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## President Mills recovers

*Mills overcomes prostate cancer and prepares for a successful academic year*

by Evan Kohn  
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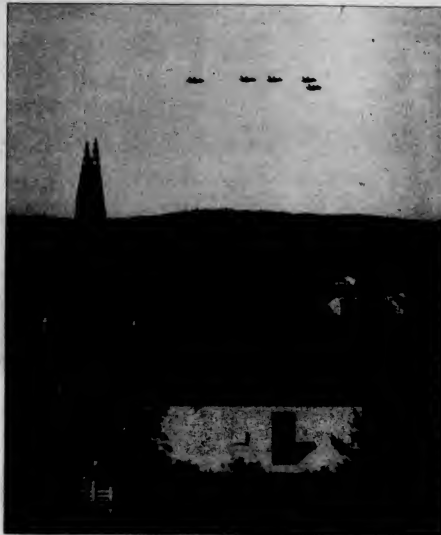
President Barry Mills has been told he is healthy and cancer-free. After a March 15 prostate cancer diagnosis, Mills underwent surgery this summer to remove the cancer. Beyond the necessary recovery period he took after the procedure, Mills does not expect any further health-related setbacks in his schedule.

After a thunderous applause at Convocation following his announcement of good health, Mills said, "I want to assure you that I have the strength, energy, enthusiasm, and resolve to work with all of you to lead our College as we sustain our path for excellence into the future."

In fact, Mills traveled all the way to Hong Kong for Bowdoin business earlier this week.

"One of the amazing things about prostate cancer is that many options are available to deal with it, and new ones are invented everyday," Mills said. "I talked to a lot of physicians, did a lot of investigation, I made my choice and for me it seems to have been the right choice."

## Blue Angels roar overhead



Evan Kohn, Bowdoin Orient

The Blue Angels practiced their formation above the Quad yesterday afternoon. See them perform at this weekend's air show. Details, page 5.

## Students respond in Katrina's wake

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

For the seven Bowdoin students from New Orleans and a dozen others from surrounding areas, the effects of Hurricane Katrina may last a lifetime. Many members of the Bowdoin community, however, are finding themselves feeling helpless and ineffective in the wake of the natural disaster that left New Orleans and other areas of the Gulf Coast in sheer ruin last week.

"With death tolls over 1,000, at this point, you know that someone you know has been affected," Suni Vaz '09 said. Vaz, a native of Uptown New Orleans, spent her first week and a half of college wondering whether or not her 20-year-old brother ever evacuated the city.

With landlines destroyed and cell phone reception out, it took almost two weeks for Vaz to learn that her brother had reached Houston safely, leaving the family pets behind with as much food and water as he could find.

Sophomore J. Patrick Brown went through a similar period without contact with his family, who refused

to evacuate New Orleans from the start. After talking to his parents on the first night and learning that power was out, Brown went 24 hours without contact. When his parents managed to call again, they were able to tell him that the city was in "serious turmoil" before the connection cut out.

"When my uncle came to pick my parents up from the city, they wouldn't let him in without a firearm," he said. Brown's family eventually evacuated to Baton Rouge and then to Michigan, spending \$4,000 a piece on airfare.

The city they left behind is devastated, both physically and psychologically.

"Piecing the culture back together will be just as difficult as piecing back the structures and buildings," said Dean of Academic Advancement and New Orleans native Kassie Freeman.

"It's absolutely tragic," said President Barry Mills. "We have tried to reach out to our community members to let them know that we are here to support them."

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## Air station marked for closure

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

Although the sounds of military planes buzzing overhead are familiar to today's students, the skies over Bowdoin will be silent in the future.

On August 24, the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission voted 7-2 to close the Brunswick Naval Air Station (BNAS).

President George W. Bush now holds the BRAC list, which includes bases throughout the United States. Bush can choose to reject it in its entirety by September 23, though media accounts indicate that he is not expected to do so. If he accepts it, Congress may choose to reject the entire list. Otherwise, it becomes law.

Under the Department of Defense's original plan, BNAS would have stayed as an active military facility but would have been severely downsized.

Closure of BNAS will be gradual, with completion set for 2011. The P-3 Orion squadrons that currently call Brunswick home will be relocated to Jacksonville, Florida.



Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient

The Naval Air Station is scheduled for complete closure by 2011.

Brunswick will lose approximately 2,700 military personnel and more than 600 civilian positions, according to testimony given at BRAC hearings. Add thousands of dependents of military personnel, and the economic

effect of closure on the Midcoast region will be significant.

President Barry Mills said the impact extends to Bowdoin.

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## Class of 2009 now part of Bowdoin community

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

After receiving a record number of applications last spring, the College has successfully matriculated the most diverse class in its history, said Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Richard Steele.

With an unprecedented 5,026 applicants to consider, the Office of Admissions accepted more students this past April than in recent years, resulting in the size of the first year class increasing from 471 to 478 students.

To accommodate the increased number of first years during the renovations of Hyde and Appleton halls (see related story, page 3), the College recently constructed two new first-year dormitories on the corner of College and South Streets.

The dorms, tentatively called East

Hall and West Hall, will be formally named in the near future. Last spring, the Board of Trustees voted to name one of the new dorms in honor of Bernard Osher '48, a Maine native and philanthropist whose San Francisco-based foundation collaborates with universities across the country to increase the quality of education available to adults. Osher has been a generous contributor to the College.

No decision has yet been reached as to the name of the second dorm. "There may be other important alums we may want to name the building after, other historical figures we might want to name the building after—it's too early to say," President Barry Mills said. "This is about people who care about the college, it is not about money."

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### Features

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Readers may notice changes in this year's first issue of the Orient. Most notably, the newspaper will now be printing two additional color pages in the center of the paper.

The Opinion section, previously in the middle of the paper, can now be found in the back. This allows for artful photos in the A&E section to be printed in color.

The change also creates additional distance between news and

opinion, highlighting the Orient's commitment to balanced and unbiased reporting in its news pages.

After years of printing with the Brunswick Time Record, the Orient established a new printing agreement with Augusta's Central Maine Newspapers, the publisher of The Kennebec Journal.

The Orient continues to be designed by the editors with the computer program Quark Xpress on Thursday nights, though the

page files will now be sent digitally to the Central Maine Newspapers when they are ready for print.

Finally, an official editorial board will now be responsible for the content of the weekly editorial in the Opinion section.

The editorial board will consist of the Orient's two editors-in-chief and its managing editor, and each editorial will represent the majority view of the editorial board.

# Hurricane leaves Gulf Coast devastated; Bowdoin students dive into action

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Despite the immense scale of the disaster, many are trying to remain optimistic and consider possibilities for advancement in the Gulf Coast.

"It's very hard to see this as an opportunity," said Bowdoin Adjunct Professor of Environmental Studies and former Director of City Planning in New Orleans Kristina Ford in an interview with the Orient.

"You have to clench your fist, because so much suffering has gone on. Nature has created a situation that maybe we can use to rebuild with nature, not against it. This is an opportunity to make the city a little more rational."

New Orleans officials have announced that they will implement forced evacuations of the 10,000 people left living in the city, according to the New York Times. Once the city has been completely abandoned, officials may be able to implement a plan of action that will prevent future storms from leaving such lasting effects.

Ford suggested that "we move everyone into temporary housing, fill in all the land as high as the French Quarter, and then rebuild. It would have been impossible to suggest this when I was planning director, but here's the opportunity."

Likewise, the hurricane brought media attention to pre-existing inter-

nal problems in New Orleans that had been repeatedly overlooked before.

With organizations nationwide providing relief, New Orleans citizens hope to see an improvement in the standard of life during reconstruction and beyond.

"The public school system in New Orleans is nothing to be envious about," first year Aliya Sabharwal said. "This could be an opportunity to make real change."

Bowdoin announced last Friday that it will be donating \$30,000 to three historically black colleges located in the Gulf Coast area that were affected by the storm. Tougaloo College in Jackson, Mississippi, and

and their families.

In addition to Bowdoin College's official plan of action, student groups on campus have collaborated in an effort to raise money for the Red Cross and other organizations that provide immediate relief to hurricane refugees.

In conjunction with the CSRC, members of Habitat for Humanity, Circle K, Residential Life, and the African American Society have joined forces to create a project entitled "12 Days of Attention: 12 Months of Impact."

The 12 Days of Attention includes a clothing drive for the families of Bowdoin students, silent reflection in the chapel, and faculty discussions on the social and physical implications of Katrina. Although the 12 days conclude with Common Good Day, Bowdoin community members hope to see this level of awareness and action lasting for months to come.

With an extensive seven-year history in New Orleans city planning, Ford is anxious to join the rebuilding effort.

"They don't need me now. What I'm hoping is that when someone realizes there needs to be a new plan, they will think of me. I would then be on the next plane."

Until then, Ford strongly encourages students to contribute to agencies that can provide immediate relief. "Right now, that's what people need. Some people showed up in

Mississippi resident Munny Munford '07 kicked off the 12 Days of Attention by performing at last night's benefit concert at Quinby House.



Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient

Houston without shoes. [The Red Cross] is an organization used to dealing with distress."

Other Maine schools have responded in different ways, with the University of Maine System offering in-state tuition and a waived-application process for displaced students, and Bates College offering free tuition for the fall semester. Although Bowdoin will not match such offers,

the College urges its faculty and students to remember the members of the Bowdoin community who have been most personally affected.

"One of the reasons I came to Bowdoin is that I know I'll be spending the rest of my life in New Orleans," sophomore Will Hales said. "I'll do anything for that city."

James Baumberger and Evan Kohn contributed to this report.

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# Bowdoin first in food, sixth overall

by James Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

For the second year in a row, Bowdoin increased its ranking in the *U.S. News & World Report* survey of the nation's best liberal arts colleges.

The College also reclaimed its position as the top food service in the United States, according to *The Princeton Review*.

With an overall score of 91, Bowdoin tied for sixth with Pomona College in the *U.S. News* rankings. Last year Bowdoin and Davidson College shared the seventh spot and a combined score of 89.

In an interview with the Orient, President Barry Mills expressed his pleasure that the *U.S. News* recognized Bowdoin for its excellence and underscored the importance of the rankings to the College.

"I think the rankings are clearly important and must be taken regard of," he said. "Parents and students who are thinking about Bowdoin pay attention to the rankings."

Released last month, the rankings named Williams College the premier liberal arts institution, with Amherst College a close second. Colby and Bates colleges came in 20th and 21st, respectively.

The College's peer assessment score and the percentage of first-year students from the top ten percent of their high school class increased from the previous year. The average peer assessment—based on an evaluation of Bowdoin by administrators of other schools—rose to 4.4 from 4.3 in 2004.

Bowdoin's faculty resources rank of 38th continued to be the College's weak link in the survey. The rank consists of various criteria including faculty compensation, student-faculty ratio, and class sizes. Of the top nine schools listed in the survey, Bowdoin's student-faculty ratio, at 10 to 1, is the highest.

Mills questioned whether the high ratio lessens the value of a Bowdoin education.

"It's not at all clear," he said, "that in order to be an excellent place one needs to have a student-to-faculty ratio of less than 10 to 1."



Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient

With Bowdoin food once again ranked number one in the nation after a brief fall to number two, the lines for the salad bar are busy at Moulton.

Mills also pointed to the young average age of faculty members at Bowdoin as a factor in lowering our faculty resources score.

"Although our faculty are paid very, very competitively in terms of total compensation, the fact that many of them are younger than in some other institutions has a negative effect on the rankings," he said.

*U.S. News* also recognized Bowdoin for its economic diversity. The College ranked ninth in a list of liberal arts schools with the highest percentage of Pell Grant recipients. Currently, 13 percent of Bowdoin students receive the grants.

Despite Bowdoin's annual tuition of 41,660 dollars, it was ranked the 11th best value among liberal arts colleges based on both the quality of the school and the generosity of its financial program.

While Mills acknowledged that some schools may manipulate school policy to increase their standing in the rankings, he maintained that Bowdoin avoids such practices.

"I'm neither leading nor managing Bowdoin on a day to day basis to increase our *U.S. News* ranking,"

he said. "What I'm doing is leading the College in a way that makes us the best place we can be. To the extent that raises us in *U.S. News*, that's great."

Bowdoin also fluctuated in *The Princeton Review's* recently-released "Best 361 Colleges" rankings. The College moved up to first in the *Review's* list of schools with the best campus food.

While the campus administration maintained its 19th spot on the list that recognizes schools that "run like butter," Bowdoin fell from 10th to 16th in the "Dorms like palaces" category, and altogether dropped off the list for "Best quality of life."

The *Princeton Review*, whose rankings are based on unscientific surveys of student opinion, formally surveys each campus every three years.

According to Senior Editor Lisa Marie Rovito, the 2003-2004 school year was the last time that the *Review* surveyed Bowdoin students.

As a result, this year's rankings changes are predominantly due to changing opinion at schools other than Bowdoin.

Evan Kohn contributed to this report.

# Campus construction abounds this autumn

Having just completed East and West Halls, the College tackles four new projects this year

by Alec Schley  
CONTRIBUTOR

This semester, porta-potties and power drills replace the sight and sounds of "whispering pines and campus fair" at Bowdoin. The campus has been transformed into an enormous construction site, as the Walker Art Building, Hyde and Appleton Halls, and the former Curtis Pool Building are being renovated at the same time.

All of the projects are proceeding on schedule, with the art museum scheduled for completion in the winter of 2007, the concert hall at the Curtis Pool site for the spring of 2007, and the final renovation of the six first-year Bricks by the end of 2006 at the latest.

The simultaneous construction and renovation of these projects is the culmination of 20-plus years of planning and development.

"The art museum renovation has been a subject for discussion since the mid-1980s, with many designs considered and many efforts at fund-raising," said Senior Vice-

President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer, Catherine Longley.

Last year, the Board of Trustees committed to the current architectural design by Machado and Silvetti of Boston and authorized construction.

"Much of the renovation has to do with providing climate control and preserving our outstanding art collection," Longley said. "One of the issues with timing was to make sure that we could hold commencement at the Walker steps next May."

The concert hall has been in development for the past eight years, with the initial stages of design by the Boston firm William Rawn Associates. Two major donors helped the project pick up speed, and the final design for the building should be coming out shortly. Once the design of the building has been selected, contractors will begin the interior demolition of the Curtis Pool building. The renovated building will feature a 300-seat concert hall with impressive acoustics and several practice rooms.

The renovation of first-year dormitories has been under consideration decades, according to Longley.

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# Warrant issued for Brunswick man's arrest

by Alec Schley  
CONTRIBUTOR

Inn in Brunswick and has a long history of harassing young women from the front seat of his car.

"Collier would drive up to women at night and ask for directions," said Assistant Director of Security Louann Dustin-Hunter.

"He would then pretend that he did not hear them or understand them and ask the women to come closer to the car," she said.

"He would then turn on the overhead light in the car and if the women got close enough, they would see that he was exposing himself."

Although Collier has not been seen on campus since his warning was issued, Dustin-Hunter urged students to take sensible precautions.

To reduce the risk of an encounter, Security recommends traveling in groups of two or more, limiting paths to lighted walkways, and contacting Security or the police immediately after an incident occurs.

"Collier has not returned to Bowdoin College as far as we know, but it is always best to be ever vigilant. By getting the word and picture out about Collier, Bowdoin Security is confident that it will be much more difficult for Collier to return to this area," Dustin-Hunter said.

The Brunswick Police Department has issued an arrest warrant for Jeremy David Collier after he was forbidden from stepping foot on any Bowdoin properties.

The original warning was issued in response to an incident on Friday, August 26, at which time Collier drove up next to two female Bowdoin students and asked them to walk to his car, a 2001 Pontiac Sebring, Maine license plate number 9528LD, according to the Department of Security.

When the two students would not come closer, he drove off but continued to peruse the outskirts of campus, Security said.

A security officer noticed the car driving around campus and took down the license plate number. After one of the accosted students telephoned Security to report their encounter with Collier, Security called the Brunswick Police Department. The police then located Collier downtown and issued him the criminal trespass warning. Since then, the police have issued a warrant for his arrest.

Collier, 27, works at the Parkwood

# BOWDOIN BRIEFS

## Lighted crosswalks offer safer routes for pedestrians

The Town of Brunswick and the College collaborated this summer to install three lighted crosswalks on Maine Street. With the push of a button, flashing yellow lights built into the street warn traffic of the crossing pedestrian. The crosswalks, found near Page Street, College Street, and Longfellow Avenue, provide a safer alternative for students traversing campus after dark.

## Slur promptly removed from Bowdoin web site

An ethnic slur has been removed from a page in a series of city guides offered online though Bowdoin's Career Planning Center. The guides, intended to inform alumni about living conditions in a variety of U.S. cities, were written by unnamed students and edited by

school officials before being published, according to the Washington Post. The guide describing the Greater Portland area warned readers that "unpopular suburbs include Old Orchard Beach, unless you are a dirty French Canadian." Once noticed, the slur was promptly removed and President Mills issued a public apology.

Nevertheless, Robert MacMillan of washingtonpost.com still wrote, "Finding that product at one of the schools often ranked in the top 10 list of liberal arts colleges by *U.S. News & World Report* is somewhat distressing."

## College houses report multiple accounts of larceny

Laptop computers and iPods valued at 4,350 dollars were taken from several different rooms at Ladd House last week. The same night, DVDs and cash were reported stolen from

Heimreich House, and on September 2, a canoe was stolen off the top of a vehicle parked on Longfellow Street.

With larceny rates high, Security reminds students to keep their rooms. **Student political leaders fill positions for their parties**

Two Bowdoin seniors were elected to the leadership of the nation's major national political parties this summer.

In June, the College Republican National Committee elected Dan Schuberth '06 to the position of Secretary.

The College Democrats of America elected Alex Cornell du Houx '06 to the position of Director of Development at its national convention in July.

Both students have previously held leadership positions in their respective Bowdoin organizations and state organizations.

—Compiled by Anne Riley

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## Construction brings inconvenience, noise

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"With the construction of the two new dorms on South Street, we can now begin the process of emptying the older dorms and renovating them." The newly renovated Bricks will be compliant to standards set out in the Americans with Disabilities Act and will consist of both doubles and quads.

Many students are baffled, overwhelmed, and annoyed by the construction on campus and the many interruptions it brings to their everyday routines. "It's pretty inconvenient," Evan Fensterstock '06 said. "The Quad is half the size it used to be and the campus doesn't feel as open around Hubbard," he said.

Despite inconveniences, the college is working rapidly to make navigating the campus easier this semester. The hole in the Quad will be filled in the next several days and a new sidewalk will be put in front of the museum in the next three weeks.

Others felt that they were given no warning for the projects and worried that the cost of the construction may result in higher tuition. "I just feel like we had no explanation, and I'm wondering how they're paying for it, especially since they raised tuition last year," Anna Kosovsky '08 said.

College officials, however, say that such fears regarding tuition are



Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient

Renovations all over campus have moved students off their usual gathering ground on the Quad and back indoors for some peace and quiet.

unfounded. "With the exception of annual debt service payments, capital projects such as the Art

Construction is proceeding on schedule, with the art museum scheduled for completion in the winter of 2007, the concert hall in the spring of 2007, and the final renovation of the six first-year Bricks by the end of 2006 at the latest.

Museum, Concert Hall, and Bricks renovation are funded separately from the College's operating budget."

The Art Museum project is funded by the endowment, gifts, and debt. The Concert Hall is being funded by gifts and grants, and the renovation of the Bricks is being funded by debt. Bowdoin has access to low interest rate bonds thanks to its excellent credit rating.

"While we can't predict next year's tuition, these projects do not impose a financial burden on the College," Longley said.

## Mills conquers cancer with the support of the College community

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After the June 13 surgery, Mills lost weight and was not allowed to exercise for six weeks. Since then, he has started exercising and playing tennis. He is now gaining his weight back, and will be monitored by blood tests for the next few years.

"I think it's fair to say my energy level is perceived on campus as above-average," Mills said. "I may not be at my peak, but I'm getting there."

His wife, Karen Gordon Mills, agreed.

"He is quite well, and almost back to full strength," she said.

According to College Physician and Director of Health Services Dr. Jeff Benson, the surgery Mills underwent—a radical prostatectomy—takes three to four hours and patients usually stay in the hospital for three to four days afterward.

"As a treatment for cancer that has not spread beyond the prostate gland, radical prostatectomy is curative well over 90 percent of the time, depending on tumor cell type," said Benson.

Mills and his family were far from alone in the cancer-fight, however. Asked about the student body's support, Mills said, "The students were fantastic."

His wife shared his appreciation. "We are grateful for the warmth and

support of everyone at the College through this process. It has made a huge difference," said Karen Mills.

Bowdoin Student Government President DeRay McKesson '07 took the lead in cheering up Mills after his surgery.

"I told him that he would receive a gift every day until he came back to work. There were about 20 students who helped out during the summer to make gifts for him."

From then on, for every day of the summer, Mills received cards, poems, or even tickets to the movies. "Toward the end of the summer, I had to say, 'Look, I'm fine!'" Mills said.

Karen Gordon Mills

One Saturday evening, McKesson and 11 students showed up at Mills's house to sing a cappella "Build Me Up Buttercup," "Ain't No Mountain High Enough," and "Lean on Me."

"That was one of the most fun," said McKesson.

In his convocation speech, Mills gave particular mention to the personal concert, and said, "There I sat in my rocking chair surrounded by Bowdoin students singing away. Our guests immediately understood what is so special about this College and community."

James Baumberger contributed to this report.

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## New dorms house first class ever



Mike Ardolino, Bowdoin Orient

First-year residents of East and West Halls know the perks of living in brand new dorms, including study and lounge areas built into the layouts.

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East and West halls, which house 100 and 101 students respectively, offer a variety of sustainable elements to their residents. The new dorms include a geothermal heating and cooling system and rely heavily on natural lighting.

Beyond East and West halls' sustainable aspects, the physical layouts of the dorms themselves attempt to foster a community aspect that the older bricks do not. Both dorms are wheelchair-accessible and equipped with furnished lounges and study areas, and, unlike any of the other first-year dorms, East Hall boasts a full kitchen.

Despite the evident benefits of living in the new dorms, other aspects of East and West halls have been less than welcome. For all of Orientation, East Hall residents found themselves without hot water. With no laundry room installed in East to date, 201 first years and proctors have found themselves competing over a limited number of washers and dryers in West Hall.

Some classmates in the Bricks wonder whether East and West Hall residents find themselves feeling isolated.

"I love being on the Quad," Winthrop Hall resident Kristen Gunther '09 said. "I'm right in the middle of all the activity and close to all of my classes. Putting first years in a central location is a great way to orient them to their surroundings."

However, the most frustrating thing about the new dorms, according to residents, is the lack of dorm loyalty that seems to exist in the other first-year residence halls.

"Every dorm on campus has some sort of history or tradition to it, and it is up to the members of the Class of 2009 to start the traditions for the new dorms," Proctor Ian Haight '08 of East Hall said.

Geographically diverse both on campus and throughout the world, the first years hail from 39 states and the District of Columbia. This year has also seen a two percent decline in the number of New Englanders enrolled at Bowdoin.

The first-year class is more diverse than any class in Bowdoin history. It includes 132 students of color and international students from 21 countries.

"When I took my protees to matriculation, Barry Mills asked to see how many of them were from Massachusetts or Boston," Haight said. "He was amazed when no one raised their hand."

International students from four continents also join the new group of first years, with a total of 21 international students in the culturally rich class. The class includes citizens of Bangladesh, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Korea, Myanmar, Singapore, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the UK, and Zimbabwe.

This year, Bowdoin also welcomes its most racially diverse class to date, with 132 students of color admitted

from 710 minority applications. Steele attributes this increase of interest to the success of the Bowdoin Invitational and Bowdoin Experience, two weekend programs designed to welcome students to welcome students of color who are considering applying to the College.

"A very large number of those students follow through with an application," Steele said. "We've also been building up with a number of referral agencies outside of New England, especially in the South, that give us the names of outstanding students and leaders in their communities and schools."

The Class of 2009 finds itself unique in yet another way—56 percent of the class is female. This shift is evident on other campuses as well. "Many more women are coming out of high school," Steele said. "They are not drawn into the military or unions as much as men. Plus there's a trend for men to gravitate towards large universities."

Steele is not concerned with the dramatic increase in female enrollment. "We want the best and brightest students and we've been pleased with the students coming through our doors," he said.

Some first years are pleased as well.

"I've been most impressed by the strong sense of community at Bowdoin," Gunther said. "While most colleges advertise it, Bowdoin has it."

James Baumberger and Evan Kohn contributed to this report.

## BNAS closure raises concerns for Brunswick

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"Brunswick has been a Navy and college town," he said in an interview with the Orient. "It will become a college town and will require us to recognize our responsibility in greater ways than we have in the past."

Mills said the College does not currently have plans in place to try to acquire portions of the base.

"Clearly, it could be advantageous for us to be able to acquire, for a variety of uses, land that might be available at some point in the future," he said.

"The idea that we would be building that

far away is something that I think is future Bowdoin," Mills said. "You always have to think about future Bowdoin. But I do not think it is a tomorrow Bowdoin."

Mills said that he has offered the College's creative expertise to Governor John Baldacci, who is setting up a redevelopment board at the state level, and to local officials, who are creating a local redevelopment authority. The College was not directly involved in lobbying for the base to stay open, but has asked that someone intimate with Bowdoin's concerns be placed on both redevelopment bodies.

Mills does not yet know who will represent the College. He indicated that it could be a trustee or former trustee, but no decisions have been made.

Speaker of the House John Richardson represents Brunswick in the Maine House of Representatives. He is supportive of Bowdoin's involvement in the base's redevelopment.

"I envision the College and campus playing a key role," he said in a state-

jobs depend on the base.

"An economic downturn in the area—though it may be temporary in nature—first and foremost affects those who are 'living on the edge' in this community, who are in fact more numerous than most students would know," she wrote in an email

interview. "Very quickly, a working family can find themselves unable to pay the rent."

Dorn said that by supporting organizations like the Tedford Shelter, community members can do something now to help residents who may need assistance in the future.

Two other Maine military facilities were given good news by the BRAC

Commission. The Commission removed the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery from the closure list. Had the shipyard closed, more than 4,000 people would have lost their jobs. The Defense Finance and Accounting Service office in Limestone was originally slated for closure. The BRAC Commission chose to keep the facility open and double the size of its staff to nearly 600 people.

James Baumberger and Evan Kohn contributed to this report.

### EVENT BOX

Great State of Maine Airshow  
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## New arrivals at Bowdoin

Randall Nichols,  
Director of Security

Nichols replaces former Director of Security Bruce Boucher just one week after retiring from the Maine State Police after 27 years of service. Boucher is now the Chief of the Rockland Police Department.

Prior to his career in law enforcement, Nichols worked as a radio announcer in Augusta, an interest he hopes to incorporate into his new position.

A jazz and classic rock enthusiast, Nichols hopes to DJ a show on WBOR that will not only feature John Coltrane, Miles Davis, and others, but also serve as a venue to discuss health and safety related issues.

"It will be fun, a way to spill out information and to keep safety in the eyes and ears of the students," Nichols said.

"I'll bring in real experts in the field, and also students. Students have great insights. Others can learn from them," he said.

Stacy Jones '00,

Director of First Year and  
Multicultural Student  
Programs

After graduating from Bowdoin in 2000, Jones left the College for four years to work in a Supplemental Education program in Chicago before returning as Director of Multicultural Affairs in 2004.

A mentor to the Af-Am house and POSSE, Jones has worked with students to coordinate events, including last year's MLK Day of Service, a program that brought together Southern Maine high school students facing various barriers, financial or otherwise, that may have prevented them from attending college.

Jones enjoys the flexibility of her new position. "Unlike other deans, my students are not split up based on alphabet," Jones said. "I get to work with students across the board."

Kim Pacelli '98,

Director of Residential Life

An Interim Director of Residential Life who filled in after Bob Graves' departure in 2004, Pacelli was officially appointed in April. Pacelli worked as Assistant Director of Res Life from 2000-2002 before earning her Master's in Education at Harvard University. Pacelli, a Government and Legal Studies major while at Bowdoin, has also worked as a congressional staffer and at the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, D.C.

This year, she and her staff are focused on "trying to work much more closely with the College Houses to better support their programming and all that they do as leaders at Bowdoin. So far the year is off to a great start [with] an excellent Res Life staff training and College House orientation, and we're excited to see so much good energy at Bowdoin."

—Compiled by Dan Hackett

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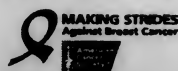
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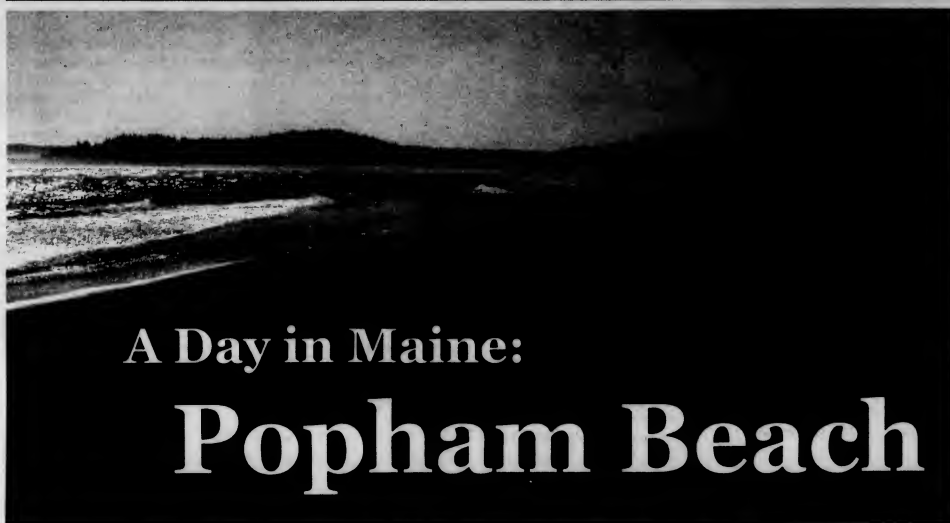
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## A Day in Maine: Popham Beach

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Imagine a long, white-sand beach, a brilliant blue sky, and a gentle breeze on weekday afternoon in late summer. A very old man—probably at least 85 or 90—his face creased by years of weather, walks along the beach. He has a well-trimmed white moustache, and, as he trudges along the hard-packed sand, there is a faint smile on his face. His gait is determined, but not stoic. He wears a loose red-and-white checkered button-down shirt that, mostly unbuttoned, flaps in the breeze against his sand-colored khakis. His stride is distinct, feet dragging slightly, which leaves a unique footprint pattern in the sand. It takes many minutes, but the old man covers a lot of ground—at least a mile—and eventually disappears around a bend.

A man and woman appear, going in the opposite direction. From a distance, one might mistake them for teenage sweethearts, but this man and woman are most certainly middle-aged. Wedding rings glint on their fingers. They walk arm-in-arm for a few steps. The foamy surf flickering at their feet. The man whispers something in his wife's ear and she is seized by hysterical, uncontrollable laughter. The couple stops walking. Giggling, the woman begins to tickle her husband, who suddenly joins her in laughter so intense they both gasp for air. After a moment, the couple recovers, walking along the beach again, toward the late afternoon sun. They put their arms around each other, but cannot seem to get close enough. Eventually, they give up walking and just embrace, the surf lightly lapping at their ankles.

A little girl in an oversize maroon t-

shirt kneels at the water's edge, building a sandcastle under the watchful eye of an older woman, her grandmother perhaps, who constantly reminds her not to go any further into the water. It is prudent advice, as there is often a strong undertow in the waters off Popham. Prudent or not, the grandmother's nagging is too much for the little girl. She splashes her grandmother, who is mightily displeased and has no qualms about sharing her feelings. Loudly. The little girl splashes her again. The grandmother stops scolding, perhaps shocked by the cold water and then, suddenly, lightly splashes the little girl. After a moment they are both all wet and all smiles.

Certainly Popham attracts such a diverse crowd because people find it pleasant to spend a day at the beach, sunbathing, reading, swimming, walking, or kayaking. But there is some-

thing intangible and wonderful that draws them to this three-mile-long beach in Phippsburg, Maine. The sea air breezes with a sense of clarity and vitality. Popham is an amazing place that seems to have the capacity to magically transport almost anyone into a calm, serene state.

Popham Beach State Park is 529 acres of natural beauty, including about three miles of sandy beach on the Atlantic Ocean. The beach is situated between the mouth of the Kennebec River and the mouth of the Morse River. Popham's unique geographic form allows one, at low tide, to walk out to sandbars and even a nearby Fox Island. The mounting tide must be carefully watched by those who venture out, lest one become stranded.

Sunsets at Popham Beach are often

Please see POPHAM, page 7

## Popham in Brief

### Weather

The National Weather Service forecasts a lovely weekend. Both Saturday and Sunday will be mostly sunny with high temperatures in the low 70s. Nighttime lows are forecast to be in the mid 50s. A light breeze can be expected for the duration of the weekend.

### History

In 1607, Popham Beach was the site of an early English outpost in the "New World."

More than a century later, in 1775, traitor Benedict Arnold commenced his march to Quebec, Canada from Popham Beach.

In 1881, Fort Popham was built near the beach.

Source: Encyclopedia Britannica

### Directions

Popham Beach State Park is a 40 minute drive from Bowdoin. To get there, take Route 1 north about 7.5 miles to the Phippsburg exit. Take a right and follow Route 209 for about 14 miles. Be sure to stay on 209; you will have to make a left and then a right when you get within a few miles of the beach. The signage on the way to the beach is clear.

## Dr. Jeff: Welcome to Dudley Coe Health Center

### Ask Dr. Jeff

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
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Dear Students: Welcome to Bowdoin 2005-2006 from all of us in the Health Services!

In this, my first column of the new year, I wanted to review some of our programs and services and write a little about our sense of mission here at Dudley Coe.

The Health Center staff is happy to see you for a broad spectrum of primary and acute care needs. We see students by appointment. More urgent medical needs are always scheduled for same-day appointments. Especially urgent needs are always treated, well, urgently! Routine physical exams, GYN exams, allergy shots, and travel consultations may be scheduled a few days out. If you want to make an appointment, please call us at x3770, or stop by in person.

All of the care we offer at the Health Center is free to you. Whether you have the new Bowdoin health insurance plan or are covered under your parents' plan, you'll have unlimited access to all of the services offered at the Health Center and



the Counseling Center, free of charge. Your insurance policy will cover visits to outside providers and the emergency room, as

well as most of the send-out lab tests we may order for you. Pap tests, pregnancy tests, and STD tests for both women and men, including HIV testing, are all paid for by us; to protect your privacy, they will not be billed to your Bowdoin or your family insurance.

While we are all getting used to the new insurance plans, please bring in your insurance card when you come in to see us. It will help us with the paperwork!

Our in-house, formulary prescription medications are dispensed to students free of charge. Our formulary includes over thirty of the most commonly prescribed medications—from antibiotics to generic Prozac to the Emergency Contraceptive Plan B. We also have three top brands of Birth Control Pills (Cyclessa, Desogen, and Mircette) and the vaginal ring (Nuvaring) in our formulary, all available to you free of charge.

Prescriptions for non-formulary medications can be filled at a number of nearby community pharmacies.

Once again, we have a supply of

liquid nitrogen, for freezing warts, etc., and we'll continue to offer minor office surgery for moles and "lumps and bumps."

Our Self-Care Room is up and running, and in it you'll find the information, diagnostic tools, and remedies to evaluate and treat—by yourselves—some of your more common ailments. You can also help yourself to a variety of condoms.

We're able to offer all students free tetanus, pneumonia and chicken pox vaccines. In addition, Hepatitis B, Polio and Measles/Mumps/Rubella vaccinations are free for students 18 years of age or younger. Travel vaccines and the meningitis vaccine are available at cost, and flu vaccine should be available soon at a nominal cost.

Dr. Avery, from Orthopedic Associates in Portland, will be here again this year on Monday and Wednesday mornings for orthopedic consultations. Mona Alley, R.D./L.D., will be coming to the Health Center on Tuesday mornings for nutrition consultations.

We are eager, as always, to advertise our smoking cessation support efforts. If you're thinking about quitting smoking, want to learn more about your options, or want to help someone else out who may be thinking of quitting, come on in!

We are also eager to hear back

from you about your needs and concerns, and about how well (or not!) we are meeting them. Please feel free to contact any of us by email or phone, or stop by to chat. We will also be starting back up our Health Center Student Advisory Group to address these questions longitudinally.

The "Student Guide to Student Health Services at Bowdoin" has been distributed through Residential Life, and we have extra copies if you need one. The guide, written for students by the Student Advisory Group, includes answers to your FAQ's about health care and health issues on campus.

Let me say a few words about our sense of mission in the Health Services. Before coming to Bowdoin, most of you were likely cared for by pediatricians, and likely under your parents' direct and attentive supervision. You might not have had the opportunity to develop independent provider-patient relationships of your own. You might not have needed to be responsible for pursuing your own health care, and you might not have even been expected to understand your own health needs.

This is exactly what we would like to offer you: the opportunity to take charge of your own health care and

needs with as much support, information, good advice, and guidance as we can muster.

In providing health care services on campus, we try to emphasize health promotion and disease prevention. We offer preventive exams and vaccinations, sponsor health education programs, and treat acute and chronic illnesses. We hope to help you gain access to the information, resources and services you'll want in order to understand your own health needs, to pursue your own health care, and to promote and sustain your own well-being.

Finally, there's this, my weekly column in the Orient. It is meant to provide an open forum for discussion about any questions or concerns you might have related to health care, public health, preventive medicine, health policy, Health Center services, or any other issues involving health or wellness. Please feel free to email me with any of these questions or comments. If published, they would be printed anonymously, but our discussion might benefit the whole community.

Salud! To a great year together!

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center



# A Look Back

Clippings from the Archives

# Bowdoin Orient.

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Years Ago

From the Orient's first issue of the 1880-1881 academic year

## Editorial Notes

... This number of the Orient welcomes the return of the students from what, we hope, has been a vacation of enjoyment, although by no means devoid of profit. As we return to our editorial duties with the determination to make all the improvement which lies in our power in our department, so that we may deserve a continuation of the support already received from our friends, we cannot help feel but that for the most part the students have, each one, returned with an equal determination to do their best to further the true interest of the college, the scholar to make this a more telling year than the last, the baseballist and boating men to see to it that nothing shall be detracted from the warm interest that for a year past has been shown for these healthful and pleasant pastimes. We now enter upon a new year of our course which, we believe, each class will find widely different from the last.

...As Freshmen you may feel that you are in reality but of little importance, but there is a better time coming and the years will pass swiftly by, as you ascend step by step up the ladder of class precedence.

To [the Sophomores] we would say we congratulate you in striving to do your part in removing the custom of hazing, which has for some time past proven such a drawback to the name of Bowdoin. ...

To the Juniors we can say but little. You have passed through the humiliations and tribulations of Freshman year and stood up nobly in the midst of Sophomore excitement and danger, and we only ask that you do not allow the fancied enjoyment of 'Junior ease' ...

As for ourselves, 'dignified Seniors,' we cannot say that we are sorry that the end is fast approaching when we shall make our farewell bow to Bowdoin, and the pleasant recollections connected with that name. ... If we are fortunate enough to make improvements upon her good record, the accomplishment itself will be sufficient reward for our exertions; if we do not attain so high a degree of success in the performance of our duties, we mean that it shall be due rather to a lack of capability and judgment than to any lack of loyalty to Old Bowdoin.

## Robert G. Stanwood

A large circle of friends has been saddened by the disappearance of Dr. Robert G. Stanwood. He went out in a dory from Bungenuck Landing, three or four miles from Brunswick, for an hour's row, on the afternoon of August 25th, and has not since been heard from. His boat, containing his hat, cane, and one oar, drifted ashore on an island opposite Yarmouth the next morning, but no other traces of him have been found. He was an excellent swimmer and thoroughly at home in the management of a boat. ... Great sympathy is felt for his family in their affliction.

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Years Ago

From the Orient's first issue of the 1905-1906 academic year

## The New Year

At the opening of the first term of the year, the college, like a knight plodding along on an extenuated journey by regular stages, with short spaces of rest between, pulls itself together, shakes itself and looks about for its opportunities for conquests and the material for accomplishing them. As the college contemplates its resources it sees old freshmen returning in large quantities and sees a new Freshman Class full of promise adding to its numbers some fourscore of bright energetic youths eager to push forward the name and cause of Old Bowdoin.

The college is to be congratulated on acquiring such a goodly bunch of strong men both in literary and athletic work. On the other hand, the entering men are to be congratulated on their choice of college, on their grasping of the opportunity to take advantage of the high line of study offered here, of a system of athletics than which none is more honorable and upright.

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Years Ago

From the Orient's first issue of the 1935-1936 academic year

**Ex Governor Baxter Welcomes Class of '34; Speech Concerning Strict Observance of Law Provokes Sharp Retort from Kenneth L. Roberts, Well Known Author; Citizenship Stressed**

On Freshmen Day, September 23, the class of 1934 was officially welcomed to the college and initiated into a few of the joys and tribulations which they will suffer here. ...

At 2.30 everybody gathered in the Lounge Room of the Union where Percival P. Baxter '98, former governor of Maine addressed the new members of the college and gave the some advice which should prove useful. Mr. Baxter said that the college is the training ground for rulers of tomorrow. Every man in college should strive to make himself a better citizen and a good citizen must obey the laws of his country. He urged support of the Prohibition Law and other laws of the college and the state. Fundamentally no one has the right to choose what laws he will obey and what laws he will disobey. ...

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Years Ago

From the Orient's first issue of the 1955-1956 academic year

## 154th College Year Starts...

On Monday morning, September 19, some 215 freshmen started registering as Bowdoin College began its 154th academic year. All members of the incoming class signed the matriculation book in the office of President James S. Coles. ...

Represented in this year's entering class are sixteen states and three foreign countries. ...

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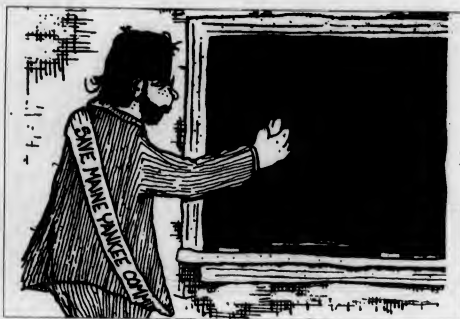
Years Ago

From the Orient's first issue of the 1980-1981 academic year

## 'Fine tuning' to emphasize limiting new expenditures

Despite the ever-pressing threat of inflation, Bowdoin officials believe that a thorough trimming of the budget is feasible this year without any major cutbacks of either programs or operations.

Anticipated savings from such 'fine-tuning' of programs should run to \$647,000 for the 1980-1981 academic year.



A 1980 Orient cartoon lambasts Professor William Hughes for filming, on campus, a political ad in favor of Maine Yankee nuclear power plant.



From page 2 of the September 28, 1965 issue of The Bowdoin Orient: an advertisement for Camel cigarettes. According to the ad, "More people get more pure pleasure from Camels than from any other cigarette." The Orient no longer publishes ads of this nature.

## A Day in Maine: Popham Beach

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fantastic shows of color and fading light. As the sun sets, shades of red, purple, and orange streaks of luminous color lay across the palette of a darkening sky. The full extent of the western sky is almost completely visible from certain parts of the beach, and one can watch the glowing orb of the sun slowly disappear behind a small line of perennially-green trees. After the sun sinks below the horizon, the sky's remaining light quickly fades. Soon, the stars and the planets fill the heavens. Due to the lack of light pollution at Popham, the universe beyond earth is particularly vivid. With the sound of the lapping

waves and the view of the luminous night sky, it is hard not to feel serenity.

The sun rising out of the ocean at Popham Beach is an exceptionally beautiful sight as well. A completely unobstructed view of the eastern sky makes for a dawn that leaves one filled with awe.

Popham is worth visiting in all seasons—its beauty is visible during more than just the warm summer months. On frigid winter days when snow covers the sand, the beach is deserted. The rare soul who ventures to Popham in the middle of winter finds 529 acres of exquisite beauty in perfect isolation.

It is late in the afternoon. The waning sunlight glimmers off a frothy sea. The tide comes in. The old man's footprints slowly fade away.

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## A capella groups set tone for the year



Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient

Members of the a cappella group BOKA did a rendition of Michael Jackson's "Thriller" last Sunday. Other a cappella groups including the Meddiebempsters, the Longfellows, Miscellania, and Ursus Verses also performed.

## Carrell's talent laid bare as lead in *Virgin*

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

For years, he blended in quietly with the Daily Show's stock of eyebrow-raising, stone-faced pseudo-journalists, dwarfed by the imposing genius of Jon Stewart. Through no fault of his own, he suffered NBC's ill-conceived attempt to repackaging British humor and sell it to a broad American market with *The Office*. He achieved minor cult status as Brick Tamland in *Anchorman*, but still seemed to be treading water in a sea of one-dimensionality. Needless to say, I assumed that he was more suited to supporting a more versatile lead actor than supporting an entire movie.

I'll be the first to admit that I underestimated Steve Carrell.

In *The 40 Year Old Virgin*, Carrell plays Andy Stitzer, a quiet, polite, straight-laced employee at an electronics outlet who doesn't own a car and rides his bike to and from an apartment adorned with action figures still in their original packaging. He leads a humble, familiar, and seemingly content existence. Oh, and he's never had

sex. Not once. It's not like he hasn't tried, but every sexual experience he has had with a woman has concluded abruptly and under extremely unfortunate circumstances (like him accidentally kicking her in the face). So Andy has abandoned his libido in favor of less discomfiting pursuits such as video games and collectables.

Then one night, Andy's coworkers invite him to a game of poker, and when the four of them begin exchanging tales of their sexual escapades, it becomes quickly apparent that Andy has none to speak of. For the next 70 or so minutes of the film, Andy's new friends attempt to shepherd him to the promised land, leading to a series of events that eventually result in Andy's deflowering and his buddies' ironic flirtations with celibacy.

From afar, *The 40 Year Old Virgin* seems like a predictable (what's that? Yes, of course he loses his virginity at the end), shallow, dumb movie saturated with lewd jokes and punched up with

Please see *VIRGIN*, page 10

## Lipstick Jungle explores working woman's world

by Kathryn Papanek  
CONTRIBUTOR

In an interview with The Daily Telegraph, Candace Bushnell described her new novel, *Lipstick Jungle*, as "a pretty philosophical kind of book." This statement seems to be a somewhat incongruous description of a book in which the main characters go to fashion shows, make love to underwear models on kitchen table tops, and agonize over whether or not to buy \$50,000 ponies for their children. It's an even odder statement coming from a writer whose previous work includes the sex column upon which the HBO series *Sex and the City* was based and whose earlier novels featured characters who focused mainly on marriage, men and Manolos (i. e. how they can get the second in order to afford the third).

In *Lipstick Jungle*, however, Bushnell tangles a more weighty subject: specifically, what happens when younger women like the girls in *Sex in the City* reach their forties and start to concentrate more on their jobs. Or, in other words, picture Carrie with a high-powered career.

The novel focuses on the intertwining tales of three successful fortysomething women living in

New York City, all of whom are struggling to maintain often precarious balances between their personal and professional lives. Victory Ford, a fashion designer, may have to sell the rights to her company after a disastrous fashion show. Nico O'Neilly, the editor-in-chief of Bonfire magazine, is struggling to juggle schemes and machinations in the office and her affair with a twentysomething underwear model in the bedroom.

This witty account of three New Yorkers' willingness to do anything and everything to help their careers keeps the story moving and the pages turning.

Finally, Wendy Nealy, the president of Parador Pictures, tries to produce a blockbuster movie, be a good mother to her children, and save her marriage with her dissatisfied, stay-at-home husband, Shane.

Admittedly, the novel would have benefited from a more tightly woven plot. But, as in the author's previous novels, *Four Blondes* and *Trading Up*, the point is not so much the destination but the journey. Along the way, Bushnell's insider details about the hot hangouts and more ways of New York's power set keep the reader's interest, while her witty account of these three New Yorkers' willingness to do anything and everything to help their careers keeps the story moving and the pages turning.

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## Falciglia's photos liven up lounge



Mike Ardolino, Bowdoin Orient

Tom Falciglia is used to being behind the camera rather than in front of it, but took time Sunday to pose in front of his work, which will be on view in Lancaster lounge through the month of September.

by Francis Killea  
STAFF WRITER

I wasn't quite sure who Tom Falciglia was when I got to Moulton Union to see his photo show. I guess my lack of background going into the interview led me to think I might be talking with a student, but walking into Lancaster Lounge I realized that I was the only student present. Falciglia has carried on a close relationship with the camera for over 40 years, a fact which immediately forced me to question his equipment update.

Most of Tom's photos, hung in

unique frames all around the room, are in color, and he shot all of them (and altered some of them) digitally. As a student, he learned and used all of the black-and-white darkroom techniques that most beginning photography students work with, but as technology advanced, Tom grew up too, and began to gravitate towards the digital media. His first digital camera, he said, was just two mega-pixels, compared to the 8 mega-pixel camera he uses now.

"There's a gig of storage on it—it can hold hundreds of photos," he said. His new gear is a far cry from the

film that he used as a younger man, but the transition to the digital camera was easy, he said. The cameras are convenient and of good quality, and as he prefers to shoot in color, he doesn't miss the superior clarity of a traditional silver print.

As for the digital editing programs, Falciglia said he picked up the knowledge easily by enrolling in Photoshop classes, although he marvels that even after taking the class he is surprised by how much else can be done with the program. Even with all the choices, he

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## Savor the local flavor

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNISIT

Every fall, without fail, comes the inevitable question: "so what did you do all summer?" More often than not, I'm rather embarrassed that I don't have some amazing adventure to share. This year, however, I *do* have some adventures to share, for this summer I spent my free time drinking lots of wines, attending tastings, and even visiting a fantastic vineyard. From all the fun in the sun, here are some things I learned:

1. There is an amazing vineyard less than two hours from Bowdoin. Just between Camden and Lincolnville down a random turnoff of Route 1 is the Cellardoor Winery. The winery has only been selling for three years, but they offer a wide range of wine types and grapes. The winery produces around a dozen wines ranging from two shockingly sweet wines made from Concord grapes (the pourer at the tasting recommended small cordial glasses only) to a fumoso bianco, that looks like lemonade but is actually a startlingly smoky white.

The names of the wines are kind of cutesy (e.g. Perfect Strangers and Sweetheart), but the tastes are decidedly not. Trust me, I'll be talking about these guys well into October, which is when the shop closes for the year.

2. There are excellent wines for under \$10. One of my recently graduated tasters says that there is no wine under ten dollars worth drinking. Having had my fair share

of bargain wines, I was inclined to agree. However, another of my tasters made a bet with me this summer which totally changed my mind. Like a responsible wine drinker (and mostly broke one at that) I return my wine bottles. One night my friend was with me returning a rather large collection and she bet me that there was no good wine that would cost less than the amount of money I collected from my recycling. Ever one for the challenge, I found not one but three bottles that met this criterion. The first was a Schmitt Shne Liebfrumilch for

\$4.95 on sale at Shaw's. It was, if not extraordinary, a totally acceptable version of this sweet German wine. A second bottle, Moonshine Cellars' 1994 Chardonnay became one of my all-time favorite wines and definitely my favorite white. Because it's eleven years old, it has taken on a delicious barrel flavor and almost has a portliness to it. This was a steal at \$2.99 a bottle, and I bought every

last one.

3. Shiraz is over. Honestly, after a three-year run as the hottest wine since, well I don't even know since what, maybe the 80's spritzer phase, the popularity of these drinkable but mostly unremarkable wines are on the way out. While they remain a good standby for the unadventurous and for parties, Portuguese reds will be the next hot thing. Get on the band wagon now so you can mock the latecomers.

So readers, there's what I did with my summer. Now take advantage of the light workload and get tasting.



## Choosing your brews

by Carter Thomas  
CONTRIBUTOR

**SHIPYARD PUMPKINHEAD ALE** (\$7.49 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

This autumn favorite has become a staple in the fridge of all beer lovers in recent years. Bringing with it Shipyard's patented glossy taste, this brew is best known for its "pumpkin pie" effect, essentially liquefying the heavenly dessert with some sugar and a little spice. Fellow beer consumer Stewart Stout '07 agrees by chirping, "You know, it tastes like pumpkin pie." Be warned, however, that this beer is not one to be taken lightly—indulging in more than one or two of these could ruin the entire experience given the beer's powerful taste. Thus, it should be used as a nightcap or meal companion so that it can be savored and enjoyed slowly. Though it is not altogether rare for some brave souls to attempt the excessive binge, it is not recommended, for they usually wake up with a pumpkin head. My scores: (out of 5) taste: 5, partyability: 1, cost/benefit ratio: 3

**ROLLING ROCK** (\$5.99 for a six-pack, available anywhere beer is sold)

Originating in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Rolling Rock has established itself as the smooth, "extra" pale lager. It's unforgettably green bottles set the stage for the taste, one that is unique but not overpowering, much like modern art or finely-cooked vegetables. When taking the first sip, the drinker is surprised to find that "the rock" has a great pale taste without the subtle aftertaste found in other, slightly dark-

er pale ales. Because of this, Rolling Rock is a very versatile beer. It can be consumed during a dinner (a great beer for cookouts) or during a party. Because of its attention to the "extra" in "extra pale," the bubbles seem to melt in your mouth, and not in your stomach, allowing for a less filling and more satisfying experience. Also, this is a great brew to drink when you want to look like you're classy even though you don't really spend that much money. taste: 4, partyability: 3, cost/benefit ratio: 5

**MILWAUKEE'S BEST ICE** (\$3.99 for a six-pack, available at all fine beverage centers)

As the juggernaut of all bottom shelf beers, when you buy "Beast" Ice, you mean business. Coming in at a solid 5.9 percent alcohol content, this brew packs a punch that catches most unsuspecting college students off guard. After taking his first sip, Mike Peraza '07 flatly stated, "It tastes like regular beer with pepper crushed in it." Indeed it does. But the sacrifice your taste buds make do not go unrewarded. Not only does this beer get the job done, it fails to put a huge dent in your wallet. Scott Brisson '06 put it well, saying, "It's what I buy when I'm looking to get [e]xtreme." The most popular method of purchasing Beast Ice is a keg, running around \$75-80, while 30-packs tend to be a close second. If you're buying a six-pack, you need to re-evaluate a few things. Regardless of the quantity, though, you can rest assured that everyone at the party will know it's Milwaukee's Best Ice. My scores: taste: -2, partyability: 5, cost/benefit ratio: 5

## G.C. Variety is the spice of life



Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient

The view of downtown Brunswick from inside Grand City Variety's diner is best enjoyed after a filling meal.

by Leslie Bridges  
CONTRIBUTOR

It seems impossible this early in the year, but you've overdone the Egg McMoulton. You know the legal occupant of last night's crash pad is religiously devoted to Sunday mornings at Big Top, and though you'd gladly seek anonymity buried in a Trucker's Breakfast at Brunswick Diner, your car got towed because you left it parked in the admissions lot for the third time this week. It's a perfect morning for Grand City.

Located on Maine Street across from the Move Gallery, Grand City Variety sells everything from postcards to crock pots—including diner food.

For the most part, the menu is typical: pancakes, milkshakes, eggs with potatoes and toast. There is the standard selection of unappealing entrees with descriptive words like "open-faced," and there is something about the clientele that leads me to believe that these dishes are actually popular. Lunch-goers will find an average selection of hot and cold sandwiches, as well as daily specials including both a soup and a chowder.

As the atmosphere of any variety store/diner would suggest, Grand City adds some flavor of its own. Cottage cheese makes two appearances on the menu, served with either cling peaches and cinnamon toast or grilled chicken and saltines. "The Grand," their specialty sandwich, is loaded with two beef patties, cheese sauce, and lettuce.

What finally caught my eye was

and let me know that if I didn't like the food, I was welcome to "just throw it at Bobby."

But I left Bobby as clean as any cook there. The chowder of the day was chock-full of potatoes and corn, and the base was thin and flavorful.

The food at Grand City can be described as overwhelmingly decent, but don't let that leave you underwhelmed at this eatery. Grand City is about the experience. There is something relieving about sitting in booths that have held up for decades, surrounded by silent old couples who have

*My waitress...pointed through the pick-up window at a young man in a Red Sox hat and let me know that if I didn't like the food, I was welcome to "just throw it at Bobby."*

"The Golden Cheese Dream." Though described only as "served with French fries, coleslaw, and pickles," I thought I would take my chance on the mystery concoction that I expected to be nothing less than fantastic.

It was a grilled cheese. It was good.

Though "The Dream" and its sides left me stuffed, I decided, in the name of journalism, to sack up and sample a soup. My waitress must have detected a pained look on my face, as she pointed through the pick-up window at a young man in a Red Sox hat

nothing left to say to each other and wouldn't be able to hear if they did. There is something inspiring about an 80-year-old hostess who smiles as she sports her "Cancer sucks" pin and about waitresses who make jokes to get through their days. There is something satisfying about finishing breakfast, then buying a power strip and thumbtacks without having to leave the building. It's cheaper than McDonald's; it's closer than the Diner. Don't let this year go by without adding some Variety to your breakfast routine.

## Rocking for relief: campus bands play Hurricane benefit



Mike Ardolino, Bowdoin Orient

Jamil Wyne '06, Zach Tcheyan '08 and the Day Jobs performed last night at Quinby's hurricane relief benefit





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Student artwork like, Andrea Aduna's '08 (far right painting), are on display in the VAC.

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## Former sex columnist explores a new jungle: the world of working women

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In addition to describing the high-powered careers of her three protagonists, Bushnell takes a feminist look at the sexism still ubiquitous in the upper echelons of the corporate world. At times her feminism seems heavy handed and even clumsy, as her characters again and again ask, "Would he have done this if I were a man?"

However, unlike many feminist novels that blithely set out to prove that women can do it all, Bushnell also acknowledges that fulfilling a traditionally male role leaves women open to the problems that are usually faced by men. For example, while contemplating a divorce, one of the characters realizes that because she has a full-time career she may lose custody of her children and be forced to pay her hus-

band child support.

This reversal of traditional gender roles questions not only whether the laws should be adjusted in order to avoid separating a mother and her children, but also whether these laws are fair even if the primary caregiver is a man.

In the end, readers will still probably turn to Bushnell's novel for her sex scenes and dishy gossip than her feminist philosophy. But then, that's this semester's reading lists are full of weighty novels, right? And if you're trying to decide whether to buy Dior Addict Lipstick (\$23 at [www.sephora.com](http://www.sephora.com)) or Bushnell's new novel (\$16.47 at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)), why not give *Lipstick Jungle* a try? It's a fun, feminist read and, best of all, unlike the Dior, it's guaranteed to stay on your mind (and lips) for longer than an hour.

## Photo exhibit offers a glimpse of Europe

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often uses a specific technique that makes a photograph seem painterly-like a watercolor, best exhibited in a charming photograph of a little girl on a dock in Florida.

Lancaster Lounge has become, thanks to Tom's post-retirement travels, a window to some of Europe's most beautiful landscapes. Preferring scenery to portraits, Falciglia specializes in the picturesque and lovely, including shots of Italy (taken while on a boat ride) and Denmark in the exhibit.

After speaking eagerly about his

love for travel and the way it fuels his artwork, Falciglia broke off the conversation to say goodbye to some friends who attended the well-catered reception. His show, he said, was chosen for Moulton Union after he sent in a formal portfolio that underwent a sort of audition and application process, and will be up through the month of September.

While he never made a career out of taking pictures, photography has always been a steady hobby for Falciglia, and the thoughtful compositions around the lounge reflect the great experiences he's had.

## Carrell's The 40 Year Old Virgin good the first time

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some slapstick physical comedy. And to a certain extent, that's exactly what it is. But not in a bad way. Oddly enough, Carrell and his co-stars make the dynamic work, specifically by approaching it with the sort of dry, slightly off-beat angle

that co-writer Judd Apatow used to spin the bizarre *Anchorman* script into a success.

At times, though, the movie

Andy is not a freak...he's a likeable guy, just extraordinarily haphazard in his romantic pursuits.

descends below the cutting edge of

wit and into the banal predictability typical of its genre. The chest-waxing scene, so gratuitously advertised in the trailer, is about as boring as you would expect, and it goes on

for far too long (yeah, waxing hurts, guys, we get it), and the scene where Andy's date tries to drive him home sloshed on cosmopolitans seems pulled from the b-comedy common bin in a similar way.

Still, what makes this type-comedy so fresh-seeming is the awkward, apologetic, unassuming pathos of Carrell's character. Believe it or not, Carrell and Apatow did their research, speaking to many lifetime virgins who, they found, are usually normal-seeming folks who had at one point or another simply given up on sex. Andy is not a freak. He is not ugly, or pathological, or unappealing...in fact, he's a likeable guy, just extraordinarily haphazard in his romantic pursuits. The fact is that you don't have to be a virgin to empathize with Andy and his travails with the opposite sex. Everyone has had an "Andy moment" here or there. Andy just happens to have those moments throughout most of the movie's 90 minutes. You'll find that it's pretty funny when those moments happen to people who aren't you.

*The 40 Year Old Virgin* is not perfect, but it's definitely worth your nine bucks. So go see it—it'll get better each time you do.

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# SPORTS

## Men's soccer under new leadership

by Anna Karass  
ORIENT STAFF

What began as a short "holiday" in the United States for the new Bowdoin Men's Soccer Coach, Fran O'Leary, has turned into nearly two decades of coaching and living in this country. O'Leary replaced Brian Ainscough, who recently departed Bowdoin after five successful seasons to coach at Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts.

A veteran of coaching, O'Leary brings a vast background of coaching experience to the team. O'Leary left Dublin, Ireland, in 1986 during a period of heavy emigration. He landed his first coaching job at Boston College as an assistant coach for the soccer team.

Since accepting his first position at BC, O'Leary has gathered lots of coaching experience. He got his first head coaching job at Division III Elmira College in New York. In 1992, O'Leary became head coach at Kenyon College and led the men's soccer team to the NCAA Semifinals.

He took his first Division I head coaching job at Dartmouth, where he boasted an impressive record. In 2000, the New England Intercollegiate Soccer League voted O'Leary Division I Coach of the Year.

Following seven successful seasons at Dartmouth, O'Leary moved south to coach at George Mason University before coming to Bowdoin.

O'Leary, who fondly remembers his time at Dartmouth, had little difficulty deciding to move to Brunswick with



Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient

Dublin native Fran O'Leary demonstrates technique acquired from many years of coaching and playing both in the United States and Ireland.

his family.

"We wanted to return to New England. We wanted to move back into a college community. I wanted work again at a top private school. When the job came open, it was a pretty easy decision."

Looking ahead to this season, O'Leary is calling upon the team, especially the upperclassmen, to determine the goals.

"I've always asked the upperclassmen to have a dialogue with the rest of the team to determine what is feasible. The team is going to let me know next week."

O'Leary remains confident in his team's ability and motivation. He credited former coach Ainscough with the quality of the personnel. "Brian [Ainscough] left me with a great bunch of lads" said O'Leary.

## Men's rugby ready to ruck after summer training

by Adam Feit  
CONTRIBUTOR

For many Bowdoin students, the summer is a time for internships or beach bumming. The rugby team, however, had a very active summer season in preparation for what is hoped to be another successful year. The summer highlight for the rugbys was the Fourth of July Sevens Tournament, an exhausting three days of rugby. The tournament drew players from all over Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York. The star of the weekend was without a doubt Jack Clancy '07, who time and time again made a complete mess of the opposition's defense.

Senior captain Luke Flanagan noted, "Even a battleship couldn't stop Cheddar [Clancy]. He'll leave you as a purple stain on the field."

After a little bit of a scoring drought, flanker Josh McKeever '06 was especially fired up in the final match. While slipping in a try past a seemingly sleeping wing, he was heard yelling, "No one denies me!" Alex Castro '06 also had superb performance over the weekend, as well as the entire summer.

The rest of the squad looks to be in great shape and poised to begin a promising season.

The team is welcoming many starters, who played abroad last semester, back into the fold. Senior Evan Gallagher, who,

despite not having a team or even a partner, spent a lot of time practicing and playing by himself at the Vatican. Other rugbys such as senior Carrington Renfield-Miller, who managed to perfect his rear rucking technique while in China and J.D. Duncan '06, who worked himself blue while studying in foggy London, are returning to the rugby team this fall.

Unfortunately, the team is already suffering from the misfortune of injury as sophomore L.D. Lord severely sprained his ankle making a left turn in practice. However, it is a testament to the depth of the team that there are already other players ready to fill in the holes.

The team has its first match tomorrow against Bates at 11 a.m., behind the Farley Field House. The team is ready to go, especially since Bates served up Bowdoin's only loss last fall in the Cup Match.

"You just have to be forceful out there. You can't take no for an answer, from your body or your team," offered junior Morgan Connelly, known on the team for his in-game passion.

Connelly is not the only Bowdoin rugger who is chomping at the bit for gamaday. "I just want the ball," echoed junior Dan Jaffe, "I want some action and I want to score."

That spirit has been echoed by the entire team.

## Women's cross country running strong

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

After training on their own through the three summer months, the Bowdoin women's cross country team came together at the start of September to begin training for the upcoming season.

The women and their head coach, Peter Slovenski, are looking forward to an exciting season as they hope to improve upon their eighth place finish at the NESCAC Championships last year, as well as their 12th place finish at New England.

Improvement seems likely for the ladies as all five of the first-year runners from last year have returned to the team. After gaining a year of experience on the college running scene, Courtney Eustace '08, Amy Ahearn '08, Aisha Woodward '08, Sarah Podmaniczky '08, and Laura Onderko '08 all look forward to a even stronger sophomore year.

The team also looks to their first-year runners with high expectations as the eleven new runners add not only talent, but depth to the formerly small team.

The women will look to their

captains, senior Jill Schweitzer and junior Jamie Knight, to lead the promising young team to a successful season.

As Schweitzer '06 comments, "This season is exciting because so much is up in the air. We have about 13 freshmen on the team, and six out of ten upperclassmen are sophomores. The top seven slots are all up for grabs, enthusiasm seems high, and the amount of talent and preparation on the team is definitely in good standing."

Schweitzer also maintains that the team has great potential this season. "I'm looking forward to seeing what will develop at our first meet on Saturday and throughout the rest of the season; I think we have a great shot at going far and surprising the NESCAC league this season," she said.

With Schweitzer as the only senior on the team and three strong juniors, Knight, Alex Knapp, and Kristen Brownell. The young team has tremendous potential to perform well this year and upcoming years.

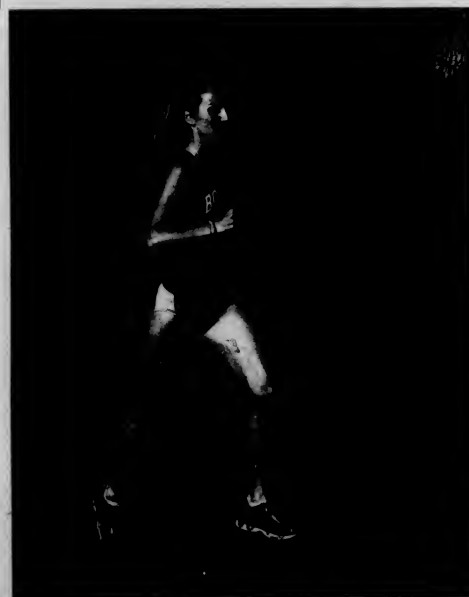
Knight attests to the depth and

talent of the team, saying, "Jill and I are looking forward to this season a lot, the team is much bigger than it was last season, and along with the talent our new runners bring, we are also gaining a great group of people who are hard workers and a good source of support for the team."

Practices have been going well. So far, the team remains healthy, with key runners Eustace and Podmaniczky, both in the top seven last year, coming back from injuries in outdoor track last spring.

The women are focused on utilizing their practice time early in the season in order to perform well in the upcoming months when the more important championship meets will take place. Slovenski has high hopes for the young team saying, "I've been impressed by the work ethic of the team this month. Everyone is training hard, and I think it will pay off with good results in November."

The Polar Bears will compete in their first race this Saturday at the University of New England in Biddeford, Maine.



Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient

Women's cross country stand-out Courtney Eustace '08 trains for the season.

# Smooth sailing forecasted



Courtesy of the Bowdoin Sailing Team

The sailing team had an impressive 12th place finish at last Saturday's Harry Anderson Trophy regatta.

by Kelly Rula  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Sailing Team returned from Yale University late Sunday night boasting an impressive 12th place finish against some of the nation's best collegiate sailors.

Accompanied by new head coach Sherry Fowler, skippers Frank Pizzo '06 and Mark Dineen '08, along with crews Katie Auth '08, and Kelly Pitts '08, attacked the competition at this season's first intercollegiate regatta, the Harry Anderson.

The Bowdoin sailors placed above several top 15 nationally ranked teams including Stanford, the Naval Academy, MIT, and Kings Point, giving the country a taste of what is to come from Bowdoin this season.

Despite shifty wind conditions and an inconsistent fleet, the team placed 18th out of 24 by the end

of the day on Saturday. On Sunday the Bowdoin sailors edged up to 12th place.

A-division skipper Dineen had an impressive day of sailing winning two seconds, a third, and a ninth. His record was bested by only one other pair from Tufts. Dineen attributed his day to "good starts and the ability to visualize wind shifts down the course." B-division crew Auth described the successful weekend as a combination of effective communication and solid teamwork.

"Frank and I were talking to each other really well and kept our heads out of the boat looking for shifts and good breeze. In between sets, the team came together to discuss strategy and give positive encouragement," said Auth.

Senior captain Pizzo attributed the addition of Fowler to the weekend's performance. Fowler, a Yale graduate and current resident of Portland is succeeding Tom Sitzmann as head

of the sailing program. A highly competitive women's varsity collegiate sailor, Fowler brings a wealth of knowledge to the varsity team.

Fowler expressed the desire for "every sailor from most to least experienced to have improved within the next two months and to feel confident that they are sailing to their potential in every regatta they attend."

When asked about first impressions of the sailing team, Fowler replied with a heartfelt, "I love you guys!"

Co-captains Pizzo and Caitlin Moore '06 returned the sentiment. "We have an enthusiastic coach and a dedicated core group of returning sailors; we expect to do extremely well this season" they said.

This weekend the sailing team will disperse across New England to compete in three separate regattas at Dartmouth, Mass Maritime, and Bates College.

# Women's tennis taking off

by Kara Perriello  
CONTRIBUTOR

With the opening of a new academic year, the Bowdoin Women's Tennis team is looking for a fresh start. Graduating two solid seniors, and losing talented junior Christine D'Elia to Rome for the semester, the Bears welcome four first-years to their squad.

After ending last spring in the first round of the NCAA in a 4-5 heartbreaking loss to Williams, the returning players are fired up and excited to be bringing so many new players aboard. Many players spent the summer recovering from injuries and training to ensure a healthy and successful upcoming season.

With a fall season of no more than eight weeks, these Polar Bears are eager to be on the court pushing each other in match play and conditioning both on and off the court.

In the upcoming month and a half, women's tennis will face four opponents in dual matches, host an individual singles and doubles tournament and end their season with a team performance at NEWITTs.

Senior captains Kristina Sisk and Kara Perriello are taking the reins of such a youthful team and hoping to instill the determination and fire in the squad that has been so characteristic of the team over the last few years. Perriello and junior Kelsey Hughes will likely pair up again to lead the doubles pairings at the No. 1 spot.

Also returning is sophomore and rock solid player, Kristin Raymond, who with fast feet and consistent play is looking at having another terrific season.

Coach Jane Paterson is excited to be bringing on first years Sarah D'Elia, Rachel Waldman, Charlotte Hitch, and Alexandra Franceschi, all of whom join Bowdoin with successful high school performances.

The team is looking to once again have a unified and hardworking squad that will do some damage with the NESCAC competition. The Polar Bears start their season next weekend with an away match against Connecticut College.

Kristina Sisk also contributed to this article.

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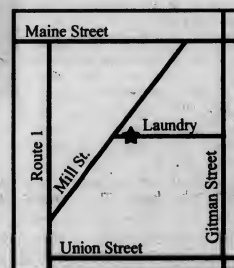
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## Women's ruggers optimistic



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Women's rugby players square off during a practice scrimmage.

by Alexandra Cowen  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Rugby Team has carried over the hard work and determination that propelled them to success last spring to the upcoming fall season.

The women attended a tournament earlier this fall, in addition to diligently practicing and scrimmaging. Despite some cold and rainy weather, the Bowdoin ruggers placed third in the tournament, and several players were selected to play on the All-Maine Select Side. Melissa Hayden '05, Margaret Griffith '07, Vanessa Vidal '08, and Sara Utzschneider '07 were identified as among the best of all Maine collegiate rugby players. The four women went on to represent the state of Maine in the All-New England Tournament.

Many members of the team came back to campus early to attend a pre-season clinic with a visiting coach,

Jonathan Griffin.

After countless years as a flyhalf, fullback, and coach on many European pitches, Griffin is currently one of the coaches for Stanford University's women's rugby club—the 2005 NCAA Division I Champions.

With the help of Griffin, the ruggers learned valuable new techniques, built up their excitement for the fall season, and earned their first tender bruises of the year. Despite the loss of ten valuable senior ruggers, the team is optimistic. Recruitment efforts have proved successful; a promising rookie class has joined the veteran players for the fall season.

Daily practices have been tough, but the enthusiasm on the pitch is an indication that the upcoming season will be packed with spirit and victory. The first home game will be Saturday, September 24 against the University of New Hampshire.

Clara Cantor and Carrie Miller contributed to this report.



## Sport Shorts

### Men's Soccer

The Men's Soccer team faces a rebuilding season with the institution of new head coach Fran O'Leary. Coming off a third place NESCAC finish in 2004 and a 10-6 record, the team regrets the loss of All-American defensive back Danny Sullivan, though anticipates the potential of lead returner scorer and All-NESCAC first-team striker Andrew Russo '06. The Polar Bears go back into action with an away game at rival Bates College.

### Women's Volleyball

Women's volleyball coach Kellie Bearman leads a strong team of returning starters, as the 2004 squad lost no players to graduation. The young team will look to the leadership of seniors Kelly Bougere and Sarita Fu in order to bounce back from a 12-17 season last year. Other key returning starters expected to make an impact in upcoming competitions include Julie Clarareso '07 and Ellie Simon '06. The team has its first competition this Friday with a match against University of Southern Maine at Colby.

### Men's Cross Country

The men's cross-country team hits the trails for the first time this Saturday at the University of New England with four returning seniors, Andrew Combs, Ben Martens, Jonah Popp, and Michael Record. Under the leadership of Peter Slovenski, in his 19th year as head coach, the team welcomes five new first-year runners: Archie Abrams, Ike Irby, Micheal Julian, Jay McCormick, and Scot McFarland.

### Football

The Bowdoin Football team looks to improve its NESCAC standing having just come off its best season since 1998, when a 2-6 record earned the Polar Bears a 7th place ranking in the NESCAC. Despite the loss of four All-Conference players from last year, captains Shaun Kezer '06 and Mike Stratton '06 are leading the team with a strong coalition of nineteen returning seniors. The Polar Bears return to Whittier Field on September 24 with a home game against Middlebury.

### Golf

The golf team, led by men's coach Tomas Fortson and women's coach Michel Amidon, returns to the green after a successful season, in which the team emerged victorious in the Colby-Bates-Bowdoin Championship and finished seventh overall among NESCAC teams. The team looks to triumph over Colby and Bates and improve their NESCAC standing with a strong squad of thirteen returning athletes and four new first years. The team begins the 2005 season by hosting the Bowdoin Invitational at their home course, the Brunswick Gold Club, on September 10 and 11.

### Rowing

The Bowdoin rowing team returns to competition after a successful spring season in which Bowdoin boats placed first and second at the New England Championships held in May. The gold-medal Women's Four from the May competition returns one

rower, Andrea Printy '08, to this season's crew, while the men's silver-medal boat returns rowers Nate Hyde '07 and Ed Cary '08. The men and women's rowing teams begin their 2005 fall season on October 29 at the Colby-Bates-Bowdoin Regatta, hosted by Colby College.

### Field Hockey

The field hockey team looks forward to the return of First-Team All-NESCAC and Second-Team All-American player Taryn King '07. In addition, the team welcomes back key players Christi Gannon '06, Sarah Horn '07, and Kate Leonard '07, all of whom hold First-Team All-NESCAC honors. The team, coached by Nicky Pearson, hopes to continue their success from last season, having finished out 2004 with a 10-5 record and a 2nd place NESCAC standing. The team begins its 2005 season this Saturday at Wellesley College.

### Men's Tennis

2004 NESCAC Co-Head Coach of the year Jane Paterson leads a strong men's tennis team into the upcoming season. The team, which finished second in the overall NESCAC rankings in 2004, will feel the loss of NESCAC Player of the Year Macafee Barker; returning top players like Garret Gates '08 and four new first-year players should fill the void. The men return to the court on September 17 for the Middlebury Invitational.

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## Counter devastation with compassion

With over half of Bowdoin's students from New England and only a handful from the Katrina-stricken regions of the south, it's not easy for the student body to directly relate to the devastation. With the exception of rising gas prices, life in Brunswick is largely unaffected. Amidst the frenzied pace that accompanies the start of each year at Bowdoin, students are not dedicating the time or energy necessary to contemplate the complete magnitude of the destruction on the Gulf Coast.

We watched Katrina slowly arrive, destroy, and dissipate as a mere graphic on a newscaster's map. Then only gradually did we discover the enormity of the ruin left in its path. It came without the shock of the 9/11 tragedy that jolted every American citizen from Maine to California into instant awareness, solidarity, and action.

Imagine for a moment that instead of New Orleans, it was Boston underwater. Imagine that public officials were speculating on the possibility that thousands of Bostonians had perished throughout the disaster. Imagine that it was a large number of Bowdoin students who had lost the house they grew up in and had no idea where their parents were. Imagine that it happened to us.

But it did happen to us. It happened to our American brothers and sisters. Even though Katrina destroyed homes and families over 1,500 miles away, we all must recognize our responsibility to respond to this American challenge. And unless we all allow ourselves the time to reflect upon the impact of this disaster, and consider carefully what it will mean in terms of loss and casualty, our response will be lethargic and shamefully insufficient.

It is vital that the country's elite educational institutions like Bowdoin not shirk their obligation to assist, especially in light of revelations that the government response on all levels was tremendously inadequate. Therefore, we praise the College in its decision to donate \$30,000 to three universities damaged by Hurricane Katrina to aid each in its daunting recovery.

But perhaps the greatest potential for aid will come not from the administration, but from Bowdoin's students—be it as financial donors, grassroots volunteers, or as scholars thinking analytically about the scientific, social, and political implications of the hurricane. Students have an overwhelming moral responsibility to be actively involved in the healing process for the common good of the country.

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## New Orleans reveals the Bush administration's true colors

by Benjamin Kreider  
CONTRIBUTOR

Even an ardent critic of the Bush administration, such as myself, has to admit that the president was not directly responsible for the tragedy unfolding in New Orleans. After all, no human being can prevent a natural disaster. Yet, the lackluster response of the administration is very telling.

"Compassionate conservatism" is, and always has been, a misnomer. The current debacle is just the latest episode to show that Bush and his cronies care much more about their rich and powerful friends than average citizens.

Average citizens are the very ones who have been most hurt by this tragedy. Just a casual glance at images of the ruined city makes it clear that the majority of the victims stranded in the city are poor and black. Now I am not calling the administration racist—I am only saying that they have never truly cared about the poor and downtrodden.

It would be foolish to ignore the roles race and class play in this tragedy. If a similar disaster had occurred in Orange County, California, or a similar wealthy, white bastion of conservatism, it's safe to say that help would have been sent immediately. Conservatives and liberals alike will try as hard as they can not to talk about class, but it is both irresponsible and unavoidable in this situation.

The people whose lives were most deeply affected by Katrina were the ones who could not afford to leave the city. These are the same people who have been most hurt by the war in Iraq as well. As the sons and daughters of these low-income families come home in coffins, Bush's friends in corporate America are lining their pockets with war profits. It must be nice to be so isolated from reality.

The president's empty rhetoric does nothing to ease their pain and suffering; and the lack of accountability of his administration is appalling. If this had happened during the Clinton administration, conservatives would be calling for the president's head and demanding that top officials resign.

Yet when Democrats appropriately call for the resignation of FEMA Director Michael Brown, who was

not even aware that there were thousands of refugees at the Superdome, the administration does nothing.

Liberals have long been alleging that this president is oblivious to the needs of the poor, and rightfully so. On August 30, the Census Bureau released statistics showing that household income has failed to increase for five years in a row, the first time in recorded history this has happened.

In addition, the poverty rate actually rose last year. All this has happened despite White House claims that we are in the middle of economic recovery.

That may be the case, depending upon how you define a recovery. But

what is clear is that income inequality has grown dramatically during Bush's presidency. Corporate profits, meanwhile, continue to rise steadily thanks to the war and Bush's cozy relationship with corporate America. The rich continue to get richer, and the poor continue to get poorer.

All the while, right-wing Christians continue to be under the illusion that this is a president who cares about the poor.

In the church I was raised in, we were taught that one of the core principles of Christianity was to care for the poor. It's sad that politics has made Bush forget this. Perhaps the latest tragedy will open people's eyes to the truth.

## Our government is the real catastrophe

by Evan McLaren  
CONTRIBUTOR

Among politicians and commentators now sorting out the New Orleans disaster, discussion seems to be focused on the current administration. While the contribution of the war-crazed Right is to continue to ignore the nakedness of the emperor, the Left utilizes the catalogue of administration gaffs to argue its agenda—which mainly consists of "elect us." Yet while debate rages seemingly in earnest, the politicians and the media are taking their cues from an ancient script that reads thus: tainted public officials will be fired (so long, Mike Brown), levees will be fixed, funding for some key government programs will be increased, and new ones may even be started. Then, satisfied with our "progress," we will join hands and celebrate a government fully prepared to prevent the catastrophe that happened two weeks ago. Meanwhile I am endlessly puzzled; how can the state use a disaster it created to persuade people to place their faith in the state?

For those unconvinced that the state, and not Katrina, caused the disaster, I will offer my synopsis, beginning with the New Orleans levee and drainage system. To read the remarks of experts who studied the levees long before Katrina hit, one would think they had been designed to submerge large sections of the New Orleans area beneath a stagnant pool contaminated with sewage and debris. But since the Army Corps of Engineers and the New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board are government agencies under no direct pressure to serve anyone besides the bureaucrats they take orders from, nothing was done. And tragically, the levees, and not Katrina itself, created the mess that befell New Orleans. Wrote The New York Times on August 31, "It was not the water from the sky but the water that broke through the city's protective barriers that had changed everything for the worse. . . . When the levees gave way in some critical spots, streets that were essentially dry in the hours immediately after the hurricane passed were several feet deep in water on Tuesday morning."

In the days following the storm the government seemed to adopt a strict plan: help criminals, obstruct honest citizens. When armed looters filled the streets and overwhelmed police, New Orleans' finest either stood idly by or joined in sacking the city.

Meanwhile, FEMA remained idle until Thursday, three days after the hurricane passed, when its lead bureaucrat Mr. Brown appeared on television to announce that his agency would begin helping New Orleans very soon.

When it finally did arrive to "manage" the crisis, it spent most of its energy redirecting desperately needed supplies and preventing people from trying to rescue friends and family. Case in point: the grief-stricken president of Jefferson Parish, one of the local communities, appeared on "Meet the Press" to detail how on separate occasions FEMA stopped deliveries of three trailers full of water from Wal-Mart and one thousand gallons of diesel fuel from the Coast Guard. Next,

## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

## Construction unfair to today's student body

To the Editors:

Classes have started again, first years are already making fools of themselves, and nobody is too far behind on reading yet. But best of all, the campus is absolutely gorgeous and green, and the Quad is full of people enjoying another beautiful fall in Maine.

However, this year the College is doing what it can to make the quad about as nice as it is during mud season. Most of the green on campus is on the fences that spring up around construction in new places every day. While I can understand that foresight is crucial for an institution like

Bowdoin—the new first-year dorms are impressive evidence of the College's vision—it is equally necessary to let current members of the Bowdoin community enjoy the campus in the present.

The College should be more conscious of people who are paying more than \$40,000 each year to enjoy the Bowdoin experience—not to be penned in by construction and fences that won't disappear until most of them have graduated.

In a place that is so keen on promoting dialogue, the greater Bowdoin community should actually be consulted on the shaping of the college, because they are who it affects the most. There is a better balance that can be struck between rampant modernization and maintaining one of Bowdoin's greatest assets—its campus.

Sincerely,  
Max Tyler '07

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# Bush focuses on foreign affairs, neglects homeland

by Ben Freedman  
CONTRIBUTOR

I've heard numerous times since being on campus that Bowdoin students have their plates full. Obviously filled with great eats, but more so with activities and clubs and sports and groups and meetings. While we, at Bowdoin, adapt and learn how to balance our schedules and agendas and conflicts, it seems as if there is a significant population of Americans who are having severe difficulty working out their agendas. Unfortunately, those Americans happen to be running our country.

As I have only been on this earth

for 18 years, I have only been alive for four different presidencies. Since I wasn't quite old enough to appreciate or dislike the actions of the first two, I started to mold my political views under the third, and now, my views are being sculpted by the inefficient, misguided leadership of President Bush. Every day when I walk into Moulton, I am hesitant to pick up a copy of The Boston Globe because I am nervous as to what will show up on the front page. Every day there is something new, something frustrating.

It appears to me that our president simply has too much on his plate. He has been so inefficient in deciding his

battles, that at this point in his presidency all of those matters are blowing up in his face, like the levees that burst in New Orleans.

Bush's presidency thus far has been defined by his moves regarding international relations and overseas matters—terrorism, the war in Iraq, installing a new government in Iraq, gas and oil prices, the potential of North Korean and Iranian nuclear weapons, and the Israeli/Arab peace conflict.

While these issues are certainly severely important, this has resulted in a lack of attention to our own policies and troubles—education, social security, Medicare, welfare, a widen-

ing gap between political parties, and now the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

What is saddening to me is that I believe this country needed something like Katrina to remind President Bush that he is the leader of the world's foremost super power. His delayed response could have simply been due to fact that he has forgotten how to deal with issues on his own turf because he has neglected them for so long.

With the help of Katrina, it is now evident that poverty and malnutrition are real problems on our own soil, not just in far-off lands. And to fix the problems, our president's solu-

tion is money: throw more money into Iraq (increase the deficit), throw more money at schools that pass the tests (increase the deficit), throw money onto the flooded streets of New Orleans (increase the deficit)—money will do.

It is not the quantity of money that is thrown around, but the quality of the existing programs that utilize this fiscal support. In this time of homeland turbulence, judicial turnover, and policy change, we need our leaders focused on our issues. And while the president is doling out the dollars, pretty soon, he'll be out of lunch money, and won't have the means to fill up his tray.

## Citizens should hold government accountable

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FEMA cut the community's emergency communication lines without notice and posted an armed guard to prevent anyone from going near them. Finally, after offering daily assurances that a co-worker's grandmother, trapped in a nearby nursing home, would be rescued, FEMA failed to follow through and the woman was allowed to drown in the flood. The area is full of similar stories.

I don't mean to suggest that our government is actively sabotaging its citizens, although that may seem to be the case. The problem, much more subtle, is that the government itself is rarely held accountable and therefore has no reason to care. Businesses that

provide lousy service or kill and injure customers and bystanders soon suffer the consequences of the market and cease to exist. Government, on the other hand, is strangely immune to market forces. When the state fails, a few figureheads (Bush or Brown, for instance) may suffer criticism or lose their jobs, but the state itself is never questioned. Instead it is rewarded with more funding and more control.

As the implacable libertarian Lew Rockwell repeatedly points out, it is no wonder that an institution that has learned to thrive on its own crimes spends billions upon billions in taxpayer dollars but can't build a reliable space shuttle, educate its children, fend off a few extremists with an agenda, or maintain its levees.

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## STUDENT SPEAK

### First years, what is your favorite thing about Bowdoin?



Dewey Crowley '09

"Running into stop signs."



Ben York '09

"Watching Dewey run into stop signs."



Jason Finkelstein '09

"Popped collars."



Kristen Gunther '09

"My first class isn't until 10 o'clock."

### Sophomores, what is your favorite thing about the first years?



Jamil Wyne '08 and Zach Tcheyan '08

"There are certain things..."



Alex Bettigole '08

"This one girl I met."



Liza Cohen '08

"Hot guys."



Katie Auth '08

"Everything."

By Mike Ardolino

# The Weekly Calendar

## September 9-15

### Friday

#### Common Hour Series

Professor Richard Morgan will give a lecture entitled, What is a Conservative, Daddy?

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 12:30 p.m.

#### Motorcycle Diaries

Follow the true story of a young man who travels with his friend across South America on a motorcycle and later becomes an influential revolutionary. Sills Hall, Smith Auditorium, 7 p.m.

### Sunday

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### Be Well At Bowdoin

A men's health program covering steps to living a more balanced lifestyle. Sign up through Human Resources at x3837.

Multipurpose Room, McLellan Building, 6-7 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Iraq National Museum Looting: Lecture

Retired U.S. Army Reserve Major Corine Wegener speaks on recent events at the Iraq National Museum.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7:30 P.M.

#### Brown Bag Lunch Discussion Series

Meet with local physicists to discuss Einstein's Miracle Year.

Morrell Meeting Room, Curtis Memorial Library, Brunswick, 12-1 p.m.

### Saturday

#### Craft Center Open House

Learn how to tie-dye, or create your own dyed projects. Craft Center behind Admissions, 3-5 p.m.

#### Remembering September 11th

Listen to a reading of a play by Bowdoin alumnus Jonathan Bell concerning the events of September 11.

Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 7 p.m.

#### Celtic Music Concert

Cantrip, a Scottish band, performs traditional music involving bagpipes, guitar, fiddles, and djembe.

Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 7:30 p.m.



A lobster boat sits tranquilly in New Harbor on the Pemaquid Peninsula.

Evan Kohn, Bowdoin Orient

### Tuesday

#### Hurricane Relief Project

Professors lead a discussion about the effects of Hurricane Katrina in relation to our daily lives.

Quinby House, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Hurricane Relief Efforts

Students, faculty, and staff come together to plan the next stage of the 12 Days/12 Months Relief Project.

Community Service Resource Center, Adams Hall, 4-5 p.m.



A Blue Angel flies over campus.

Drew Fulton, Bowdoin Orient



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## Courses venture to the web

*Blackboard takes off with little opposition from students, professors*

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

For those at Bowdoin who are less technologically savvy than they would like to admit or who just want easier access to course material, Bowdoin is aiming to make life simpler through its recent utilization of the web site Blackboard (<http://blackboard.bowdoin.edu>).

Though widely used on other campuses, Blackboard made its debut at Bowdoin last spring in a pilot program during which 24 courses used the site as a resource for class material.

With Blackboard, professors may post syllabi, articles, course announcements, and links to related web sites. Blackboard also allows for online discussion of the course

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## Kick-starting the new year



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Andrew Russo '06 drives towards the goal in Wednesday's match against Rhode Island College. The Polar Bears triumphed 5-2.

## Tuition and fees increase to \$41,660

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

The cost of a Bowdoin education has once again reached an all-time high, with the 2005-2006 comprehensive fee surpassing the \$40,000 mark for the first time. Total tuition and fees now amount to \$41,660, marking a 4.99 percent increase over the course of one year.

"Forty-thousand dollars is seen as a benchmark," said Director of Student Aid Stephen Joyce. "I think there will become a point where cost is a major factor, but I don't know if \$40,000 is that point."

Students are reacting in different ways to the tuition increase.

"I am glad I am graduating before I can run myself any further into debt with college loans," senior Kevin Larivee said.

Aaron McCullough '07 disagrees. "I guess I can sort of understand it, when you consider how many services the college offers—everything from the dining services to the counseling services," McCullough said.

"I guess the question is whether or not we need everything that's

being offered. The answer is probably not. The funny thing is, once you have these services, you don't want to see them go, even if they are realistically more than we need," he said.

Although tuition and fees have been increasing steadily year after year, the escalating price of a college education has members of the Bowdoin staff anxious about future enrollment.

"Our big challenge is to make sure people don't just look at the fees and shy away," Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Richard Steele said. "There shouldn't be a problem, as long as we get the word out about our financial aid program. Our financial aid program compares extremely well with other institutions."

Presently, 42 percent of the student body receives financial aid from the College, with an average award last year of approximately \$28,000. The money for financial aid does not come from tuition payments, but rather, from

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## BSG enters semester with high aspirations

*Mckesson and executive team prepare for elections, plan improvements*

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

Executive members of the Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) are kick-starting their year by implementing a four-tier plan to improve student life and renewing their pledge for enhanced communication between officers and the student body.

Despite a clause in BSG's constitution that mandates the student government hold a meeting at least every two weeks, BSG's first public meeting is not set until September 27, at which point all newly elected officers will convene for the first time.

"Every year, this time is so undefined," President DeRay Mckesson '07 said. "Right now, we don't have a student government, so this [clause] doesn't apply yet."

Until the official assembly transpires, executive members of BSG, popularly elected last May, will

meet in private to formalize goals for the semester and address issues that require immediate response. For example, the group organized last Wednesday's silent reflection in the chapel and has started to make arrangements for a late-night pancake breakfast at Super Snack to raise awareness and funds for victims of Hurricane Katrina.

The executive members of BSG are striving to save significant decisions for later this month, when all 28 members of the student government will be present.

"We're working, being mindful that the whole body isn't there," Mckesson said. "We've been hesitant to allocate money."

Vice President of Facilities Will Donahoe '08 finds this temporary stage of governing frustrating.

"We don't have the full government in yet and it's really difficult to get anything done in a conclusive sense," he said.

Last Saturday, BSG officers held a working retreat on campus, during which they developed a mission

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## Textbook annex ponders future

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Despite student complaints of rising costs, the textbook annex will remain a campus institution, according to Director of Dining and Bookstore Services Mary Kennedy.

When renovations of Moore Hall, the current home of the textbook annex, begin next year, a new location will need to be found for the annex. According to Kennedy, Coles Tower may have vacant space, since its layout already includes a large student storage area that could be used for shelving textbooks.

Re-installing the annex in Moore after renovations is probably not an option, so the annex's move will most likely be a permanent change.

Despite its move, staff of the textbook annex believe that the annex will continue to be the primary source students use for purchasing textbooks.

Trying to find books elsewhere can be very complicated and frustrating for students, Kennedy said. The textbook annex also offers books and compilations of articles for specific classes that would be difficult or impossible to find



Contributed by Alex Krippner

Although students have the option to purchase textbooks online, a majority of students still turn to the annex for their course materials.

from other sources, she said.

Rising textbook prices at Bowdoin and at colleges and universities across the nation are a concern for many students. According to a report by the United States Government Accountability Office (GAO), "Textbook prices have risen at twice

the rate of annual inflation over the last two decades."

These rising prices may be explained in part by new technology. It is now common practice that CDs and DVDs are packaged with the text-

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## Erik Tillotson approaches students

by Evan Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

Erik Tillotson, a man arrested numerous times in Brunswick, has approached students at their off-campus residences on the west side of Maine Street, Assistant Director of Security Mike Brown said early this morning.

Brown said the Brunswick Police

Department issued a new trespass warning to Tillotson. In November 2004, Tillotson was banned from setting foot on college property. The new warning also bans him from the off-campus residences in question.

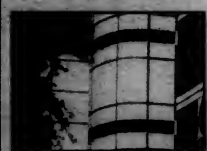
According to police, Tillotson is no longer on probation and thus is no longer required to inform the police of his whereabouts. Tillotson has been

under previous investigation for "terrorizing," and was reported last November to have had fliers advertising free foot massages for women.

Tillotson is described as a six foot, four inches tall Caucasian male. He is 200 pounds, with blue eyes and short, light brown, wavy hair.

—Bobby Guertte and Josh Miller contributed to this report.

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A past Orient editor reports on Katrina from a Houston convention center.

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# BSG eager to begin new year Pilot users find Blackboard accessible, helpful



Mike Ardonlino, The Bowdoin Orient

DeRay Mckesson '07 campaigns in the Union for next week's elections.

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statement and vision for their organization this semester. The vision is divided into four pillars, each representing an area in which officers feel they need improvement or definition.

As in past years, BSG hopes to maintain a focus on programming, including extended gym hours and enhanced shuttle service hours. However, members say BSG is addressing other issues as well.

To start off the year, BSG plans to stabilize its own structure by defining the roles of its committees and sponsoring a school-wide leadership development conference for the key players in clubs campus-wide.

"We won't be strong for anyone until we are strong for ourselves," Mckesson said. "We have to function well internally."

BSG also plans to expand its influence beyond programming and into the academic sphere of college life. This new emphasis on "out of classroom learning," combined with a tentative design for a NESAC association of student governments, is intended to enhance dialogue and the reach of BSG involvement.

One of BSG's main focuses, as always, is to enhance communication between the student body and its elected representatives.

"We have tons of meetings, and people can come to the meetings, but if you're not there, there's no easy access to that information," Donahoe said.

To improve accessibility, BSG is working to create an enhanced web site that will provide both minutes from weekly meetings and a place for student suggestions, according to Donahoe.

"It will be a liaison between the student body and the student government," Class of 2008 representative Nate Tavel said. Donahoe and Tavel hope to see the web site launched within the next month.

BSG's first order of business, however, is overseeing the election of new class officers. Elections will take place online beginning at 8:00 a.m. on September 21 and ending at 8:00 p.m. on September 22.

Mckesson, who has been the Class of 2007 president for two years, is running again for class office this September.

Although holding positions on both governing bodies requires time and commitment, Mckesson hopes his aspiration to juggle these roles will not deter the voting student body.

"The argument is that there's a conflict of interests between the two positions," Mckesson said. "But student government is issue- and program-based in a way class [office] is not."

Other members of BSG also acknowledge and simultaneously dismiss the potential criticism.

"DeRay's proven himself to be a terrific class president," Tavel said.

"I fully support him in running for both positions, as long as it doesn't interfere with his ability to be a full-time student body president," he said.

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material and makes available students' grades.

Though Information Technology (IT) had previously provided many of these services through course web sites, Blackboard creates a campus-wide network providing access to information pertinent to one's courses.

After investigating various standard systems that Bowdoin could implement, IT found that

Blackboard had been widely used in the market and was well-received by colleges and faculty members who had prior experience with it. According to IT Director Mitch Davis, some of the faculty who recently came to

Bowdoin were surprised that the College was not already using this resource, which they had used previously and found helpful.

According to an email from President Barry Mills, the transition to the use of Blackboard is part of the College's goal of offering "the technology support for our faculty, students, and staff to provide the most sophisticated and effective means to enable teaching and scholarship at the College. The Blackboard initiative is an important new part of this continual responsibility of the College."

At the conclusion of the Blackboard pilot, students were selected from the courses for an evaluation of their experiences using the program, during which 79

percent responded that they found it easy or extremely easy to use, and 87 percent said that it was helpful in terms of increasing access to course materials. The survey was sponsored by IT.

Davis said that many students in the pilot courses expressed a desire to use Blackboard in more, if not all, of their classes in the future.

"I have used Blackboard for a couple classes and I think that it's convenient and easy to use as long as the professor is consistent with updating

Blackboard and to trade materials over the site," she said.

Nevertheless, Blackboard allows for professors to distribute necessary information to students while reserving class time for important and interesting discussions.

Russian Professor Ray Miller was originally apprehensive about utilizing the program.

"I'm part of the generation that didn't grow up with technology and am intimidated by it," Miller said.

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Russian Professor Ray Miller

"However, people generally enjoy my literature in translation courses and the complaint I had gotten was that the biography lectures were boring. People wanted to find more time discussing the works. There was

no reason why I couldn't do the biography work online. I went to a workshop and sure enough, [Blackboard] is incredibly easy to use," he said.

Over the summer, the Dean of Academic Affairs Office sponsored a pair of two-day workshops during which faculty members discussed the benefits of incorporating technologies like Blackboard into their courses. They also participated in hands-on training to gain experience using the program.

"It's a useful tool to disseminate information and make accessible the information you give to students," Professor of Government Michael Franz said.

"It's a one-stop shop for students and their courses," he said.

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## Increase sends tuition past unprecedented \$40k

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endowed sources, federal grants, and gifts, according to the Student Aid Office.

Bowdoin has maintained a policy of need-blind admissions for 12 years, meaning that the financial need of the applicant plays no part in the student's admission. Once accepted, the College determines the student's full calculated need.

"There is something pure and clean to be able to say nobody is excluded because they don't have the resources to be here," Joyce said.

However, offering need-blind admissions is merely a policy and can change if the cost of enrollment surpasses the funds available for scholarships. Nonetheless, the College has no immediate plans to discontinue the practice of need-

blind admissions, even with steadily rising costs.

"We aren't bound by a policy," Joyce said. "We have the flexibility to make changes if necessary. However, we have a president who is determined to keep our doors open to anyone who can get in here," he said.

In a May letter to parents, President Barry Mills explained that despite the rising cost of a Bowdoin education, the College is striving to cut expenses wherever the reduction will not affect the quality of student experience on campus. For example, Mills spoke of converting the school's boilers to require less costly fuel oil in order to cut winter heating costs.

The principal expense incurred by the College, however, is the cost of staff wages and benefits.

According to Mills, nearly 60 percent of the College's budget goes to pay professors, coaches, and other college personnel.

"The first thing we're looking at is faculty salaries," Joyce said. "We have to be competitive in the marketplace."

Nevertheless, College officials hope that surpassing the \$40,000 mark will not deter many students from applying.

"The media grabs onto that price tag and they are less willing to tell the story that Bowdoin is still accessible to students regardless of financial background," Joyce said.

Many students agree. "I think the \$40,000 threshold is kind of arbitrary," Michael Tillotson '08 said. "I mean, it's always increasing—this year it just happened to pass a number with a lot of zeros in it."



# Bowdoin lags in common good rankings

Bowdoin rates low on community service ratings, says *The Washington Monthly College Guide*

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

Despite Bowdoin's long-standing commitment to promoting the common good, the college could do a better job serving the country according to *"The Washington Monthly College Guide."*

The *Washington Monthly* developed a college rankings system as an alternative to other guides—among them the U.S. News & World Report—that it felt focused too much on what the colleges can do for students. Instead, *The Washington Monthly* asked, "What can the colleges do for the country?"

Among liberal arts colleges, Bowdoin was ranked 35th overall in the ranking, sandwiched between Siena College and Pomona College and trailing far behind top-ranked schools Wellesley College, Wesleyan University, Bryn Mawr College, and Harvey Mudd College.

According to *Washington Monthly* Editor Ben Wallace-Wells the ranking was determined by three categories: the colleges' promotion of social mobility, commitment to research, and national service performed by students.

Bowdoin finished 18th in the social mobility category and 34th in research.

To determine each school's social mobility score, *The Washington Monthly* did a calculation to approximate each school's success rate in educating students with dis-



Contributed by Hope Stockton

Students organized "Change for Change," a fundraiser aiding Katrina victims. Such acts of service are not included in the *Monthly's* rankings.

advantaged backgrounds. They did so by a predicting an estimated graduation rate based on the percentage of students on Pell Grants—a federally-funded need-based financial aid package—and then determined if the school over- or under-performed the predicted rate.

The analysis was unable to track the actual success rate of Pell Grant students at Bowdoin since the College does not make such data available.

The national service criteria was divided into three sub-categories: the number of graduates that enter the Peace Corps, the percentage of students involved in the Army or Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) programs, and the percent of federal work-study money that schools devote to service activities. Bowdoin ranked 23rd, 15th, and 151st respectively in

these categories.

Much of the criteria that *The Washington Monthly* looked at were not particularly relevant to Bowdoin. The college does not offer a ROTC program, and Bowdoin students rarely enter the Peace Corps (although many join AmeriCorps and become VISTAS, Volunteers in Service to America). The percentage of federal work-study money devoted to service is only seven percent.

College officials are not too concerned about the rankings.

"We take these things with a grain of salt," said Scott Hood, Bowdoin Vice President of Communications and Public Affairs. "People are fascinated with lists and rankings, but there's not always a lot of substance."

The ranking does not account for many other service opportunities offered at schools.

In an interview with the *Orient*, Director of the Bowdoin College Community Service Resource Center Susan Dorn shared her views.

"The way they define service is not the same way we define it," she said. "Bowdoin produces sound, academic men and women who are experienced being leaders to help the common good."

A large percentage of Bowdoin graduates continue to relish the importance of service by working for non-profit programs in the professional world.

Hood pointed out many Bowdoin students who went on to become leaders in volunteerism and philanthropy. "People educated at Bowdoin go on to do incredible things," he said.

Bowdoin also offers a wide variety of service programs including student-led service organizations, mentoring, service-oriented spring breaks, and an America Reads and Counts program. Professors too have incorporated their lessons in certain service-learning courses.

Dorn did note one positive aspect of the rankings.

"It's raising awareness, and for that, I don't care where we are," she said.

Members of the Community Resource Center believe that Bowdoin is working hard to promote service.

"Current students, alumni, it doesn't matter what you choose," Dorn said. "Bowdoin students share the tendency to do service for the common good."

## Some students buy textbooks on the web

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books, which can significantly increase the textbooks' prices.

The Student Aid Office web site recommends planning for \$2,070 worth of "books, supplies, and personal expenses" per year.

Many students buy used books, since they often cost significantly less than their newer counterparts. Selling books back to the textbook annex at the end of the semester is also an option to reduce costs. Students can expect to be refunded about 50 percent of their books' values when they sell their books to the annex, according to Kennedy and Assistant Director for Bookstore Operations Cindy Breton. This only applies if the books will be used in a class next semester, and often that is not the case.

"I definitely think we should get more money for our used books because they sell them back to us at much higher costs," said Lindsey Bonner '08.

"Some of the more expensive books they didn't buy back at all because professors weren't using the same book again next semester. When I sold back the smaller books that were originally \$15 to \$20, I got \$1.50 back. It's ridiculous," she said.

Though students are often frustrated by the amount they receive for their used books, the textbook annex is non-profit, so all of the money it makes is used to help support the College, according to Kennedy.

Many first-year students are surprised by the high cost of their books. According to the GAO report, "New students are in for a big surprise once they get through the long line to the register."

Rachael Fleming '09 and Caitlin Hylan '09 were shocked when they saw the bills for their books. "Some teachers don't take textbook prices into account," said Hylan. Some of her classes had booklists that cost significantly more than others.

For now, there are no plans to change the current workings of the textbook annex. Not all students are happy with the prices there, but many students find their alternatives limited.

## COLLEGE BRIEFS

NEWS FROM COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AROUND THE NATION

### Cost to rebuild Mississippi colleges is \$673.5 million

(U-Wire) Hurricane Katrina will cost Mississippi's public and private colleges at least \$673.5 million, according to preliminary estimates provided this week by the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, the state's public-university governing board.

Repairing and rebuilding campus facilities will cost about \$495 million, with \$440.8 million of the damages at public universities, \$47.2 million at community colleges, and almost \$7 million at private institutions, the board said.

### City-wide blackout leaves half of UCLA in the dark

(U-Wire) LOS ANGELES—The University of California at Los Angeles campus was among the many areas that lost power in Los Angeles on Monday after city utility workers accidentally erred in connecting wires and disconnected large swaths of the L.A. basin from power.

About half the buildings on campus were affected in the blackout, including chunks of South Campus and the residence halls on the Hill, said Carol Stogsdill, spokeswoman

for the university.

The blackout led to a handful of people on campus being stuck in elevators as campus electricians and service managers worked to restore power, said David Johnson, director of energy services and utilities at UCLA.

Many buildings on campus experienced a short flickering of lights shortly after noon, followed by up to an hour and a half of no electricity in some buildings, Stogsdill said.

With no computer capabilities, no lights and no television, many employees and students on campus opted to take a longer-than-expected lunch break.

Others, such as those working in the James West Alumni Center, took the opportunity to walk down to Ackerman Union, which remained powered, and purchase special BearWear merchandise that was on sale.

Backup generators powered the UCLA Medical Center, which reported no problems with patient care. The university police also functioned normally with its own generators.

### Memorial urges open discussion for UVA students

(U-Wire) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Virginia—UVA students and visitors

to the downtown mall will soon have an opportunity to publicly celebrate free speech. Construction of a monument on the mall recognizing the First Amendment is expected to be completed by the end of November.

The monument, which is located across from City Hall, will consist of two chalkboards and a podium. The public will be able to write on and edit the chalkboards as well as use the podium for both planned and extemporaneous speeches.

Officially titled "Community Chalkboard and Podium: A Monument to the First Amendment," the memorial is sponsored by the Thomas Jefferson Center for the Protection of Free Expression, a local group founded by former UVA President Robert O'Neil.

"The Thomas Jefferson mission is the protection of free expression," Jefferson Center Associate Director Joshua Wheeler said. "We pursue the mission in a variety of ways, one of which is to foster greater appreciation for the critical role that free speech plays in a democratic society. We believe this monument will do that by both commemorating that all-important freedom and providing a venue for the exercise of the right of free speech."

—compiled by Dan Hackett

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## Insurance inquiries

Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: It seems like we have a different health insurance plan this year. I've gotten a little confused about coverage for referrals and lab tests. Can you help clarify? -T.K.

Dear T.K.: There are indeed some important differences between our old and our current insurance plans.

We used to have a mandatory plan. Everyone was covered by our plan (and charged for it) whether or not they had coverage through their parents' plan. Others didn't have other coverage, needed our plan, but wished it was more comprehensive. As a result, we changed to what's known as a "hard waiver" system, meaning that students are automatically enrolled in Bowdoin's plan, but can waive it if they prefer and have comparable coverage.

About 40 percent of students are

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## Asaka explores

Professor Profile

by Joy Geertz  
CONTRIBUTOR

"I just want to try new things, and snowboarding is kind of like a trend," explains Visiting Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience Yukiko Asaka.

Whether it means leaving her home country, exploring new concepts in neuroscience, or finding new pleasures in recreation, Asaka is always reaching beyond what she knows.

After growing up in Japan, Asaka studied pharmacology for two years, but then wanted to change her major. Pharmacology was too impersonal. She wanted her job to deal more directly with people.

To pursue her interests, Asaka left behind her home country to study at George Mason University in Virginia, where she got her bachelor's degree in psychology. There, she became fascinated by the brain, particularly learning and memory.

Asaka then continued her studies at Miami University in Ohio. She taught undergraduate students while working with classical conditioning in animals. She continued her work in behavioral neuroscience, doing post-doctoral research on synaptic plasticity at Yale University for three years.

While she enjoys researching, Asaka says she loves teaching. She was drawn to Bowdoin because she wanted to teach at a small and academically strong school. She likes to get to know

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# Features

## In Katrina's Wake:

Recent Bowdoin graduate **Mónica Guzmán** shares her experiences reporting on displaced Katrina survivors for The Houston Chronicle.

Photo: The George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston Texas houses victims of Hurricane Katrina.

COURTESY OF MONICA GUZMAN

by Mónica Guzmán '05  
ALUMNA CONTRIBUTOR

HOUSTON, Texas—I think it first hit me when Shanelle stepped into the 93-degree heat outside the Astro Inn holding Erick in her arms.

Erick was barely a week old. He was born on a Friday—the Friday before Hurricane Katrina drove his mother and so many others from their homes in New Orleans.

The Friday before, the family spent a day in terrible traffic and then slept two nights in their car by the side of the road. They couldn't find any cheap motel rooms.

A sign not too far from us proclaimed the Astro Inn's nightly rate in chipped plastic: \$30.77.

Shanelle is 20 years old. Erick is her third child. She smiles down at him. His eyes are closed in an innocent sleep.

Everything Shanelle ever owned drowned in 15 feet of water miles away. Everything is gone. Everything is ugly. But here was her new baby boy. And he is beautiful.

It hit me then that there is no way anyone could do this situation justice. A whole city laid to waste, thousands of people displaced. Hurricane Katrina was just so big.

A few days later I asked a New Orleans woman to tell me her story.

"It's like everybody's story," she said as she sighed and looked around. "All them people has a story too."

She's right. Them people were all around us, walking among 2,000 inflatable mattresses at the George R. Brown Convention Center, where evacuees are doing what they can to put their lives back together and I am trying to do what I can to tell people sleeping on real mattresses tonight something about what that's like.

In moments like this it seems impossible.

"Excuse me, sir, my name's Mónica Guzmán, and I'm a reporter with The Houston Chronicle. I'm working on a story about the evacuees living here in the shelter. Do you have a few minutes?"

He could be on his way to the Red Cross table, or to check if a brother, or daughter, or wife has finally contacted him. Or outside, to stand in a two-hour line in the horrendous sun to register for FEMA. Maybe he's thinking of what he's going to say once he gets to the front. Maybe it's, "I don't know what to do. I've lost everything."

Sometimes they smile at me. Sometimes they don't. In either case, I swear I can see my perfect professional courtesy hang limp in the air between us.

I came to Houston two days before Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast. I was supposed to start at the Chronicle as a cops reporter a week later. But when 250,000 people poured into the city looking for help, I was called in early during one of the most hectic weeks the Chronicle newsroom has seen in years.

Pretty soon, I was spending more hours at Houston's George R. Brown Convention Center, the second largest shelter housing Katrina's victims, than I had spent at my apartment.

The inflatable beds at the shelter were arranged into neat rows, coded with the names of colors. One man told me he lived "on Red Street" and laughed, pointing to his mattress, covered in donated blankets that didn't match. That mattress and the plastic bags of supplies around it were all the property he could depend on.

It's hard to say what it's like to be in a place like this, doing a job like this. When you're waiting for a

source and you exhale and look around, it really hits you. But you're not always thinking of the bigger picture. There are distractions.

Deadlines, for one. Rules and regulations, for another. The media can't just roam free, I was told, over and over again. Don't go anywhere until you go to the PR office in room 302C and get an escort. And make sure you sign in and out. Where's your press badge?

Oh, right. That. Thing is, I was still just getting used to being called "the media." The third day I came in one PR official called me the "runaway reporter" and was a little wary to let me go to the bathroom by myself. Given time, I behaved.

And let's not forget the celebrities. Bill Cosby, the Florida Marlins, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi. They and others came and had their much-photographed moments.

Bill Cosby was a surprise for everybody. I heard his voice booming on the PA system and rushed downstairs to see. A man who saw him said it was great that he was there, "but I just spent nine days underwater." Then he told me he was still looking for his wife, and would I please write her name down? He gave me its spelling, and my heart broke. I had written down so many of those names, and there was only a slim chance any of them would make it in the paper.

Sometimes it's the little kids, the ones too young to understand, who make me and everybody else forget and smile. When everyone trudges, they race. They spin and laugh and sometimes misbehave. They take things in stride, because somebody else is there to do the worrying for them. Though that's not true for all of them.

A large message board covers a

part of a wall on the first floor:

"Has anyone seen Christopher?" and "Shaniqua, baby, we're looking for you."

Sometimes they smile at me.

Sometimes they don't. In either case, I swear I can see my perfect professional courtesy hang limp in the air between us.

Every day, you hear about tearful reunions. Heartfelt donations. People leaving the shelter to go somewhere real, somewhere private.

But so many tears are still shed in the darkest sadness. I see some people sitting on their mattresses, alone, staring at the floor. I want to know what they're thinking. I want to tell their stories. And when I ask for them, I want them to smile, even if just for a second.

Sunday, September 7, I thought I had seen enough to go back to the newsroom and type up 15 inches on Houston hotel-bound evacuees by the 6:00 p.m. deadline. But then I knocked on room 220 and there was Shanelle with Erick, and inside, two other children, one running around in a diaper still wet from a dip in the outdoor pool. There was a story about hope and loss. Something important. I said goodbye and wished her luck.

Her part of my story was cut before it went to print some days later.

I know there's no way to knock on all the doors. There are thousands. It would take forever. But as the country struggles to make sense of Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath, I hope we get to enough of them. And I hope that when they open, we pay attention to what's inside.

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# A Look Back

Clippings from the Archives

## COLD WATER EXTINGUISHES FIERY FROSH

Proclamations are Delivered with Plentiful Supply of Molasses

### SEVERAL CASUALTIES

No Serious Injuries, However, During Annual Interclass Struggle — This Year's Scrap Held Entirely Out of Doors

After three-quarters of an hour of melee in which two hundred odd men attempted to drown each other in the sea of mud behind the gymnasium, the freshman class emerged with traces of molasses and proclamations on their several backs while the sophomores cheered and raised their flag of victory to the summit of the Memorial Flagpole. This traditional battle, which this year took place last Thursday evening, was carried on in a manner most satisfactory to the spectators, though rather fatiguing to the combatants.

As the two classes dragged themselves from the mud, they seemed to be united in at least one thought, that a finer and gamier fight had never been fought. For in the face of icy-water under pressure and confined by the walls of the swimming pool and the gym the freshmen offered spirited resistance to the

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Years Ago

advances of the sophomore class and only lost when the elimination method used in fixing the proclamations on their backs finally decimated their ranks.

### Frosh Barred From Ends

Enriched by the experience of last year, the Student Council, proctors, and fraternity presidents held a mass meeting on the evening set for the episode and their combined efforts kept the freshmen from organizing in the dormitories. In the open the opportunities for a fair and unobstructed competition were much greater.

The freshmen this year were exceptionally well organized and conducted themselves in a creditable manner. At the sound of the chapel bell, they fled en masse to the small quadrangle which lies to the rear of the gym next to the swimming pool. At the same time the sophomores, with a slowly accumulating force, advanced from the Delta to the gym with the suggestions of many sub-lieutenants to guide them. But though they were smaller in number than the class of '34 they moved on to the scene of the activities with a vanguard carrying a fire hose and several buckets of freshman lotion—molasses.

### Contest Is Wet

After the second-year men had conquered the intricacies of the five-sided nut of the fire-hydrant with an ordinary wrench—no easy task—they rushed the refuge of the freshmen and the battle royal began. For a few minutes the most interested spectator could see nothing but a sea of mud, a few bedraggled specimens of humanity, and countless detached articles of apparel.

None of the cheering onlookers could have cause of complaint. Taken as a whole it might have been imagined to be either a battle scene from "Macbeth" or a part of a prison riot. But when observed in its many details it appeared mostly to be a combination of a wrestling

match, a bull fight, and a lunatic asylum. For who could see clearly in the flickering lights of myriad flashlights, dimmed by the icy-spray which seemed to dampen the ardor of none?

### Little Damage Is Done

Though rivaling the battles of yore in ferocity, the chances of injury seemed to have been almost entirely removed. For throughout the whole combat no serious offence was done to anybody with the exception of the destruction of clothing which would have been sufficient to start a small-sized haberdashery.

The contest was notable for its lack of unfair methods of scrapping. Many times through the spray from

the hose men would be seen, apparently battling to the death, but upon rising their hands would be clasped in friendly congratulation.

But after the first skirmishes the tide of battle went toward the sophomores and with the exception of a scarceness of proclamations, though the molasses was in abundance, the party was an entire success.

And when the fog cleared away and the chapel bell rang out the well-won victory of the sophomores, two hundred odd men dragged their bruised bodies bedward but with the satisfaction in their hearts of having had a good, square contest in which the merits of each showed up.

From the Orient's second issue of the 1935-1936 academic year.



Courtesy of the George J. Mitchell Department of Special Collections and Archives, Bowdoin College Library

Freshmen display their "proclamations" after being beaten, unclothed, and covered in "freshman lotion—molasses" by sophomores in the ritual mud-fight "Proc Night" initiation. This tradition no longer continues at the College.

## Asaka explores

## Dr. Jeff Benson demystifies complicated new insurance system

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now enrolled in Bowdoin's new Accident and Sickness Plan through Koster Insurance. About 60 percent have waived and will rely on their own policies.

The Bowdoin plan is effective from August 15, 2005 until August 15, 2006, including the times the College is not in session.

To repeat what I wrote in last week's column, all students, regardless of their insurance plan, have unlimited access to all of the services at the Health and Counseling Centers, free of charge.

Any service that requires off-campus care, however, such as a visit to a specialist, hospitalization, or send-out lab testing, will be billed to your insurance.

It's important that you bring your insurance card with you when you see us or any off-campus providers so that the billing can be handled appropriately.

If you have other insurance, your insurer may or may not require a referral for off-campus care, and they may or may not accept a referral from Dudley Coe.

They may only allow you to see providers in their network. They also may or may not pay for send-out lab tests. It is up to you to call your insurance carrier and find out what they will allow. Their phone number is on the back of your insurance card.

If you have our plan, you must receive a referral for any off-campus care. Your providers here at Dudley Coe will take care of making your referral, as long as you see us prior to your off-campus visit.

If you see an off-campus provider without consulting us first for a referral, your Bowdoin plan will not cover your off-campus care. Important exceptions to this policy are when the Health Center is closed or when you are more than 50 miles away from campus. During those times, you can see any provider without a referral, and the charges will be covered.

If you see an outside provider, and that provider is part of the CCN Network, the Bowdoin plan will pay for 100 percent of the visit (up to the plan's maximum.) If the provider is not part of the CCN Network, the Bowdoin plan will cover 80 percent, and you will be responsible for the difference.

To learn if a provider is part of the CCN Network, you can visit [www.ccnusa.com](http://www.ccnusa.com). For our plan, there are no co-pays or extra charges for send-out lab tests.

By the way, Bowdoin plan referrals are needed to see Dr. Avery at the Health Center, or for Physical Therapy for an injury not due to IC sports (even if the PT is with Todd on-campus).

If you need to visit the Emergency Room, and are covered by the Bowdoin plan, there will be a \$50 co-pay (waived if admitted). Almost all other insurance plans will have a similar co-pay, but you should check with your provider specifically.

When you see an off-campus provider, or when you need send-out lab tests, the insurance "bill" will be sent to the insurance policy subscriber in the form of an "Explanation of Benefits" or EOB (it's the one that says across the top, "this is not a bill").

The EOB details the services provided and the amount to be billed. If you have Bowdoin's Plan, the EOB will be mailed to you at your campus address.

If you have other insurance, the EOB will be mailed to the subscriber's address (presumably your parents').

If your appointment or tests are confidential, and you don't want the subscriber to see the EOB, you must tell the provider's office not to bill your insurance and to send the bill directly to you (or simply pay at the time of the visit).

Please remember, as I mentioned last week, that Health Center lab tests which are confidential in nature, like pap tests, pregnancy tests, and STD tests for women and men, will be paid for by the Health Center and not charged out to any insurance plan.

For all student athletes, Bowdoin has secondary coverage for athletic injuries. Secondary coverage means that bills for your athletic injuries (again, injuries that require care beyond the scope of what is

offered by Dudley Coe's clinicians) will be sent first to your regular (or "primary") insurer. If there is a balance of the bill that remains unpaid by your primary insurer, it can be sent to Bowdoin's secondary insurer (a special sports policy) for payment.

There will soon be updated information on the health section of Bowdoin's web site about how to handle bills for athletic injuries.

All of this information, including details on how to read an EOB, has been summarized in a series of handouts available at the Health Center. In addition, Insurance Coordinator Leslie Hill can help answer any insurance questions you may have.

Leslie's office is on the second floor of Dudley Coe, and she can be reached at (207) 798-4284.

Please feel free to provide feedback on our new health insurance program to Leslie, or to Caitlin Guthrie, our Student Health Program Administrator (and virtual co-author of this column!).

We hope to have an insurance system in place that meets the majority of families' needs, and would truly welcome your suggestions as to how we can improve Bowdoin's insurance offerings.

Be well!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center

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## Ben unfolds stories behind music

iTunes album features interviews with pop pianist

by Steve Kolowich  
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On the heels of his second solo LP *Songs for Silverman*, released last spring, Ben Folds has put out a 28-track album of live and studio recordings, including speaking tracks in which he explains the origins of his music and his background as a musician. The album was made in conjunction with iTunes, and has been made available exclusively through the iTunes online music store.

*iTunes Originals*—Ben Folds features a variety of new recordings from different periods in the 39-year-old artist's musical career, ranging from "Philosophy," the second track off Ben Folds Five's self-titled first album, to "Landed," the hit single off of *Songs for Silverman*. There are eight new recordings in total, in addition to eight reproduced recordings from previous albums.

While the new recordings are intriguing to Folds fans who are bored of listening to the same versions of their favorite songs, very few of them offer anything new to the listener. For the most part, the recordings contain the same melodies, harmonies, and tempos as their previous incarnations (although the songs from Folds' days with Five have noticeably cleaner harmony parts).



courtesy of www.baldwin.com

Ben Folds has always been a very colloquial lyricist. In his new iTunes album, he candidly exposes the underpinnings of many of his songs.

The most notable exceptions to this rule are "Philosophy" and "Bastard." "Philosophy," known for its wild alto in which Folds manically quotes Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" before attempting to splinter the keys with his fists, is lengthened to include an extended alto in which Folds also plays several rapid bars in a blues scale before ending with a frenzied adaptation of "Chopsticks."

Though the new ending is fun, the

rest of the song is perceptibly less energetic than the *Ben Folds Five* recording. This seems to fit in with a trend in Folds' music, which, since he began his solo career, has sacrificed temperate, rough-edged energy for a smoother, more refined sound.

"Bastard" features an updated bridge characterized by elaborate vocal harmonies, a revision that Folds

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## Psychic to hypnotize students in Smith

by Francis Killea  
STAFF WRITER

Robert Channing is not the loudly-dressed, mysteriously muttering psychic of carnival tradition. Pictures on his website depict him in casual garb, sometimes a suit, and his resume boasts of success in entertaining corporate events. The feats he'll perform tonight won't

performer who will draw the most humiliating tales from the subconscious.

Friday's show is free and open to students and the local community. Channing's performance promises to entertain anyone in attendance—determining the amount of change in a volunteer's pocket, reciting social security numbers, and remembering your important

Determining the amount of change in a volunteer's pocket, reciting social security numbers, and remembering your important dates for you are just a few of Channing's talents.

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Channing has been sharing his talents for almost 20 years, touring schools all over the country, including the University of Maine-Machias and the University of New England.

His website, www.robertchanning.com, is riddled with positive testimonials from

students and businessmen alike. He has appeared on many of the major television networks, including NBC and Fox.

Just in case Channing's skills and tricks sound a little too unbelievable, Channing provides a toll-free number that anyone can call—and he'll tell you what you're wearing.

into his stunts as he bends spoons without physical force and asks questions the audience will pose—without actually reading the pieces of paper they've written on.

Channing will predict the future and perhaps toss in a little hypnotism. According to his homepage, however, the audience may rest assured that he is not the type of

## Wagner's new novel Beauty pulls its weight

by Kathryn Papanek  
CONTRIBUTOR

Imagine a world where big really is beautiful, where everyone aspires to be heavy and where people respond to "I just lost weight" with "That's too bad."

In this world, women's magazines run stories on "How to exercise for health without losing weight," the girl in the shampoo commercial has a double chin, and flight attendants have a minimum weight requirement.

In Andrea Rains Wagner's novel *Alternate Beauty*, this is the world in which plus size Ronnie Tremayne wakes up the morning (after a night of binge-eating Doritos and peanut butter) to a different world. In our world, Ronnie is a struggling fashion designer whose size prevents her from being taken seriously. Her slender, socialite mother mocks her, most men ignore her, and her boss tells her she will lose her job at the plus-size boutique if Ronnie does not lose weight.

In the new world, everything changes. Ronnie discovers that her corpulence is a sizable asset, both in the workplace and in her private life. Suddenly she gains the acceptance of her mother, has a hot new boyfriend, and, most importantly, gets a chance to create a clothing line based on her designs.

Ronnie is a likeable, if not particularly memorable heroine, and it's nice to see her get the success she deserves. But the most fun part of the novel is seeing the finely drawn world where Ronnie finds herself.

Details like women dieting to fit into larger sizes and obese cast members on Baywatch draw the reader further into the alternate world and are so much fun to read that one wishes the author had included more of them.

And while Wagner's focus seems to be to recount Ronnie's personal journey rather than to impart any overt political message, her book does force readers to reexamine the prejudices that prevail in our own world. After all, it's no secret that weight is a rather, well, weighty issue for many Americans. Cover stories focusing on the changing sizes of celebrities such as Nicole Richie, Lindsay Lohan, and Kirstie Alley, seem to be a recent staple of People and US Weekly. There has been a recent explosion of books such as Judith Moore's memoir *Fat Girl* and *I'm Not the New Me*, Wendy McClure's collection of short stories based on her weight loss blog, "Poundy."

By showing us a world where the standards of beauty are reversed,

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## Exorcism warrants prosecution

by Gabe Kornbluh  
CONTRIBUTOR

The prosecution presents Exhibit A to the courtroom: *The Exorcism of Emily Rose*. It's a frustrating little film, sandwiched by titles claiming that the story it tells is based on a real event.

Curiously, *The Exorcism of Emily Rose* is not really about an exorcism at all. It isn't even a horror film. It is, in fact, a drawn-out, courtroom "thinker" chronicling the trial of Father Moore (Tom Wilkinson), whose attempt to perform the religious ritual of exorcism leaves the possessed, the young Emily Rose, dead. Laura Linney steps in as Erin Bruner, a teeth-gnashing DA with a heart of ice, the better to keep her daily alcohol intake chilled while defending the sleaziest of sleazes. P—when she realizes that she must step outside of her usual realm of fact-based reasoning in order to unravel Father Moore's prime defense, the audience realizes that \$8.50 is a lot of money.

With the majority of the film taking place in court (shot by director Scott Derrickson in delicate measurements of one part chunk, two parts yawn), the viewers feel that they are indeed part of a jury. Not, as the filmmakers would like, however, part of the "onscreen" jury, which serves as our surrogate conscience when deciding who shall take the blame for Emily's death. Instead the viewers are the jurors in a case of trickery and failure and the director responsible is on trial.



courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Despite what its title implies, *The Exorcism of Emily Rose* had very few scenes depicting exorcism.

Film criticism often feels like cross-examination, and since it's the closest I'd like to come to being a lawyer, I will continue this review as head prosecutor. Consider my next bit of evidence, Exhibit B: The 1973 classic *The Exorcist*. Here is a movie that, understandably, has a great shadow, one that Emily Rose cannot seem to escape.

Watching *Rose*, one gets a sense of

a sibling inferiority complex at work. Indeed, the measly portions of the movie that actually involve the exorcism itself are hopelessly similar to and less intriguing than their older, more modest brethren. *Emily Rose* contorts itself as wickedly as a PG-13 rating would allow in attempts to

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## In Alternate world, weight wins out

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Wagner brings a fresh voice to the subject and also reveals how much people are judged by their weight in our own world. Things that are commonplace in the alternate world—a 300-pound Bond girl, for example—but would be unthinkable in our own, also draw attention to how narrow, both figuratively and literally, the prevailing perception of attractiveness has become.

In addition, the lengths—such as hiring eating coaches or being so overweight that their health is

endangered—show how ridiculous similar practices are in our reality.

Ronnie discovers many of these truths herself when her new life in the alternate world gives her an appetite for more than just food. But as her cravings subside, Ronnie discovers to her chagrin that her new opportunities are shrinking as quickly as her waistline.

All in all, Wagner's *Alternate Beauty* blends together a mix of physics, fashion, and romance to give the readers food for thought and show them a world where beauty really is relative.

## The Exorcism of Emily Rose haunted by shortcomings

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escape this comparison. Because Director Derrickson's fear of similarity is so apparent, however, it becomes self-fulfilling.

In the end, the film claims to be about the battle between faith and fact, as Erin and Father Moore scramble to give Emily's death some semblance of meaning. It's a race to give devout belief the credit it deserves in a world where scrutiny rules and all doubtful attorneys bear frightening resemblances to weasels.

The finale is less than stellar, but more importantly it is self-defeating.

If the characters in the film need to have "faith" explicitly spelled out for them in order to believe, then the sanctity that defines it is lost. What makes faith so respectable is, after all, its ability to exist without any manifestation of proof. Unfortunately, Mr. Derrickson allows these two worlds to mingle in a clear effort to appease the audience. Thus, one is not only unable to enjoy *The Exorcism of Emily Rose*; one is equally unable to admire it.

Director Derrickson may still have a solid defense. He might argue that I'm missing the point entirely; that his film is about giving people hope

and was never meant as a self-conscious retreat of *The Exorcist*. "Have faith," he might say, "Have faith."

In a final shrug of misguided effort typical of his film, he would offer up Emily Rose's last weekend box-office success as proof of his caliber as a director. In response, I would be a particularly nasty prosecutor and finish with this final piece of evidence: Derrickson's only film of note prior to making Emily Rose, the straight-to-DVD gem, *Hellraiser: Inferno*.

Cue shot of disgruntled, bleary eyed jurors. Court adjourned.

## Album explores beneath Folds

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incorporated into live shows during his tour last summer.

But the draw of this album is not the music. While Folds' lyrics have always been extraordinarily honest and conversational, *iTunes Originals*' speaking tracks give the listener the opportunity to hear Folds talk candidly about his childhood, his introduction to music, and the people and events in his life that inspired his most poignant compositions, unfettered by the poetic limits of lyricism.

At the beginning of the album, Folds talks about his first incidences of exposure to music.

"There was no live music...no musical instruments in my house as a kid," he says. His family's first piano was acquired incidentally by Folds' father, to whom it was bartered as payment for a remodeling job his client could not afford.

This type of compensation was not uncommon for Folds' dad, who did much of his work in the poorer, predominantly African-American parts of town, where his clients, many of them fans of R&B, often paid him in vinyl albums. Young Ben was the beneficiary of these exchanges, accumulating a formidable collection of R&B albums, including those by Ike and Tina Turner, Otis Redding, and Sly and the Family Stone.

Folds attributes his understanding of music as a celebratory art to his early R&B influences.

Noticeable throughout his entire body of work has been Folds' tendency to paint lyrical portraits of made-up people. With regard to this motif of character-based songs, he describes it on one of the *iTunes Originals* tracks as a way to "write about yourself without being emotionally lewd." A pleasant, simpler recording of his song "Alice Childress" follows this explanation.

As any Folds fan would expect, the most candid speaking track, entitled "A Really Tough Year," provides an in-depth discussion of the background for his band's first pop hit, "Brick." While it is common knowledge among Folds fans that the song is about an abortion, it is fascinating to hear Folds explain exactly how literally the lyrics reflect the reality of the subject matter. The most poignant moment of the track is when Folds recalls his parents walking into a pawn shop and seeing him trying to sell the cassette player his whole family had collaborated to buy him as a Christmas gift. Folds needed the money to pay for his girlfriend's procedure.

While *iTunes Originals*—Ben Folds offers very little in the way of musical novelty, it is essential to the collection of any Folds enthusiast, and useful to anyone who wants to know the underpinnings of his music.

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# Heavy and tall boys will knock you over

by Carter Thomas  
COLUMNIST

SEA DOG BLUE PAW WHEAT ALE—(\$6.99 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

This fine brew has become a Maine favorite over recent years, integrating the taste of wild Maine blueberries with a smooth, wheat ale body. Much like other flavored beers, the Blue Paw is very sweet and noticeably enchanting, causing people to fall into the trap of taking the first sip and thinking they can drink it all night. Unfortunately, after the glass is empty, the blueberries suddenly taste a little too sweet. I like to start my tab with a tall, cold Blue Paw because of its unique flavorings, but I recommend that one move to a less pungent drink as the night continues, such as a pale ale or car bomb. Furthermore, it is important to remember that the Blue Paw, though blueberry-flavored, is in fact similar in appearance to most other beers. Vanessa Kitchen '06 was cripplingly disappointed when she bought her first six-pack saying, "I thought this beer was supposed to be blue." An honest mistake, but disheartening nonetheless. I recommend Blue Paw when it is on tap, though the bottles are a great alternative. *My ratings: Taste: 4, Partyability: 2, Cost/Benefit Ratio: 3.*

BUDWEISER—(\$4.99 a six-pack, available anywhere in America)  
Over the years, Budweiser has secured itself as a staple of the American experience, a prominent accessory at sporting events, Fourth of July celebrations, and tailgate parties. Originally brewed in Missouri, this lager has taken on the name Bud Diesel or Bud Heavy by college students everywhere because of its thick, rich flavors that can make you feel very full after only a few drinks. Despite its moderate alcohol content (five percent), Budweiser has a tendency to utilize the placebo effect, making drinkers think they are enjoying themselves more than they actually are, so make sure you're not that guy. Recently, Bud

bottles have become a popular medium for consumption, coming in 12- and 20-packs, cramming in all the flavor you would find in a can or keg. All in all, Budweiser is a great beer that has always satisfied drinkers and will continue to provide crisp, full refreshment at American cookouts for years to come. *My ratings: Taste: 3.5, Partyability: 4, Cost/Benefit Ratio: 4.*

PABST BLUE RIBBON—(\$3.99 for a six-pack of tall boys, available at Hannaford)

Pabst is quickly becoming the bottom shelf beer of choice for party goers everywhere because of its bearable taste and cheap prices. Known for the 16-ounce "tall boy" cans, this lager (surprisingly brewed in Texas) has a flavor reminiscent of a Budweiser or Miller Genuine Draft, but with a noticeably poor aftertaste. It, like its lager counterparts, is a relatively thick beer that easily fills you up but continues to be a favorite for college students. The most popular form of Pabst is a keg because it boasts one of the cheapest prices. Pabst is also unique because, unlike other lesser quality beers, it is socially acceptable to buy a six-pack of tall boys. Mike Chute '06 explained, "Yeah, I drank a 12-ounce once but it didn't taste right. I guess I'm just a tall-boy kind of guy." If you are looking for a good, solid beer to get the party started, Pabst could be just what you're looking for. *My ratings: Taste: 2, Partyability: 4.5 Cost/Benefit Ratio: 4 (for cans), 4.5 (for tall boys).*

## CORRECTIONS

-In last week's beer review, Rolling Rock beer was said to have originated in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Rolling Rock actually comes from Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

-In last week's restaurant review "G.C. Variety is spice of life," the writer said that the hostess of the diner is 80 years old. Helen Michaud is actually 59 years old. The Orient regrets the error.

## Curator of Iraqi art speaks



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Former U.S. Army reserve major and Baghdad-based art curator Corine Wegener spoke last night in Kresge Auditorium about the looting of the Iraqi National Museum.

## Campus band plays for crowd at Jack McGee's



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The Jason Spooner band played for a full room of pubgoers late last night.

## New Pancho Villa es muy bueno

by Victoria Tudor  
CONTRIBUTOR

Competition for the best Mexican restaurant in Brunswick, Maine: Pedro O'Hara on Maine Street, El Camino on Cushing Street, and the new Hacienda Pancho Villa on Pleasant Street.

The verdict: Pancho Villa just might be ahead of the pack.

Walking into the restaurant you are transported to a Mexican hacienda with vibrant yellow and earthy tones, brick trim, and brightly colored chairs. Mariachi music plays quietly in the background, as well as some modern day *famosos* like Julieta Venegas. Be sure to ask for a booth in one of the more intimate coves to authenticate your experience.

Upon taking your seat, you are promptly served oven warm tortilla chips with a daring salsa. The guacamole appetizer is not to be missed; while it's a little overzealous with the onions, overall, it's a better recipe than most restaurants. ¡Cuidado! Don't fill up on these tasty numbers; your meal is still to come!

To add to the atmosphere, all food is served on the seemingly appropriate fiesta ware (vintage ceramic plate ware) in the most vibrant colors.

The menu is ample with choices for any appetite. With tacos, quesadillas, burritos, *flautas*, tamales, and much more, it's difficult to decide. For the not so adventurous, standard hamburgers are available. The menu also includes some healthier options for those so inclined.

Choosing between one of the various combination plates is the best idea. And you can create your very own meal. These plates come with delicious *frijoles* (refried beans) and rice.

All entrées are available with chicken, ground beef, or a few different vegetarian options. Although not always listed, be sure to ask for *carne asada* (steak) with the enchiladas or *tostadas* (only \$1.00 extra). My friend and I decided to share a



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

In addition to lunch and dinner menus, Pancho Villa boasts a diverse selection of Mexican beers.

combination plate with an enchilada, *tostada*, and *tamale*—this was plenty for two with a little doggy bag accompanying us home. All items fall pretty short on the spicy factor, but for those who are daring enough, order the Burritos MACHO with the "xxxtra" special sauce.

Our chicken *tamale* was delicious but it lacked that special zing. The *tostada* with the crispy shell was topped with fresh veggies and it was enhanced with our extra guacamole. The enchilada sauce was also good, but could have been made with a spicier chipotle.

Be sure not to miss the delicious homemade chicken tortilla soup with diced avocado, fresh tomatoes, large chunks of grilled chicken breast, and lots of crispy tortilla strips.

On the drinks menu, killer margaritas in various flavors are tempting. For you kiddies out there, all these have the option of being made virgin.

Also impressive, the menu boasts eight Mexican beers along with your usual domestic options. *Horchata* (a delicious rice water drink particular to Mexico) is also available only

upon request.

To round out your meal, how could you leave without a little *postre*? Although the dessert menu is minimal, it does offer your classics. You cannot pass up a home-made flan or fried ice cream. Another dessert, *Banuelos* (something foreign to me) is a deep-fried taco shell sprinkled with powdered sugar, honey and topped with whipped cream (watch out if you're making a trip to the dentist any time soon).

While the prices seem a little high for your average college student, you get plenty of food for your money. Splitting entrees is a good idea for those who don't want to spend too much.

So why is this restaurant leading the pack in the quest for best authentic Mexican food in Brunswick? Well, beside the tasty meal and infectious atmosphere (though I wanted to, dancing was not allowed), Pancho Villa flaunts impeccable service and a friendly staff. The dining room is spacious and meals are served promptly. It's no surprise the owners are set to open another restaurant in South Portland later this year.





# SPORTS

## WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

Men's Soccer  
at Bates  
vs. Rhode Island

1-0 W  
5-2 W

Women's Soccer  
at Bridgewater State  
at Babson

3-0 W  
2-0 W

Field Hockey  
at Wesley College  
at Wheaton  
at Husson

2-1 W  
1-0 W  
6-0 W

Golf  
Bowdoin Invitational

5th  
of 14

Men's Cross Country  
New England Invitational

1st  
of 7

Women's Cross Country  
New England Invitational

1st  
of 6

Women's Volleyball  
at Colby

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vs. St. Maine (at Colby)

3-0 W

vs. Machias (at Colby)

3-0 W

vs. Gordon (at Colby)

3-2 W

## Football team poised for a successful season



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The football team scrimmages in preparation for upcoming season opener.

by Chris Buccì  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Football Team seems poised for success this season with a strong roster of returning players who have demonstrated significant improvement over the past few seasons. Coaches and fans saw the team come into preseason in great shape and ready to make its mark on the league.

Last year's wins against Tufts and Bates illustrate the team's ability to turn around its reputation. Bowdoin's overtime losses to Hamilton and Amherst gave the team needed experience playing under pressure.

Most importantly, the team can sense a change in the program's mentality and goals.

According to wide receiver Scott Brisson '06, "The most encouraging sign is that the coaches expect us to practice like we are one of the best teams in the league. We need to get out of the mentality that games we win need to be close. We need to think that if we lose, to some of the teams on our schedule it would be an upset."

Captain and linebacker Shaun Kezer '06 echoes Brisson's sentiments. "We've improved drasti-

cally over the past few years, but improvement isn't enough anymore," Kezer said. "It's time to win games."

The offense certainly has enough weapons to torch opponents this year on the ground and in the air. Although last year's workhorse Rob Patchett '05 graduated, the team will be able to split carries with the thunder and lightning combination of Matt Boyd '06 and Ahron Cohen '06. Boyd, with a 230 pound frame, will run over linebackers in short yardage situations, while Cohen's ankle-breaking moves and quick acceleration will allow for big play opportunities.

Teams cannot stack the line against the Bears' running game because wide receivers, Jeff Nolin and Scott Brisson, both seniors will take off the corners in man coverage.

The ability of the wide receiver is something no Bowdoin football fan need question. "I expect to be the best wideout in the league. Our wideout group is stacked. Coach Morin will look like the best positions' coach in the NESCAC," Brisson said.

The only way those big plays will have a chance is if a young

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## Men's tennis confident

by Nick Day  
CONTRIBUTOR

With a young and talented squad, the men's tennis team is looking forward to another successful season.

"I'm psyched for this fall," said Andrew Fried '08. "The team has a lot of potential."

Although men's tennis graduated five seniors last spring, a solid core of sophomores including Noah Buntman, Armin Drake, Fried, and Garrett Gates will anchor the young squad.

First years Alex Caughron, Nick Day, Blake Wheale, and Alex White have also demonstrated considerable potential and talent. Andrew McDonald '07 and Sam Bitetti '07 are abroad this semester and will rejoin the team in the spring.

The Polar Bears look to build on last season's success, when the team went 11-5 and earned a national ranking of 14th. "We had an awesome season this past spring," Fried said.

After several weeks of practicing, conditioning, team dinners, and other team activities, the team has strengthened its play on the court and team chemistry off the court.

"The team this fall has really come together," Buntman said.

The team's first test will be this weekend's

Middlebury Invitational. At the tournament, Bowdoin players will be placed into various singles draws, and then join forces with a teammate to play doubles.

"I'm pretty fired up about this weekend," said Buntman.

"The competition's gonna be tough, but we've been working incredibly hard both during practice and conditioning. It's been a very productive past couple of weeks, and we're

all prepared to do well at Middlebury," he added.

Tournament play starts at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Men's tennis player serves ball.

## Cross country outpaces competition



Courtesy of Sarah Podmanickzy

Senior Ben Martens, second from the right, leads sophomores, Nate Krah, Steve Bartus, and John Hall during the team's first race last Saturday at the University of New England in Biddeford.

by Scot McFarlane  
CONTRIBUTOR

Bowdoin Men's Cross Country kicked their season off with a bang at the University of New England in Biddeford.

It was a very successful race, with the Polar Bears taking first place with a score of 17, with 15 being the top score. After having not attended the meet for a few

years, the team chose to participate this year in part because of senior co-captain Ben Martens' nostalgia for his first 8k college race.

This race was a great preview of what to expect this fall, including the team's goal to become one of the top three teams in the NESCAC. Last week's results are especially heartening for the team, since

three varsity runners co-captain Andrew Combs '06, Quentin Reeve '07, and first year Archie Abrams, did not compete in the race.

The course itself was more challenging than Bowdoin's home course; among several obstacles was a hairpin turn that sent many runners flying into a

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## Volleyball looks strong

by Jessica Brookes  
CONTRIBUTOR

The women's volleyball team starts its 2005 season with a solid squad of ten returning players and two first-years. Head Coach Kellie Bearman voiced a positive outlook for this year's team.

"Some of [the girls] have played together for three years, and the team chemistry is coming together quickly this season, which is very exciting," she said.

The Bears are strengthened this year by two first years, Alex Keeney and Roxy Vargas. Keeney, a Washington state native, shows strength and focus from the outside, and Vargas, hailing from California, should prove to be a strong asset to the team as well. Seniors Ellie Simon, Kelly Bougere, and Sarita Fu lead the team, bring strong attributes to the team, each possessing dignity, honor, and sharp volleyball skills. Also, the addition of a new assistant coach, Karen Corey, strengthens this year's coaching staff.

Led by co-captains Ellie Simon '06 and Julie Calareso '07, the Polar Bears emitted a strong arctic presence at their first scrimmage last week. The team transferred this success over to the weekend, when it competed in the Colby Invitational.

At the Invitational, the women in black and white spandex went 3-1 for the weekend against the University of Southern Maine, Colby, Gordon, and U-Maine-Machias. On Friday, Bowdoin defeated USM in three games, helped 29 assists from Margo Linton '08 and nine kills from Julie Calareso '07. Junior Jess Brooks also contributed nine kills and four aces.

In the second match of the competition, Colby defeated Bowdoin, but Ellie Simon '06 still pulled eight kills.

On Saturday, the Bears emerged victorious from a 3-2 battle against Gordon and managed to keep Machias under 15 points per game in a 3-0 win. Against Machias, Erin Prifogle '07 set a school record by racking up 12 aces, part of a team high of 35 aces. Linton, due to her stellar setting skills, earned All-Tournament honors for the weekend.

Sophomore defensive specialist Kristen Lee expressed a positive overall attitude with the team's first competition.

"[This weekend] was a good way to start the season off strong. We were able to get good competitive play in and see what we still need to work on," she said.

The Women's volleyball team will challenge NESCAC rival Amherst today at Colby.

## Men's cross country runs smart race

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pine tree. The team showed great cohesiveness, staying in two packs for much of the race before each runner went out on his own.

As seventh place finish sophomore John Hall said, "we followed the plan pretty well."

Running in the first pack were eventual race champion Owen McKenna '07 and sophomores

Nate Krah and Tim Katlik, who took second and third respectively. Rounding out the first pack of Bowdoin runners was Martens with a 4th place finish.

Before the race, co-captain Combs' advice to the team to was "stay relaxed." The team did just that, keeping its cool and focusing on the race. Bowdoin will face off against Colby on Saturday, September 24.

## Men's soccer defeats Bates Bobcats



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior captain Andrew Russo faces a player from Rhode Island College in Wednesday's game.

by Vanessa Kitchen  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Soccer Team returned with a 1-0 win from their first game of the season against Bates College last Saturday.

Bowdoin dominated Bates in the first 20 minutes of play, but was not able to put any shots in the net. The Polar Bears had seven shots in the first half and the Bobcats had six. Goalie Nathan Lovitz '08 kept the score 0-0 despite many good attempts taken by Bates.

In the second half, the Polar Bears focused on their offense. Taking six shots on goal, keeping Bates goalie Aaron Schleicher on his toes.

With just five minutes remaining, an assist from Willie Waters '06 to

Simon Parsons '07 saved the Polar Bears from overtime. It was the seventh goal of Parson's career at Bowdoin.

Bates' Terrence O'Connell had an opportunity to tie the match in the final minute after being rewarded a free kick just outside the 18-yard box. His set-piece sailed just high of Bowdoin's net.

"Bates is always a tough game. They're always gunning for us. We had to work harder than them and step up our game in order to secure the win," said senior co-captain Mike Crowley.

The men's soccer team has won their season openers for the past 12 years. In 2004, the Polar Bears defeated the Bobcats at home in the season opener with a 2-1 victory.

Co-captains Crowley and Waters, as well as Andrew Russo '06, credited new head coach Fran O'Leary with their improvement, especially their overall fitness and strategy.

O'Leary worked the team hard in preseason with a great deal of running and drills designed to get the team into peak physical condition. According to Waters, O'Leary has brought his own style of soccer to Bowdoin.

The success of the team this season will depend greatly on the seniors: high-scoring forward Andrew Russo '06, tough midfielders Brendan Fisher '06 and Hoehbus Isaac '06, and powerhouse defenders Crowley, Waters, and Ethan Galloway '06.

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## Athlete of the Issue: Ben Martens



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Senior Ben Martens is an integral component of the men's xc team.

by Joe Berte  
CONTRIBUTOR

Many people seek success, but for senior Ben Martens, success is not something he wants; it is something he already has. Martens began finding success in running, while attending ConVal High School in Peterborough, New Hampshire. He excelled in cross country.

At ConVal, the crowning moment of his athletic career was winning the New Hampshire State Championship with his cross country team during his junior year.

That pivotal season, when he led his high school team to its first championship in 20 years is something he says that he will never forget. This moment was only the start of success as a

leader and runner.

After completing his senior year of high school, Ben was determined to contend at the next level. He has only improved since arriving at Bowdoin. He enters the 2005 season not only as a four-year runner and co-captain, but as one of the top runners in the NESCAC.

As the season unfolds, Ben has high expectations for the team and for himself. He is certain that hard work will allow them to reach their ultimate potential. Strong opponents don't worry him.

"NESCAC is going to be a tough division this year with Williams and Tufts returning with most of their top runners, but if our team remains healthy we will give both teams a race. When we are healthy there isn't a team in NESCAC that we can't run with," Martens said.

"Running is all about having fire and rising to the occasion, so my goal for the season is to race to my potential, catch fire, and have a great year," he added.

At Bowdoin, Martens has credited the practices and his relationship with the rest of the team with his improvement. For Martens, memorable moments are made each practice while training with the team.

Despite his hectic schedule, Martens tries to make time to accommodate his other interests. Finding time to hang out with roommates and friends here at Bowdoin, mountain biking, playing frisbee, and reading are important to the all-star runner. Martens also enjoys eating bagels, his favorite food, from his father's bagel shop.

Although Martens will be graduating this spring, he will be remembered for his contributions both on and off the trails.



## Sport Shorts

## Men's Rugby

The men's rugby team played a scrimmage against Bates last Saturday at its home field. In the match, the Polar Bears beat the Bobcats, scoring three tries to Bates' zero. The victory proved especially sweet for Bowdoin, as Bates handed the Polar Bears their only defeat last year. The rugby team begins its regular season this weekend with a game against Maine Maritime.

## Field Hockey

Lindsay McNamara '09 led the field hockey team to victory over Wellesley College on Saturday, scoring both goals in the 2-1 game. The following day, the Polar Bears triumphed over Wheaton College, 1-0, with Christi Gannon '06 scoring the winning goal.

## Men's Golf

The men's golf team placed fifth at the Bowdoin Invitational last weekend on the Polar Bear's home course. The Bears finished with a total score of 636, 29 points above the winning team, University of Southern Maine. Top individual finishers for Bowdoin included Brandon Malloy '07, who took fourth place and Jeff Cutter '09, who finished seventh.

## Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team dominated over Bridgewater State in its opening game last Saturday, 3-0. Ivy Blackmore '08, Claire Cutting '08, and Danielle Chagnon '06 contributed all scored for the team. Bowdoin continued to dominate on Wednesday, with Ann Zeigler '08 scoring the winning goal in the team's 2-0 defeat of Babson.

## Sailing

At the Captain Hurt Bowl held this past weekend, the sailing team finished in tenth place out of 24 teams. A significant improvement from last year's 18th place, Bowdoin placed ahead of teams from Georgetown, Tufts, Dartmouth and Brown. The team sails again this weekend when it playshost to the Casco Bay Open.

## Waterpolo

The upcoming season looks bright for the Bowdoin Water Polo Team. The team, led by captains and returning starters Ian Kyle '06 and Jason Lewis '06, welcomes a strong force of new first year players, most notably Dave Swanson, a five-year veteran of the sport. The team returns to competition October 1.

## Saturday Schedule: Bears in Action!

Sailing, Casco Bay Open, 9:30 a.m.

Women's Soccer, vs. Colby, 11:00 a.m.

Field Hockey, vs. Colby, 11:30 a.m.

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## Football looks forward to successful season

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and inexperienced offensive line can keep senior quarterback Ricky Leclerc on his feet. Tight-end Jared Prichard '06 said, "Ricky's health will be key because we get a lot of miles out of him when we're healthy, and we're a different team without him." Last year Leclerc suffered a shoulder injury that sidelined him for almost half the season. When he returned he set two Bowdoin records with 395 yards passing and 32 completions against Amherst.

After lighting up the Lord Jeff's secondary, it's clear that opposing teams will be bringing the house to try to stop him. If the young offensive line can hold up, look for Leclerc to go both downfield to his deep-threat receivers and over the middle to his big safety-net, Pritchard.

On the other side of the ball the Polar Bears return hard-hitting

linebackers Kezer '06 and John Regan '07, also an experienced secondary, who has game breaking potential.

Steve Curwen '06 was a two-time defensive player of the week last year, and Brendan Murphy '07 solidified his role as the team's lock-down corner. Dave Donahue '07 and Mike Minogue '06 will anchor the veteran secondary, but don't be surprised to see Donahue at linebacker and Sean Welch '09 at safety.

This coming weekend the Polar Bears will scrimmage Tufts. Their season officially begins on September 24 with a home game against Middlebury.

Cohen is eagerly anticipating the game and is prepared to show the Bowdoin Community the new face of football. "The fact that we open at home against Middlebury is great because it gives us an opportunity right away to show what we can do this year," Cohen said.

## Women's cross country races ahead



Courtesy of Kathy Podmaniczky

The women's cross country team warms-up together before their first meet of the season, the University of New England Invitational.

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The sun shown brightly on the women's cross country team this past Saturday for the first meet of the season, the University of New England Invitational.

The women demonstrated the team's strength, winning the meet with 16 points. The Polar Bears finished comfortably ahead of second-place University of New England

and third-place Endicott.

Bowdoin took the first six places in the 5k race. Sophomore Courtney Eustace won the race. She led almost from the start with a finish of 20:23 minutes and was followed by junior Kristen Brownell, who took second with a time of 20:35 minutes.

Amy Abcam '08 finished one second behind Brownell. Fellow sophomore Laura Onderko sprinted to the finish to take fourth, with promising first-year runner, Lindsay Schickner

close behind finishing fifth for the Polar Bears and sixth overall.

Leading Bowdoin's next group to the finish were juniors Alex Knapp and Jamie Knight, who took ninth and tenth, respectively. Continuing Bowdoin's charge to the finish was Sarah Podmaniczky '08, who is still recovering from injury.

First-year Elissa Gervais finished only two seconds behind Podmaniczky with a 12th place finish. Fellow first-year Jessica Sokolow followed Gervais, sprinting to a 15th place finish. Brigitta Polson '08 took 19th with her fastest season-opening time.

Co-captain senior Jill Schweitzer finished five seconds behind Polson to take 20th. Four seconds later Aisha Woodward '08 finished, taking 21st.

Before the race, Coach Peter Slovenski advised his runners to go out conservatively in the first mile. He divided them into different pace groups so the women would have teammates to run with throughout the race. The tactic served the women well; they finished in close packs with the first five runners within 24 seconds of one another.

The Polar Bears will face rival Colby at home on Saturday, September 24.

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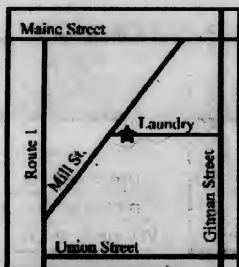
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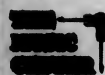
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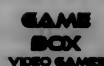


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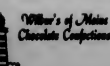
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## Balancing the book burden

The renovations planned for Moore Hall, slated to begin in 2006, will force Bowdoin to find a new, permanent home for its textbook annex. This move provides the College with an opportunity to reevaluate how textbooks are bought and sold by students.

The annex is well ordered, its staff exceptionally friendly and accommodating, each with knowledge of Bowdoin's professors, course offerings, and required readings. The process of purchasing your books is made relatively painless—until you reach the cash register. At a time when the price of a Bowdoin education is one of the highest in the nation, the cost of textbooks only adds to the burden on Bowdoin students and their families.

There is a way to work to alleviate this weight. The College should release textbook titles to students before each semester begins instead of only listing such information in the textbook annex. This would give students time to research their options, such as surfing online book stores and auction sites. Some sites may offer cheaper books; some may charge more. If it is the case that the mail center would be overburdened by a flood of textbook deliveries at the beginning of each semester, surely it could be flexible and perhaps hire more students to work during that period. But the fact that students are expected to simply come to campus with no prior knowledge of the books they will be expected to purchase is unreasonable.

Institutions of higher learning thrive on easy and open access to information. The fact that the College does not facilitate any method for students to obtain information about required textbooks goes against this basic tenet.

Students may well discover that the superior service they find at the easily-accessible textbook annex could prove to be their best option. However, Bowdoin prides itself on allowing students considerable freedom in making their own choices. The College should extend this philosophy to students' financial choices as well.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Contributor apologizes for her mistake

To the Editors:  
I am writing in regard to the complaints received concerning a review I wrote for last week's issue of the Orient.

I misreported the age of a hostess at Grand City Variety, and for that I apologize.

In addition, I understand that my description of "silent old couples who have nothing to say to each other and wouldn't be able to hear if they did" was taken offensively. My intention was not to offend, mock, or generalize, but I am sorry if my words were interpreted that way, and I apologize for that as well.

Sincerely,  
Leslie Bridgers '06

### EDITORS' NOTE:

Please see correction on page 8.

### Celebrating the older individual

To the Editors:  
As a longtime reader, and fan, of your newspaper, I'd like to comment on the review of Grand City Variety that appeared in the Sept. 9 issue. The writer grasped the importance of the store and its restaurant as a true Brunswick landmark and legend. The food may not be cordon bleu, but it's healthy, tasty, and very affordable. Any Brunswick resident will tell you that it's their favorite, bar none. Grand City belongs to that class of store that, in the words of an old Maine saying, "carries everything from a lady's fart to a thunderclap!"

I write a column for seniors or, to use the proper expression, "older adults," for the Times Record. "It's Our Time," now in its seventh year, deals with aging gracefully and healthily, exercising not only the body but the mind as well. That's one of the reasons why I bristled at a sentence in Leslie Bridgers' otherwise fine review—the one about the "silent old couples who have nothing left to say to each other and wouldn't be able to hear if they did."

That's a very judgmental statement, and it irks me—not to mention the 70- and 80-year-olds who have told me they object to it as well.

Many of us audit classes at Bowdoin, and we cherish the opportunity to revisit what we studied when we were in college or to learn something new! As an auditor of Italian, I have progressed from intermediate to advanced Italian literature classes in six years. I know many others who have had similar experiences.

Yes, there are "silent old couples," but there are also 80-year-olds who still wield a mean tennis racket, who win swimming gold in the Senior Olympics, who are proficient in yoga and tai chi, who can crunch their abs with the best of them, who work with stability balls

and are developing amazing feats of balance. Some of them even wear hearing aids, but they have plenty to say.

Thank you for this opportunity to celebrate the older adult.

Sincerely,  
Gloria Smith  
Member  
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### EDITORS' NOTE:

The editors wish to remind readers that commentaries published in the Orient are not intended to reflect the views of the entire Bowdoin community or the Orient editors.

### Law for anti-discrimination passed fairly

To the Editors:  
In a recent advertisement for a guest speaker, the Bowdoin College Republicans invited us to learn about "John Baldacci's radical attempt to rewrite the laws in Maine."

This phrase was in reference to the anti-discrimination law that was passed earlier this year which states that individuals can not be denied employment, housing, or education in Maine based solely on their sexual orientation.

Before we begin a debate about this law, I thought I would simply state the facts about how it was passed.

No matter what the Bowdoin College Republicans want you to believe, this law does not represent a hijacking of the state government by John Baldacci.

The law was passed in the House by a vote of 91-58 and in the State Senate by a vote of 25-10.

Over one quarter of the Republicans in the Maine House voted for this bill and over one-third of the Republicans in the Senate also supported this legislation.

In no way does this law represent an attempt by our governor to rewrite the laws of Maine.

It is important to establish the truth about the political process in order to begin an intelligent, informed discussion on the merits of the law itself.

Sincerely,  
Matt Thomson '06

### Bush is not oblivious to rising poverty

To the Editors:  
In his op-ed "Hurricane Katrina reveals the Bush administration's true colors" (Sept. 9), Benjamin Kreider writes, "Liberals have long been alleging that this president is oblivious to the needs of the poor, and rightfully so... the poverty rate actually rose last year."

Mr. Kreider's logic is specious. It is true that the poverty rate rose last year. Indeed, it has risen over all four years of Mr. Bush's presidency.

The current poverty rate is 12.7

percent. But if that makes Mr. Bush oblivious to the needs of the poor, then I hesitate to even imagine what Mr. Kreider must think of the black (and yet decidedly liberal) hearts of Mr. Clinton and Mr. Carter.

The poverty rate remained above 12.7 percent for the first six years of Mr. Clinton's presidency. And under the grossly inhumane Carter regime, the poverty rate actually rose to 14 percent: up from the 11.6 percent around which it had hovered during the conservative presidencies of Nixon and Ford.

Could it be that President Carter of "Habitat for Humanity" fame is in fact a fascist? Or perhaps partisan zeal has caused Mr. Kreider to pass an ill-conceived judgment.

In the future Mr. Kreider might consider reasoning from facts, not prejudices.

Sincerely,  
Miles Pope '09

### Bush unjustly accused of being racist

To the Editors:  
Many liberals have put an absurd premise forth in the few long weeks since the devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

In a recent Gallup Poll sponsored by CNN, an astounding 72 percent of black Americans said that they thought George W. Bush "does not care about black people," sixty seven percent of whites disagreed.

Maybe this feeling from black Americans has arisen due to recent comments from well-known, outspoken people speaking about this disaster.

In particular, rap "star" Kanye West has recently alleged, "George Bush doesn't care about black people."

Is the black community thinking about their opinion in a rational way when making these assertions? Certainly not.

Do they think that George W. Bush, the president and commander-in-chief of the armed forces, is smoking cigars in his office, thinking of ways to keep down the black community?

Have they the skewed conception that President Bush has direct communication with God himself in order to cast this deadly storm on the poor minorities of New Orleans and surrounding cities?

President Bush has done everything in his power to help the people affected by this storm. The storm was not his fault, and saying that is tom-foolery.

He has admitted there were problems with the rescue effort, but can one expect a perfect response to a storm of this magnitude?

Rescuers did not pick white people out of the black masses to rescue.

The people who see things in terms of color keep positing the misguided argument of racism. Therefore, does it not make these very people racists themselves?

Sincerely,  
Zachary Linhart '07



# Ignore the hype on price gouging

by Evan McLaren  
CONTRIBUTOR

Natural disasters and high gas prices are two things guaranteed to make pundits and policy makers shout about price gouging, and the last few weeks were no exception.

Bush and many state governors have been giving the free market a rhetorical pounding, decrying (to quote Maine governor John Baldacci) "profiteering, unfair trade practices, or collusion in gas and oil markets." Bill O'Reilly insisted recently that the government should coerce oil companies into cutting their profits by 20 percent "to spare Americans pain."

With demands for regulation and punishment coming from both left and right, with laws already in place in many states against price gouging, and with the government advertising hotlines and web sites where citizens may report gouging violators, consensus is decidedly in favor of intervention.

Yet if you pay attention to these bureaucrats and commentators you won't hear a single attempt at a cogent definition of price gouging. Even the laws against it fail to identify precisely what it is.

This is because, while everyone seems to believe in something called a "fair price" that businessmen should obey, with prices constantly rising and falling no one can decide what that price should be. Dispassionate analysis, however, demonstrates that the idea of a fair price is a hopeful fiction, and that attempts at price control damage the economy.

To demonstrate this, let's take the example of an item desperately needed during an emergency: bottled water. Operating in a free market where gallon jugs of water were selling for \$1.29, after our hypothetical disaster they might sell for \$30.

First, it should be pointed out that in a free market there is no coercion. If someone pays \$30 for a jug of water, it is because they prefer the water to the \$30. The participants in the market get to keep their personal freedom while deriving mutual benefit from their transactions. With respect to individual liberty, everything is hunky dory.

Second, the free market is the only system in which needs are satisfied beneficially and peacefully,

even in an emergency. Observe that in our example there is a greatly increased demand for water.

The disaster has disrupted water supplies and, by hampering transportation, made delivering additional supplies much more difficult. Water is now an extremely scarce resource. Increased prices, however, serve as a way of allocating this scarce supply.

Store owners, having taken into account the information that (1) many more people will demand bottled water, and (2) more water will not arrive for several days, have raised prices to \$30 per jug. Suddenly individual customers, who each must use their available cash to satisfy a variety of urgent needs, are forced to conserve available supply. Someone who might buy three jugs of water if the price were lower now decides he can only afford one, and in this way supply is distributed efficiently and peacefully.

Urgent needs are satisfied before less urgent ones. Water that might have been used to satisfy trivial needs is distributed to people in more desperate circumstances.

In addition, higher prices communicate information to suppliers. Knowledge of high prices and profits to be had in the disaster, area businesses exert themselves in heroic fashion to provide more water.

Prices stimulate suppliers to accept the higher personal risk of delivering water to a disaster-stricken area, to reopen their stores earlier and keep them open longer to make their stock available to customers. The pressure created by the free fluctuation of prices ensures that supplies will get to where there are most needed quickly as humanly possible. In this way business owners serve society's needs as well as their own.

Yet, in this day and age, prices of scarce resources are often prevented from increasing naturally. Finger-wagging news anchors, aggressive attorneys general, and other subtle socialists all try to coerce business owners into fixing their prices.

In a situation like this, prices for water might be fixed at, say, \$9. Now the first few people who make it to the stores might purchase all the available water. Water that would have been used to keep alive a family member now goes to sustain someone else's household pet.

Meanwhile, business owners have less reason to scramble to provide desperately needed supplies. They sit at home rather than struggle to reopen their stores or make less of a fuss about having more water delivered. In this way efforts to control the economy greatly increase human misery and suffering.

"Price gouging" simply means charging the price that consumers are willing to pay. Economic science has well established that attempts to control the economy and institute a "fair" price are detrimental to society. That our so-called public servants consistently fail (or refuse) to accept this basic knowledge is a comment on our system of government as a whole.

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# The aims of student government

by DeRay Mckesson  
CONTRIBUTOR

Why does student government exist? What are its aims?

These questions are rarely asked because there is an assumed identity and legitimacy inherent in student government.

Students, staff, and faculty tacitly delegate responsibilities to student government without ever stopping to question its purpose, challenge its goals, or examine its fundamental premises. This is unfortunate because truly understanding the answers to these questions will allow students, administrators, and faculty to better comprehend the essential function it plays in college life.

Why does student government exist?

To discern the spirit of the student voice, to cultivate and sustain student leadership, to advocate for students, to create outlets for student thought and action, and to direct student activities—these are the central aims of student government. These aims are permanent and unwavering.

Being the official representative of the student body is a commonly misunderstood and challenging aspect of student government. As representatives, it is our duty to gather student opinion, frame, refine, and relay it to the broader college community.

We are not merely a medium through which student thought passes, but a processing mechanism

through which sentiments and opinions are clarified, strengthened, and structured. This is our obligation as informed members of the College community.

Furthermore, the representative aspect goes beyond the academic community. This is a complex aspect of this issue because it requires the most responsibility. Student government is the sole body that speaks for the entire student community. As such, there will often be times when the student government is called upon to take positions on issues that, to the common eye, extend beyond the College community.

We should remember that we do not exist in a vacuum—that while we are students in our most immediate situation, we are still members of a broader community. The moments when the student government takes positions on issues that extend beyond our campus walls are the moments that force the student body to remember what it means to represent a varied group.

Again, student government exists to discern the spirit of the entire student body. These are the moments when we are most pointedly reminded of the student government's role to gather, frame, refine and relay student opinion.

Cultivating and sustaining student leadership, the second aim of student government, involves providing opportunities for students to gain valuable leadership experience and

helping them grow through these opportunities.

This begins with chartering clubs and allocating money to student activities. The key question is what is done after these clubs are formed. It is not enough merely to charter clubs or give out money.

Actively challenging student organizations to understand and explain why they exist, creating forums for student leaders to come together to address issues and plan activities and providing outlets for the discussion of the aims of leadership are the fundamental facets of this tenet of student government.

Advocating for students requires that the student government is an outlet for comments, questions, and complaints as they relate to the College community.

This can be seen as a subset of the representative aspect but is so important that it must be separated.

Advocacy is usually individual or small in scope and allows student ideas to gain more traction as they travel through the college community. For instance, helping facilities or security address student concerns about parking, housekeeping, or safety would fall under this realm.

As an institution that creates spaces for student thought and action, it is the aim of student government to create forums that allow students the ability to address the issues, plan the activities, and express the ideas that they think are important.

Central to this aim is the creation and support of venues for deliberation and action. The art of student government is to, at times, pre-empt student opinion through programming or issue advocacy.

Its final aim is to regulate and direct student activities. It is the student government's responsibility to allocate student activities fees in an equitable and purposeful manner, to appoint capable students to committees of the College, to charter student organizations and to organize elections.

This regulating aspect is sometimes cumbersome and draining, yet it is also vital. In the most real sense, this is when student government governs.

The goal is to set the parameters of the various aspects of student activities in a way that is respectful of tradition and encompasses potential. These are the central aims of student government. The means will vary; these aims will remain the same.

DeRay Mckesson is the president of Bowdoin Student Government.

# Letting go of post-breakup awkwardness

by Sarah Riley  
CONTRIBUTOR

So that's that. It's over. After a year, or a month, or an uncomfortable plate of scrambled eggs at Sunday brunch, you and your significant other have called it quits. Maybe you ended it, maybe you belatedly called it off, or maybe the magic you two created beneath split beer and a solitary disco ball at the pub last night evaporated in the harsh, rainbow glare of Thorne.

However the relationship fell apart, there is one thing you two will always have together, and no, it isn't fond memories or chlamydia. For the rest of your time at Bowdoin, it will be awkward between you.

The awkwardness begins immediately post-breakup and will almost certainly rear its ugly head when you least expect it. Whether you discover your ex's email address while trying to log on to

facebook.com in the library, or you are caught off-guard by a familiar pair of feet in the stall next to yours in the bathroom, running into your ex is inevitable and almost always uncomfortable.

You both dread and pray for these happenstance meetings. You dread seeing him or her with someone else; a happy smile plastered across his face as a result of either being with someone new or the ubiquitous Natty Ice haze.

You fear nothing more than having to watch them stumble off to the soccer field behind Harpswell Apartments where you're pretty sure the two of you made some hazy memories together.

Yet at the same time, you pray for evidence that he or she feels as miserable as you do. You dream of the moment your ex sees you floating across the Quad arm-in-arm with your very own new special person. Or at the very least, you

search for any evidence that he or she still knows you're alive.

Instead of riding this emotional rollercoaster until you vomit, I think it might be time to accept the awkwardness as a necessary but manageable by-product of a relationship gone sour.

Why not joke about it with your ex? Or talk about it; maybe start saying hello when your paths cross. At the very least, try having a civil conversation over AIM without employing the sad face or the foot-in-mouth face emoticon. Or, if you're over the age of seven, try doing without emoticons entirely.

The initial awkwardness is unavoidable. It might get better with time. Or, it might not. But regardless of whether you graduate still madly in love or have slipped in to somebody else's proverbial cap and gown, take solace in the fact that you will eventually leave

both Bowdoin and your ex behind.

In the classic film "Office Space," one of the Bobs explains that it is better to fire people on a Friday because "studies have statistically shown that there's less chance of an incident if you do it at the end of the week."

Your time at Bowdoin is like a perpetual Monday. When you let go of your boyfriend/girlfriend/one night stand, there is no weekend escape in sight and no way to avoid the inevitable "incident."

You will run in to him or her, if not today, then tomorrow. And if not tomorrow, then you'll cross paths hung over at brunch one Sunday morning, your t-shirt still slightly see-through because of a late night dip at the foam party.

Stop living in fear and realize that awkwardness is completely manageable. As Peter Gibbons once said, "I hope your firings go really, really well."

# The Weekly Calendar

## September 16-22

### Friday

#### Psychic Entertainment

Come see performing psychic Robert Channing read minds, predict futures, and bend spoons with his mental powers.

Morrell Lounge, Smith Union,  
12:30 p.m.

#### The Graduate

A young man fresh out of college is seduced by the mother of his dream girl.

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Fallen leaves float on a puddle reflecting the chapel.

### Saturday

#### The Graduate

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.

#### Memorial Service

Remember the lives of Paul L. Nyhus, former Dean of the College, and Andrew Munsey, Professor of History Emeritus.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
10:30 a.m.

### Sunday

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel,  
4:30 p.m.

#### Camille

Follow the story of a beautiful courtesan, played by Greta Garbo, who is torn apart by her love for a French nobleman.

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 4 p.m.

### Monday

#### Photography

Join JoAnne Becker as she leads a workshop on photographic printing with liquid emulsion.

Craft Center,  
behind Admissions,  
7-9 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Beginning Photography

Jim McCarthy teaches an introductory class on photography.  
Craft Center, behind Admissions,  
7-9 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Ceramics

Bill Flood gives a class on wheel throwing techniques.  
Craft Center, behind Admissions,  
Introductory class: 4-6 p.m.  
Intermediate class: 7-9 p.m.

#### Habitat for Humanity

Come to a dinner and get to know other volunteers, discuss completed projects, and plan new activities.  
North Private Dining Room,  
Moulton Union, 5:30-7:30 p.m.



Contributed by Sharon Benjamin

Tie-dyed shirts hang to dry at the Craft Center open house.

### Thursday

#### The Mother of All Enemies

Paul Zaloom performs a political satire puppet show about the story of an Arabic man living on the edge of society.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

#### Poetry Reading

Listen to Pulitzer Prize Nominee Steve Scafield share his poems and join in on a discussion afterwards.  
Howell House,  
7:30 p.m.



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## Yellow-clad protesters unite for rights



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

A protest organized in opposition to Michael Heath's lecture asked students to arrive wearing yellow. Heath is leading the campaign to overturn a law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

by Bobby Guerette  
and Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

Lydia Hawkins '07 was half focused on an interview, half focused on the enormous stream of yellow shirts entering the Visual Arts Center.

"I only printed 100 flyers. I thought that would be enough!" she yelled to a friend.

A few yards away, it was becoming apparent that the College Republicans would not have enough space in the 80-seat Beam Classroom for all the people who wanted to attend Michael Heath's

lecture. Seven minutes before the start time, they moved the audience to the 262-seat Kresge Auditorium.

Students still had to sit in the aisles. How does the executive director of the Christian Civic League of

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## Mckesson disqualified as presidential candidate

Wong contests student body president's endorsement of candidate in recent elections

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

DeRay Mckesson '07 has been disqualified as a candidate for the presidency of the Class of 2007 in this week's completed elections, the Orient learned late Thursday.

At issue is Mckesson's role as president of Bowdoin Student Government (BSG).

According to a statement released by the BSG Elections Committee, Derrick Wong '07 filed a complaint to the committee on Thursday morning. The statement said, "Wong asserted that DeRay Mckesson...had misused his role as president of the student body by campaigning and publicly endorsing Elizabeth Laurits."

Wong, who ran unsuccessfully

against Mckesson in last spring's presidential election, was Laurits' sole opponent for the position of junior class treasurer.

"The Elections Committee decided that [Mckesson's] roles as a candidate and the president of the BSG could not be separated," the statement said. "As a result, the Elections Committee deems his actions to have been contradictory to his primary role as president of Bowdoin Student Government and requested his formal withdrawal as a candidate for president of the Class of 2007."

The committee cited a section of BSG's election rules that reads the committee "will be responsible for handling claims of violation of the election rules pertaining to candidates."

In the statement, the committee did not point to direct violations of any specific election rules. However, Vice President of BSG Affairs Dustin Brooks '08 told the Orient

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## Energy costs \$1 million over budget

by Dan Hackett  
ORIENT STAFF

In a letter addressed to the Bowdoin community, Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley announced that the College will exceed its \$3.7 million utility budget for this year—the most ever budgeted to date—by at least \$1 million.

Longley urged students, faculty, and staff to be increasingly conscious of energy consumption and practice a number of energy conservation techniques that will help "mitigate the financial impact of rising fuel costs."

She stated that the College could save on electricity by switching from incandescent to compact fluorescent bulbs and by turning off lights and computers when they are not in use.

"Electricity is the College's most expensive energy commodity," she wrote.

The letter also addressed a new plan to lower most building temperatures to 68 degrees, a two-to-four degree drop from last year's average temperatures. The exceptions will be the Children's Center and Greason pool, where temperatures will remain higher.

In the letter, Longley stated that "For every degree reduction, we can save approximately three percent or \$75,000 in costs based on today's pricing and achieve similar reductions in emissions."

Bowdoin is in the midst of purchasing the remainder of its heating fuel for this fiscal year. Heating fuel makes up approximately 50 percent of the utility budget.

## Bowdoin updating intellectual property policy amid allegation

by James D. Baumberger  
and Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

In the midst of an allegation that a senior administration official improperly used the work of a faculty member, the College says it is working to update and expand its policy to protect intellectual property.

Dean of Academic Affairs Craig McEwen said in an interview with the Orient yesterday afternoon that much of the College's current policy is three decades old and has not been updated to reflect technological changes. McEwen said that the timing of the policy update was not a result of the allegation.

At a faculty meeting last April, Professor of Biology Carey Phillips—a Bowdoin faculty member since 1985—voiced concern that the work of an unidentified faculty member had been used in a grant application without that professor's permission.

"Unpublished work of a faculty member was submitted, essentially verbatim, as a grant proposal without

the knowledge or permission of the faculty member," Phillips said, according to the minutes of the April 4 faculty meeting. The minutes were acquired by the Orient from the College's archives.

McEwen told the Orient that he was unable to comment on the accuracy of Phillips' claim because it involved a personnel issue.

A well-informed source indicated that the grant, submitted during the last academic year, involved a computer-based learning center, but was subsequently withdrawn after its submission.

Faculty members and others who asked not to be identified confirmed that a senior administration official was the target of the allegation. No one the Orient interviewed would go on the record in verifying the identity of the official. For that reason, the Orient cannot publish the name.

The individual declined comment when contacted by the Orient.

The Orient had scheduled an

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Hope Stockton for The Bowdoin Orient

The College has 37 percent of its fuel purchases "locked in," says Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley.

"We have about 37 percent of our fuel purchases locked in," Longley said in an interview with The Orient. "But it's such a volatile market right now that we are not going to buy at

these prices."

Longley attributed rising fuel prices to hurricanes Katrina and

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## Rwandan hero to speak

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

Today's Common Hour lecture featuring Paul Rusesabagina sold out further in advance than any previous Common Hour event, according to Assistant Director of Events Brenna Henaley.

Rusesabagina is famous for his heroism during the 1994 genocide in

Rwanda. As a manager at a hotel, he used his influence to shelter over 1,000 Rwandan refugees and orphans. Many students know him as the main character from the 2004 film *Hotel Rwanda*, in which Don Cheadle played Rusesabagina.

The lecture will be held in Pickard Theater, which has a capacity of 602

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## Rusesabagina's Common Hour lecture to draw over 600 students

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persons, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Hensley said that the College did anticipate the "big response, given the important topic."

According to Hensley, Common Hour organizers chose Pickard Theater because it has the greatest fixed seating capacity at the College. Although Morrell Gymnasium can seat more students, organizers of the event opted to use the smaller venue.

"[Morrell Gymnasium] is typically not a lecture space," Hensley said. Because of athletic team practices, it is also not always available for use during the day.

Rusesabagina was nominated to speak by Bowdoin students and faculty who submitted ideas for Common Hour last year, according to Hensley.

"We plan our schedule approximately one year in advance in order to secure some of the more publicly known speakers," she said. "Mr. Rusesabagina speaks all over the world."

Tickets to the event were made available on Friday, September 9 at the Smith Union Information Desk. Though Common Hour events are usually open to members of the Brunswick community, a Bowdoin ID was needed to receive tickets to today's event. Hensley noted that the first 400 tickets sold out by September 13.

Hilary Imai '09, who has seen *Hotel Rwanda*, said she will be attending today's Common Hour.

"I would like to know more about the events in Rwanda—I want to know more about the actual man and how he was able to be so tremendously heroic," she said. "I want to hear if the real story was as horrible as it was portrayed in the movie."

Ryan Hart '08 said that he rarely attends Common Hour events, but

saw *Hotel Rwanda* last spring and was very interested in seeing Rusesabagina in person.

"When the Common Hour schedule came out, I marked it on my calendar to get tickets," Hart said. "It was definitely something I didn't want to miss."

Jacqueline Abrams '08 is one student who wanted to see Rusesabagina but did not get a ticket. Abrams says she saw *Hotel Rwanda* over the summer and was moved.

"I would love to hear what he has to say about what happened and what's happening now in Rwanda from a first-hand point of view," she said.

Abrams plans on lining up for a ticket at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, at which time Common Hour organizers will be distributing returned tickets at Pickard's box office.

Event organizers are excited that today's Common Hour is so popular.

"I think it is an important topic and several classes here at Bowdoin have brought even more awareness to the subject," Hensley said.

"Also, the success of the movie, *Hotel Rwanda*, has helped bring the subject into the media and into the hearts of the general population," she said.

The Bowdoin Film Society presents *Hotel Rwanda*:

Friday, September 23 &  
Saturday, September 24  
in Smith Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

Come learn about  
Common Hour speaker  
Paul Rusesabagina's life.

## Temperatures will be lowered in College buildings

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Rita, the latter anticipated to strike the Texas and Louisiana coasts today and Saturday.

"We can always purchase through the spot market, or have same-day delivery, but the pricing would be worse. We buy in bulk to get discounted prices," Longley explained.

The College is in the process of converting one of its two large boilers, located at the Heating Plant, to accept natural gas, a renovation that will provide for more flexibility when buying and using fuel.

"This past summer, we spent \$80,000 dollars to tap into the pipeline that runs down Route 1 from Canada. It was installed for the Brunswick Naval Air Station, and we are beneficiary of it. We can now tap into it. Since we've put in that infrastructure over the summer we now have natural gas running to our campus," Longley said.

In the past, most college buildings have been heated centrally through the Heating Plant with No. 2 heating oil, though some buildings, like the houses on Bath Road, fuel themselves with individual burners. The

McLellan Building is among a limited number of buildings that are partially heated by electricity, Longley said.

"We will use natural gas for the main campus when the price is lower than No. 2 heating oil," Longley explained, adding, "It allows us to monitor the market and burn accordingly." Based on projections, Longley anticipates burning more natural gas than No. 2 heating oil this year.

Longley stressed the environmental benefits to using natural gas as opposed to No. 2 heating oil. She stated, "With natural gas, there are fewer carbon dioxide emissions released into the air. It is a more environmentally-friendly option."

The dual-fuel burner reflects Bowdoin's mission to implement more sustainable technologies, Longley said.

"We're trying very hard to do more sustainable building so that we're environmentally responsible," Longley added. "We have a little over \$300,000 budgeted for energy projects this year, not including monies dedicated to sustainable design for the larger capital projects.

## Faculty work to improve intellectual property policy

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interview with President Barry Mills about the issue, but it was cancelled due to unexpected travel delays.

At the April meeting, Phillips questioned whether senior staff were held to the same ethical standards as faculty and students. McEwen responded, "Senior staff are subject to the same standards as students and faculty."

He added that the issue would come before the Faculty Affairs Committee in May. That committee did take up the matter, but would not release details as to what happened.

McEwen told the Orient yesterday that last April he was referring to the equal application of ethical standards "as a broad philosophy because clearly there are student honor code rules that apply specifically to students. We don't have an honor code set out in the same form [for staff members], but we do have fundamentally the same expecta-

tions or appropriate conduct for attribution, and the expectation is that people won't plagiarize."

He would not comment, however, on whether there was any ambiguity as to how to deal with the situation since it involved a senior administration official and not a faculty member.

Phillips, at the April meeting, went on to question the security of faculty work on the College's computer network.

"Can you address what staff are permitted to do with our grants on file, since many might have access to the servers where faculty store their work?" he asked.

McEwen responded, saying, "This matter is an exception, therefore there is no clear procedure here," adding that the faculty meeting was not the appropriate place for Phillips to bring up such a grievance.

Phillips declined to comment when contacted by the Orient.

Asked about any college policies regarding potential abuses of access

to files on Bowdoin servers, Chief Information Officer Mitchell Davis declined to comment.

In the interview with the Orient yesterday, McEwen said he was not aware of any policies regarding access to files on Bowdoin servers. He declined to question Davis's decision not to comment on such policies.

As for when the revised intellectual property policy would be released, McEwen said, "We are close to having one that has been discussed by the Faculty Affairs Committee. We will share it with the faculty I hope this fall, and ultimately it must be endorsed by the Trustees."

The Trustees will meet next in mid-October.

McEwen would not discuss details of the College's actions in response to the personnel issue, nor would he confirm whether any actions have been completed. He also declined to say if the faculty would be informed of any conclusions reached.

## BSG will hold new elections for '07 president, treasurer

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that the committee feared that McKesson's endorsement of Laurits and his implicit self-endorsement could be interpreted as endorsement by the student government.

"He is the voice of Bowdoin Student Government," Brooks said.

The statement said that the committee "acted in the best interest of the student body and Bowdoin College" and "maintains full faith in McKesson."

The Elections Committee initially asked McKesson to withdraw his candidacy and did not take the action of disqualifying him. McKesson verbally agreed to withdraw.

But shortly after the Orient contacted McKesson for comment, McKesson revoked his verbal withdrawal.

"Upon reflection, officially in an email I did not withdraw," he said. "I

didn't think I violated an election rule."

McKesson said that this reflection consisted of reading the Election Committee's statement and discussing the issue with a friend. When he realized that the committee had not banned him from running again,

"I didn't think I violated an election rule."

BSG President DeRay McKesson '07

"The implication is that his candidacy is a problem," Brooks said.

A new election for the treasurer position will also be held. Both Laurits and Wong will appear on the ballot, along with any new candidates who decide to run.

The Election Committee consisted of BSG's treasurer and five vice presidents. As BSG president, McKesson would normally have a spot on the committee, but he recused himself since

he was running for a position.

Voters in the election, which ended yesterday, may have noticed a few anomalies on their ballots. During the election, candidate statements did not appear on some electronic ballots for Tommy Lakin '07 and Dan Brady '08, who ran for the vice presidencies of their respective classes. Lakin was unopposed so the committee will take no action. Brady submitted his statement incorrectly, Brooks said.

## BSG ELECTION RESULTS

### CLASS OF 2006

#### President:

✓ Harry Jones 158  
Evan Fensterstock 132

#### Vice President:

✓ David Friedlander 158  
Sabrina Hall-Little 122

#### BSG Representative (2):

✓ Kendall Brown 213  
✓ Ted Lyons 143

### CLASS OF 2007

#### President:

Undetermined

#### Vice President:

✓ Tommy Lakin 166

#### Treasurer:

Undetermined

#### Community Service Officer:

✓ Lisa Peterson 173

#### BSG Representative (2):

✓ Catrina Cartagena 126  
✓ Allie Chia 114

### CLASS OF 2008

#### President:

✓ Andrew Fried 311

#### Vice President:

✓ Jacob Sack 207  
Dan Brady 96

#### Treasurer:

✓ Joshua Cippel 308

### Community Service Officer:

✓ Anne Pierce 302

#### BSG Representative (2):

✓ Nate Tavel 234  
✓ Ben LeHay 194  
Katerina Papacostas 112

### CLASS OF 2009

#### President:

✓ Lynzie McGregor 91

Sean Murphy 80

Dennis Burke 77

Michael Julian 71

Samantha Scully 56

#### Vice President:

✓ Robert Lynn 115

Christian Adams 101

Aurora Kurland 58

Rae Fleming 54

Chandra Cruz-Thomson 42

#### Treasurer:

✓ Arden Klemmer 102

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# Consultants aid in dean searches

*Vacancies in the positions of Dean of Academic Affairs and Dean of Admissions should be filled within the year*

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

With the impending vacancies in the positions of Dean of Admissions and Dean of Academic Affairs, the College, with the help of search committees and search consultant Kim Morrison, is actively seeking strong replacements for these key roles within the school administration.

Colleges occasionally use search consultants for filling open positions. According to Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Nancy Jennings, "It's totally common for senior administrative positions. The value of it is that they have wonderful networks and identify people who might not otherwise apply but who they can persuade."

The position of Dean of Academic Affairs will be left vacant after this academic year. Craig McEwen will take a year-long sabbatical and then return to teach sociology.

According to search committee member and Professor Paul Franco, it is no simple process to find a dean replacement. Most of the positions are filled by former professors.

"It's a job you do for five or six years and it's plenty," Franco said.

In order to carry out the search,

President Barry Mills appointed two search committees, one for each of the dean searches. The committees, both of which Mills chairs, are primarily made up of Bowdoin faculty members but also include staff members.

Members of the search committees are highly invested in the search but all have full-time jobs, according to Franco.

"It's nice to have a search consultant to shepherd us through the process," he said.

"It's important to make the right match." Interim Dean of Admissions Richard Steele said. "It's probably very helpful to have a search consultant to locate top people nationally and who dedicate themselves to finding the right person."

Steele, who retired from Bowdoin four years ago after having served as Dean of Admissions for ten years, returned this year to fill the position until a replacement can be found.

Rather than simply opening up the position to faculty members—although they are welcome to apply—Bowdoin is conducting a national search and is looking at applicants from a variety of locations and colleges.

Though Morrison is actively involved in the process of finding replacement deans for the College, according to Franco, her role is to facilitate the search process by locating people nationally who are well suited to the positions but might not otherwise apply. The

established search committees are making the actual decisions.

So far, the committee has received a large number of applications and will continue to accept applications. Members of each search committee intend to narrow the list down to between ten and 20 applicants who will be interviewed at a common location in the United States. They will then narrow down the applicants and invite three or four applicants for interviews at Bowdoin before selecting the replacement.

By winter break, each committee intends to have selected a candidate, who will begin work at Bowdoin at the start of the new academic year.

"We're looking for someone who is distinguished as a scholar and teacher but who has administrative experience and who has the demonstrated talent in administrative work," Franco said. "What's challenging is that most are one or the other."

Though it is imperative that a candidate be chosen to begin work in the upcoming academic year, the committees are diligently working to find the best possible replacement deans.

"This is a huge decision," said Franco.

"The Dean of Academic Affairs is the chief academic officer. In terms of setting the goal and the academic character, there's no one more important than the Dean of Academic Affairs. It's the number two person at Bowdoin," he said.

# Co-op maintains plans for communal dining



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomores Anna Bender, Bridget Keating, and Abby Comeau enjoy last night's co-op dinner at Ladd House. This was the group's second event.

by Chris Marotta  
CONTRIBUTOR

Fifty students, many of them strangers, joined together last week to share a meal and celebrate the co-op's first event of the academic year. They may not have known each other that well, but the food they were eating was cooked by people from their own group in the Ladd House kitchen only hours before.

"There's just something intimate about cooking and sharing food together," said co-op founder Katherine Kirklint '07 at the event.

Despite being denied permission for communal housing at the very end of last year, the group has remained dedicated to their idea.

"It was really frustrating at the time," said Kirklint, "but since the semester started we've felt a lot more support from the administration. We figure, start with the small stuff."

The Bowdoin co-op was originally formed as an idea for a small group of people to live together communally.

"The real goal is living together and cooking where we live," said co-op member Mike Taylor '07. "We would make the house sustainable, and cook four meals a week together. Maybe even have a garden," he said.

However, at the end of last year the co-op members were faced with an ultimatum by the Bowdoin administration.

"We kind of got the rug pulled out from under us," Taylor said. The administration cited many reasons, one of which being that theme housing is banned according to Bowdoin policy. Also, Bowdoin Dining Service decided that it was not realistic or possible to fund four meals a week outside of the normal dining halls. It was also decided that the Burnett House kitchen was too small and would become a fire hazard if the co-op tried to cook large group meals.

However, the co-op members have not given up.

"We all understand there is a lot of work between now and what we want. Right now, we'll just see how this goes," Taylor said.

"We've all been working to make this a reality. In theory, co-op dinners sound like a great idea to do—when it actually happens it's amazing," he said.

Even though the co-op members are scattered in housing on-campus and beyond, they have worked to remain organized.

"We have two new head cooks each week. Also, someone drives out to Damariscotta and picks up organic food supplies in the college hybrid. Then we have three prep cooks that basically help out with everything else," Taylor said.

Participants also strive to remain open to new members.

"We're not exclusive—we recruited freshmen at the Student Activities Fair."

Despite the openness, membership has been capped at 50. "Anything more and Ladd couldn't hold us anymore," Taylor said.

To make sure that no one is excluded, only 40 students are permanent members. The last ten spots are kept open every week for whomever decides that they want to see what the co-op is all about.

"Bowdoin can be a warm community, but 50 people all sitting down together and having a meal each week—that's something special. You don't just sit down with strangers," Kirklint said.

During the dinner, members constantly changed seats and met new people.

When Mike Taylor stood up to select the next week's cooks, people could not volunteer quickly enough.

"A lot of us see the co-op as a really promising way to achieve institutional and personal goals with environmental efficiency and social interaction...and the food is really good," Kirklint said.

## COLLEGE BRIEFS

NEWS FROM COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AROUND THE NATION

### Stanford plans to offer digital library on Google

(U-WIRE) STANFORD, California—Last December Google announced its plan to team up with leading universities and public libraries around the country, including Stanford, to provide instantly searchable copies of library books to all of its users. Along the way, however, this digital library ran into some legal roadblocks.

Publishers have argued that by scanning copyrighted material, Google is violating U.S. copyright law. Google, however, stands by its idea, arguing that their use of the copyrighted material falls under the "fair use" doctrine.

Nevertheless, Google announced that it will stop scanning copyrighted material until November, giving copyright holders a chance to let the company know which works they would prefer not to be included in the library.

Google representatives contend that the digital library will be beneficial not only to readers but also to publishers. Whether or not Google's library passes the fair use test, Stanford will continue to digitize its library collection.

"Stanford has been digitizing books for years," Director of Communications and Development for the Stanford University Libraries Andrew Herkovic said.

"We have a very sophisticated operation that includes the world's first and perhaps only book-digitizing robot."

According to Herkovic, Stanford's

ultimate goal is to have digital copies of its entire collection available for analysis, reading, and other use to the Stanford community.

### Christopher Hill '74 aids in North Korean settlement

BOWDOIN—Christopher Hill '74 helped to negotiate an agreement with North Korea in the six-party nuclear arms talk earlier this week.

In the agreement, North Korea consented to forfeit its nuclear arms program, including all nuclear weapons, while the United States, China, Japan, Russia, and South Korea have agreed to provide economic aid to North Korea.

The United States and North Korea have also agreed to work on improving relations, so that a peaceful and respectful relationship may be maintained.

Hill, the chief U.S. negotiator in the six-party talks and Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, was cited in a New York Times editorial as having "exceptional skill" in the negotiations.

A native of Little Compton, Rhode Island, Hill graduated from Bowdoin with a degree in economics. He was awarded the Gordon S. Hargraves '19 Preservation of Freedom Prize at Bowdoin in the spring of 2003 for his work on the Kosovo crisis. Before being appointed as the U.S. Ambassador to Korea by the Bush administration in the spring of 2004, Hill served as an ambassador to Poland, Macedonia, and Yugoslavia.

Speaking at Reunion Weekend on June 4, 2004, Hill said, "War is hell,

but peacekeeping isn't far off. You have to stick with it to the end."

### Parents sue university for wrongful death of son

(U-WIRE) LAWRENCE, Kansas—The parents of a student who died at Oliver Residence Hall at the University of Kansas in 2003 are bringing a wrongful death suit for more than \$75,000 against the university.

According to the lawsuit, John and Donna Wellhausen allege that the dangerous conditions of the residence hall contributed to the death of their son, Eric Wellhausen.

Wellhausen, a freshman from Mount Prospect, Illinois, fell to his death on September 12, 2003, after either leaning out of his window or stepping onto a ledge outside his window to smoke a cigarette after he had removed the screen from his window.

According to the autopsy report, Wellhausen had a blood alcohol level of 0.16, eight times the legal level for an underage person, which is .02.

Director of University Relations Lynn Bretz said the ledges were about five feet under the windows and were not wide enough for a person to stand. The ledges' intended purpose was to help cool the building by deflecting heat away from the windows, Bretz said.

"Students are warned from day one not to open the windows and get out on the ledges," said Bretz.

—Compiled by Anne Riley and Cati Mitchell

# Community joins students for service

*Common Good Day provides volunteers for over 50 local projects*

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Approximately 475 volunteers donned umbrellas and raincoats to participate in Common Good Day Saturday. Registration showed a significant increase from last year's 430 volunteers, who also found themselves volunteering despite a heavy downpour.

Residents from five local towns—Brunswick, Bath, Freeport, Topsham, and Portland—participated alongside Bowdoin students, faculty members, staff, and alumni in 50 different projects on Saturday. They worked in cooperation with various organizations including the Tedford Shelter, Arts Are Elementary, and the Brunswick Parks and Recreation Department. Despite the inclement weather, only five projects were cancelled.

Each volunteer spent an average of three hours participating in his or her assigned project. In total, about 1,350 hours of community service were logged Saturday. If the organizations and agencies involved in the projects had paid people to complete the projects, they probably would have spent more than \$20,000, according to Director of the Community Service Resource Center Susan Dorn.

Common Good Day helps inspire students to become actively involved in community service in the Brunswick area during college and after they leave Bowdoin, according to Dorn. She said the event allows Bowdoin students to become

acquainted with various types of community service and volunteer organizations and introduces them to the many volunteer opportunities available to them throughout the year. Students often return to the same organizations to volunteer after Common Good Day.

There was a high level of student involvement in planning Common Good Day this year. The event was led by Megan MacLennan '07.

"What [was] great about this year [was] that almost all aspects of the day were organized by a student," Dorn said. "That speaks not only to the capabilities of Bowdoin students as a whole, but specifically to the outstanding job done by Megan."

Mark Swann '84, director of Preble Street Resource Center in Portland and a 2001 recipient of the Bowdoin Common Good Award, was the keynote speaker at this year's event. Swann's organization provides services to homeless and low-income

people. The event also featured a live student band, the Day Jobs.

One of this year's many projects was the Family Arts Festival, held at Brunswick Junior High School. Several Bowdoin volunteers wearing red Common Good Day shirts were visible at the festival throughout the day.

"It was great to see more Bowdoin students than we expected turn out at the Family Arts Festival," Midcoast REACH Co-Chair Roger Fenn said. "They were really helpful."

Nancy Lalita, a retired art teacher and volunteer at the festival, agreed.

"The Bowdoin helpers had a great deal of enthusiasm for their work and were an inspiration to those around them," she said.

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# Maine conservative brings controversy to campus

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Maine manage to draw approximately 300 students, a handful of administrators, and Department of Security personnel on a Monday night?

By leading the drive to overturn Maine's sexual orientation anti-discrimination law.

Maine voters will cast their ballots on Question 1 in November. If successful, the vote will overturn a law passed earlier this year that makes it illegal to discriminate in housing, employment, and other areas on the basis of sexual orientation.

Heath, who was brought to campus by the College Republicans, successfully worked to overturn two similar anti-discrimination laws in the past decade.

For Heath, the law in question is not about discrimination. He opposes it because he says it is a stepping stone to gay marriage.

"Every state that has gay marriages or civil unions has this law first," Heath said. "The governor himself says, 'I want same sex marriage.'"

Heath gave a speech about the decline of Western civilization before beginning a half-hour question-and-answer session.

For the questioning, Heath was joined by Pastor Sandy Williams of the First Baptist Church of Freeport. Williams is also the chairman of the Coalition for Marriage.

The audience remained mostly silent while Heath gave his speech and started the question-and-answer session—Hawkins even held up a "no clapping" sign at the beginning of the event.

But then things started to heat up. Williams said that if discrimination was widespread, he might support the law.

"I don't think the law is needed, I don't think it's wanted... I don't think it's needed because there is very little discrimination going on," Williams said.

"If there were massive discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, I might find myself on another side of the issue," he continued.

This evoked jeers and cries from the audience.

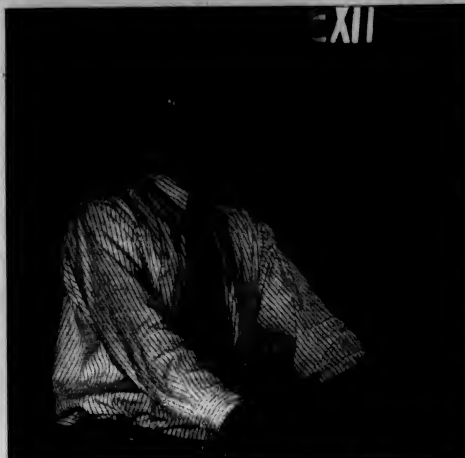
"We'll throw you out of here!" College Republicans Chairman Alex Linhart '06 shouted to one student.

Heath took back the podium.

"Bowdoin is better than this," he said. "Don't prove the speech right, okay? Don't prove it right by choosing not to be civil to this man—a man of the cloth."

"So just calm down!" he said.

Later, it was a student—and not the pastor—who came prepared with a religious message.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The Q&A portion of Michael Heath's lecture focused exclusively on Question 1, the referendum to repeal a new anti-discrimination law.

Margaret Fuller '06, who plans on going to divinity school, stood and took issue with Heath and Williams's stance.

"That's not a very Christian message, is it," she said. "What you're doing is setting a bad example for the church and turning people away from the church."

"Show me the verse that says we should be intolerant," Fuller said. "I wish I'd brought my Bible," Williams responded.

Another student excitedly popped up and announced, "I brought one."

In a scene reminiscent of the choosing of the next contestant on television's "The Price is Right," the student rushed to the podium with the audience cheering her on.

After the event, Heath told the Orient that he was pleased with the talk.

"I thought it was great," he said.

Comments he wrote on his blog (<http://www.mikeheath.net>) the next morning were more subdued.

"It is sad to reflect back on the evening the morning after and realize how much misdirected passion was present in that room," he wrote.

"These students are from America's finest families and rank, I'm sure, among the most capable young people in the United States," he continued. "To think that an obscure defense of sodomy (adding 'sexual orientation' to the Maine human rights act) is the cause celebre among this age group is devastating."

When asked about a series of posters on campus that supported dis-

crimination, Hawkins said she and a small group of students and faculty created the signs as an act of protest. The posters claimed to be sponsored by the College Coalition for Family Values.

That family values group does not exist.

Linhart said that his organization invited Heath to campus because it wants to expose students to a wide variety of conservative views. Not all College Republicans agree with the views of each speaker, he said.

"Please listen tonight with open minds and listen to what Mr. Heath has to say," he said at the beginning of the event.

Heath—who earlier this month noted in his online newsletter that Hurricane Katrina moved in to New Orleans just in time to shut down a gay rights celebration—is just the most recent partisan political figure to be invited to the Bowdoin campus.

Liberal commentator Al Franken will speak at Bowdoin on October 1. Last year, the College Republicans played host to Vernon Robinson, who has been dubbed "the black Jesse Helms." In fact, today's issue of the Portland Phoenix newspaper has a feature story highlighting the rift between Bowdoin's political groups.

That divide was evident all the way until the end of Heath's talk.

Heath closed the question-and-answer session with a prayer. The vast majority of students remained seated until Heath finished.

A few, however, stood up and walked away.

# IT releases Bowdoin dining widget online

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

Widgets, mini-applications that exist exclusively in Mac OS X version 10.4 "Tiger," can be downloaded from [apple.com](http://apple.com) to personalize a user's Dashboard. Although Dashboard comes with 12 default widgets, users now have over 1,300 interest-specific widgets to choose from online. Among these is the recent invention of John Hall '08—a widget that displays Bowdoin's dining service menus.

When Dashboard is opened, the widget lists the menu items for both Thorne and Moulton dining halls. It automatically updates from breakfast

to lunch to dinner according to the time of day. At 8:00 p.m., it begins to display the next day's options.

Hall created the Bowdoin-specific

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widget when working as a paid Web Assistant for Education and Research and Development over the summer for IT. During evenings, Hall served as wait staff for graduation and reunion weekends.

"Since widgets are new, I sort of had to blaze my own trail," Hall said.

With the success of his first widget, Hall is considering new possibilities for web design.

"There's definitely room for widget expansion," Hall said. IT is considering creating widgets that display Bowdoin sports scores or digests.

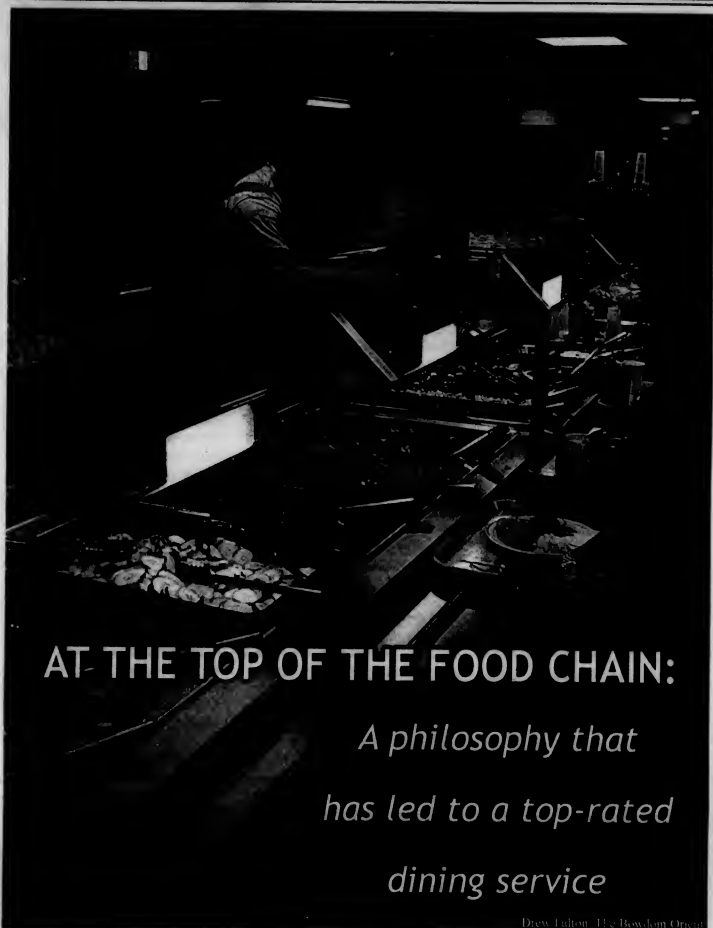
According to Information Officer Mitch Davis, the newest operating system to be released by Microsoft Windows, Vista, will contain a program similar to Apple's Dashboard.

The goal will be to find a way to transport this widget to the PC gallery," Davis said.

Hall's widget can be found under "Food" at <http://www.apple.com/downloads/dashboard>.

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## AT THE TOP OF THE FOOD CHAIN:

*A philosophy that  
has led to a top-rated  
dining service*

by Ben Freedman  
CONTRIBUTOR

"You know what the students eat more than anything else?"

I had heard rumors, but in a hesitant tone, I questioned, "chicken parm?"

Without a second thought, Ken quickly answered, "Oh my goodness. And chicken fingers. I can't believe it, I just, I can't believe it. Sometimes I wonder, like, wow, what's the draw?"

Sure, classics like chicken parmesan still rule the student palette, but college food service has come a long way. Mashed potatoes and soggy beef no longer fill the stomachs of college students on a regular basis; organic vegetables and hormone-free meat have replaced them. The world of food service has, in recent years, undergone a drastic shift.

Ken Cardone, associate director of the award-winning dining service department has been overseeing our chow for more than 15 years, and truly understands how college campuses like their food. His own food philosophy has been instilled in the entire dining department: "If I don't want to eat it, I'm not gonna serve it to anybody else...If you will not serve it to your family, and your friends, I am certainly not gonna put it on the menu."

Nationwide, his devotion, and that of Mary Lou Kennedy, Director of Dining and Bookstore Services, has been noticed. Bowdoin is back at the top spot in dining, a spot that is not unfamiliar. Since Cardone began here, Bowdoin's food has always been

well-rated in comparison with other American colleges and universities.

This year, in the Princeton Review's "Top Ten Best Campus Food," Bowdoin placed first, beating out Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering in Needham, Massachusetts (second place), Saint Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota (third place), and Cornell University in Ithaca, New York (fourth place).

According to the Princeton Review, "Bowdoin College leads the pack for culinary cachet with its students: 'The food makes Bowdoin feel like home,' they say. Even though 'rumor is that the dining budget was cut this year,' for many prospectives considering this small Maine school, 'the campus's beauty and food sealed the deal.'"

As in so many other categories, Bowdoin overtook Bates and Colby. Colby placed a decent seventh place, and poor Bates didn't make the top ten.

What sets the College apart from other schools is its willingness to adapt and change with its students.

Cardone acknowledges, "You have to be flexible. The foundation of every good plan is the ability to change it when needed. Boy, is that true in food service. It changes in a heartbeat!"

Dining service is always eager to try new foods, work with student organizations to create theme meals, and change things that just don't work.

Cardone recognizes that the more than two hundred students who work in food services are crucial for feed-

back and advice. Even the smallest pointer is helpful in the quest for the best possible food.

Additionally, the comment cards provide an important source of feedback.

While feedback is key, dining services would be only at the Bobcats' level were it not for the devoted staff. Roughly 80 full-time Bowdoin employees work diligently to produce fine pieces of culinary delectability.

The average tenure in Moulton and Thorne is approximately 15 years, with some topping 20. One employee of note, Doug Pollack, has worked in dining services for around 30 years. Pollack, one-time head chef at Thorne, now works at the Polar Express.

Mostly Brunswick residents, dining service employees of the Bowdoin community tirelessly make sure that our food is cooked, presented, and served as if we were eating a home cooked meal.

This is another important aspect of the dining philosophy according to Cardone.

"We must never forget, our customers live here, this is home, for several months... How do you want to be treated when you go home?"

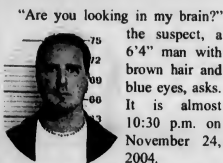
This mentality is what keeps students coming back for seconds.

Before any student tastes the food, each course is cooked in a small batch of six to eight portions in Cardone's kitchen to judge taste and feasibility. Once it passes the preliminary taste

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## Criminal: Tillotson

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF



"Are you looking in my brain?" the suspect, a 6'4" man with brown hair and blue eyes, asks. It is almost 10:30 p.m. on November 24, 2004.

The room is completely dark. A police officer is examining a man suspected of driving under the influence.

The cop shines a flashlight in the suspect's eyes, checking the reactivity of his pupils. The results indicate that the suspect is on some kind of drug; he later admits to having taken large doses of cough syrup.

Lights back on, the officer administers a simple walk-and-turn (WAT) test. The suspect fails to follow almost all the directions, muttering about ninjas all the while.

Suddenly the suspect stands on one foot and lifts his arms in the air. He remains in this position for many seconds, trying to imitate a stance in the film Karate Kid.

After failing the WAT miserably, the suspect asks the cop a question: "Do I qualify as a ninja?"

The suspect is Erik D. Tillotson. He is not a ninja; he is a criminal.

Tillotson was born in Concord, New Hampshire in 1971. He was first arrested when he was 23 years old on charges of "acquiring drugs by deception" and was fined \$200 for the violation of the law. Maine State Bureau of Identification records show no other arrests until ten years later.

According to Lieutenant Kevin Schofield of the Brunswick Police Department, Tillotson has become quite familiar to police in the last ten months.

"We became familiar with Tillotson in early November of 2004; the first time we came in contact with him was when a female victim, a Bowdoin College student, reported some issues that were sexual in nature and required some police follow-up. As a result of that investigation he was charged with 'violation of privacy,' which is a class D misdemeanor. The case is still pending and has not yet been adjudicated."

Tillotson's 'violation of privacy' involved the administration of an "unknown debilitating substance," according to a Bowdoin College Security alert last year. A trespass warning was issued against Tillotson by the College. His violation of the warning resulted in his arrest late last year.

After Tillotson's "violation of privacy" on November 07, 2004, he was arrested for "stalking," "terrorizing," and "criminal trespass" a week later. Four days after that, on November 18, Tillotson was arrested and charged with "criminal trespass" again. The same day he was also charged with "violating the conditions of [his] release."

On November 24, 2004, when Erik Tillotson was brought into the Brunswick Police station, arrested for suspicion of driving high on cough syrup and for violating his bail conditions, the evaluating officer, Paul Hansen II, asked if Erik was sick or injured.

*Erik Tillotson "just  
stared at me blankly  
before stating, 'I'm  
psychotic.'"*

Paul Hansen II  
Officer, Brunswick Police Dept.

According to Hansen, Tillotson "just stared at me blankly before stating, 'I'm psychotic.'" That night he failed almost every drug influence evaluation test

administered to him. Despite a seemingly overwhelming amount of evidence against him, the "operating under the influence charge" (OUI) was dropped. Assistant District Attorney for Cumberland County Katherine Tierney, refused to comment on the rationale of dropping the OUI charge against Tillotson or any case relating to Tillotson.

Earlier this year, Tillotson was charged with a violation of Brunswick municipal fire code.

Numerous trespass warnings have been issued against him recently. According to Schofield, "There are six-teen different places in the community where we were asked to give him a trespass warning. ... It seems that the way he engages other [people]... causes alarm."

In a dark room, Hansen shines a flashlight in Tillotson's eyes, checking his pupils.

"The star is fading away," Tillotson says. "I'm fading away."

All information for this article was obtained from Court records and an interview with Lt. Schofield.

## Prof. James McCalla: a lover of jazz music

Professor Profile

by Maura Cooper  
CONTRIBUTOR

As a young boy, tapping his foot to the music played by a nearby Kansas City 24-hour jazz radio station, Professor James W. McCalla didn't know what he was listening to, but he knew that he liked it.

Raised in a house that valued music, Professor McCalla began classical piano lessons at the age of eight, and, by the ninth grade, he knew that he wanted to dedicate his life to music.

Although McCalla originally

intended to become a professional pianist, a brief period spent in graduate school at the New England Conservatory in Boston quickly convinced him otherwise. Leaving the conservatory, McCalla got a job as a jazz clerk at the Harvard Coop in Harvard Square (Cambridge, Massachusetts). He soon returned to the New England Conservatory as a self-described "guinea pig" for the school's new Master's Degree program in Musicology, and he went on to receive a doctorate from the

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# A Look Back

Clippings from the Archives

## Beta House Placed On Social Pro For Having Dates On 2nd Floor

Following the recommendations of the Student Judiciary Board, Dean Greason yesterday put Beta Theta Pi fraternity on social probation until March 9th. The penalty followed an infraction of the last Saturday night when the night watchman reported women upstairs in the house after 12 midnight.

Also announced were penalties for the individuals involved.

According to the Dean, the night watchman found two dates upstairs and one in the kitchen of the Beta house. On the same round he also discovered a date downstairs in each of two other houses, DKE and AD. (Action against the man in the latter house was dropped, also on the recommendation of the Student Judiciary Board.)

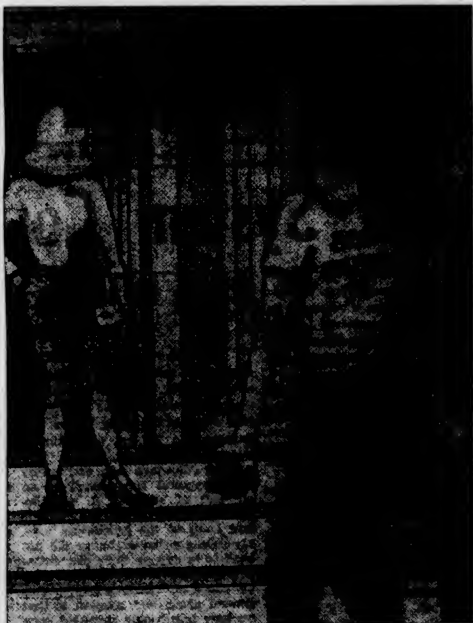
Social probation, as interpreted by the Dean means, "Unmarried females between the ages of 16 and 22 will be persona non grata at the Beta house until the end of the probationary peri-

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od." He added that this meant there would also be no dates of men from other fraternities in the house either. If these restrictions are violated "the house will go on probation for one year from the date of the infraction and/or the individual will be suspended from the college."

The Dean also pointed out that the penalty would in no way interfere with the intrafraternity athletic program participated in by the Betas, nor would it prohibit the traditional Christmas parties held for needy children in the area.

The Student Judiciary Board also recommended in their report that the individuals involved be suspended membership by the house for the period each was on social probation.



## I'm Not Too Sure Either...It's Been A Long Time

Courtesy of the George J. Mitchell Department of Special Collections and Archives, Bowdoin College Library

A cartoon from the March 30, 1964 issue of the Orient makes reference to the end of Beta's social probation, which prohibited females in its fraternity house for three months. The College went co-ed in 1971.

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# Dr. Benson: no laxatives in food

## Ask Dr. Jeff

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center  
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Dear Dr. Jeff: Ever since I've come back to campus I've had diarrhea. I've heard rumors that the dining service put laxatives in our food. Is that causing my problem?

-L.B.M.

Dear L.B.M.: Laxatives added to your food would certainly cause diarrhea. There is, however, no reason whatsoever to believe that the dining service serve up anything but wholesome and delicious food! And there are many other reasons you might be having the diarrhea (more on this below.)

Rumors about college dining services adding laxatives to students' meals have circulated nationwide for a great many years. Googling the topic yields reports and responses from Rutgers, Skidmore, University of Denver, Lafayette, Colby, and Bates, just to name the first few!

Mary Lou Kennedy, Director of our Dining Services, had this to say: "Simply put, Bowdoin College does not, nor would we ever, add laxatives or any non-food ingredient to your food. Dining Service is committed to providing the highest quality food and service possible to the Bowdoin community."

We have all taken great pride in Bowdoin Dining Services' No. 1



national ranking, and it accurately reflects the enormous care, skill and effort that go into every meal.

You may not be fully aware of some of the health-promoting and disease-preventing efforts that also go into every meal. Planning and overseeing food preparation are certified executive chefs working with a registered dietician. Foods are purchased only from approved vendors. Fresh produce comes from the College's own organic garden, whenever possible. The kitchens grind their own meat (often organic), have their own bakeshop, and cook just about everything from scratch. Oils used in food preparation contain no trans fats.

Food-safety and sanitation guidelines are strictly followed and enforced. Food temperatures are monitored from the time food is received until it is placed on your plate. Ghost trays, which are small samples of prepared food, are col-

lected and saved for 48 hours after every meal. Should there ever be a claim of food-borne illness, food can then be tested.

Trust me (and Mary Lou), L.B.M., no one is adding anything to your food at Bowdoin!

As for your chronic diarrhea, there are many possible explanations. You could have some sort of chronic intestinal infection (viral, parasitic or bacterial) or irritable bowel syndrome. You could have a food allergy or gluten intolerance. You could be loading up on too much fat one meal, or skipping the next one. Your late night snacks might be too high in fat. Is your caffeine intake high? Do you smoke? Drink much? Use sugar-substitute sweeteners? Are you taking over-the-counter or prescription medications or herbal remedies that might cause diarrhea? Are you otherwise well, or might you have an endocrine condition or inflammatory bowel condition that's causing your diarrhea?

Clearly there's a very long list of possible causes of chronic diarrhea, and we'd be happy to look into it if you'll come see us at the Health Center. If we can't figure it out, we can refer you to a specialist who can.

And in the meantime, enjoy those wholesome, health-promoting meals served up by Mary Lou and her staff at Thorne and Moulton. They're No. 1 for good reason!

Be well! And bon appetit!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center

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# Apart, trying to stay together: long distance relationships

by Courtney Camps  
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The chatter of conversation over cell phones outside of the six freshman dormitories around ten or 11 at night is almost deafening. First years pace back and forth, cell phones pressed to their ears. Some sit on a wall, their legs dangling, as they offer their take on their boyfriend or girlfriend's day.

"She tells me about her roommate and all the people she is meeting so I get an idea of who her new friends are so I can sort of relate to her," said Jake Daly '09, who has a girlfriend at Ithaca College in New York.

Long distance relationships are now in their peak season, but with the coming of the fall may also come the conclusion of many high school loves. Currently, these first years are striving with everything they have to make their relationships work.

As hard as these first years may try, they face an uphill battle. Maintaining a long distance relationship is an inherently difficult task. And yet, many Bowdoin students take time out of their academics and social life to stay connected with that high school sweetheart or study abroad romance.

Currently the freshmen are the most involved in their long distance relationships. "It's hard to end something that is going well at the end of the summer before freshman year. Then once you are at school things start to change," said Kaitlin Hammersley '08, who began her freshman year in a long distance relationship.

Jake Lynch '08 has been involved with his girlfriend for two

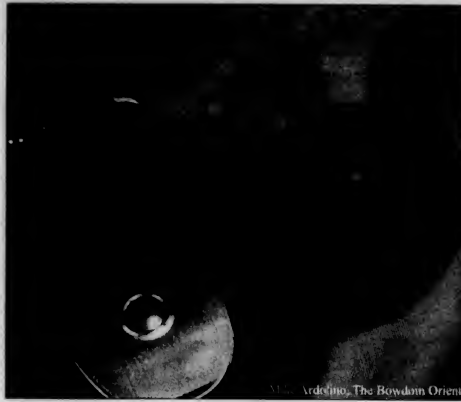
a half years and has been playing the long distance game for a little over a year now. "Never seeing the other person is the hardest part. Because you never see the person, and I personally don't like to talk on the phone, it is difficult to get an idea of where they are at." Continued Lynch, "I love Emily [my girlfriend] so we make it work."

New technology has made keeping in contact with a significant other easier. Bruce Courtney '06 met his girlfriend of a year last fall when he was studying abroad, in Australia. Courtney presented the idea of webcams so that they would be able to chat online and actually see each other person at the same time. Courtney continued, "We both have that Verizon 'In Plan' which also allows us to talk [on cell phones] for free which is nice."

Katie Paret '08, who has been in a long distance relationship for over a year, suggested having your long distance lover look at photos online of you with your friends at school so they get an idea of who you are hanging out with. "It really helps to explain stories you are telling them about your friends and parties when they can see all the pictures from the night," she said.

Many students in long distance relationship cited their family and friends as pillars of support in making their relationship succeed. Daly said, "I have a good relationship with [my girlfriend] and her family. I know her sister very well. I talked to her mom online the other night which was a little strange."

College is a devil's playground when it comes to salacious temptations. Easy access to random hook-ups abound.



Ardeino, The Bowdoin Orient

Lynch offered his advice on this matter. "I go out and I try to watch how much I drink because I think that drinking can often lead to sexual indiscretions that could be regrettable at a later date."

"It is easier to connect with people that are sharing your [particular] college experience," says Hammersley. This connection between Polar Bears adds to temptation. "The first step to the long distance thing falling apart is thinking that the other person has no idea what you are going through," Hammersley added.

Many Bowdoin students say that a relationship with someone many

miles away should not interfere with having a social life at college. A freshman, who wished to remain unnamed, said, "I am going to make a big effort for [my long distance relationship] not to take over my life. I have heard stories of people who are in college and are on the phone five or six hours a night and they don't go out and party and don't make friends, so I want to balance it."

Finding a chunk of time to be on the phone or writing emails can be hard and many say that they cannot afford to let it take over their life. Courtney advises students to, "Make sure it does not hurt your

chances of branching out here and being as close to as many people [at Bowdoin] as you can."

As September starts to come to a close and the initial pain of separation begins to wane, Blair McElroy of the Bowdoin Counseling Service advised that "a heightened focus on open-communication, regular checking-in, whether by phone or email, and clarifying one's expectations of the relationship can often help reduce the potential for miscommunication and distancing."

Johanna Andrews '08 has been in a long distance relationship with her boyfriend for about two years. Her advice on keeping the relationship thriving and growing is to "stay independent [and] balance your priorities. The person you are with should not hold you back academically or socially. Respect each other enough to be honest about everything and try to always look at the positive side such as looking forward to the next time you meet up and how it will be exciting since you have not seen each other in a while!"

Most students are looking forward to their reunions and can take solace in the fact that fall break is only a few short weeks away.

As the weeks of school continue to roll on and the number of freshman outside of their dorms start to dwindle, one may take consolation in the fact that many Bowdoin students have dealt with long distance relationships before.

As Lynch said, "long distance relationships are not for everyone."

Courtney echoed that, saying: "It's easy to really miss your girlfriend or your boyfriend and I understand that but if it is meant to be, it's meant to be."

Distance always makes the heart grow fonder. Well, sometimes.

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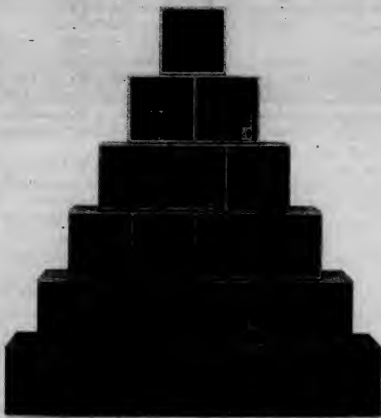


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# A Day in Maine: Rockland's famous Farnsworth Museum

by Emily Gabranski  
CONTRIBUTOR

Although she lives in the heart of Manhattan, Judy never has time to frequent the multitude of galleries in New York City. Judy and her sister Pamela always seem, however, to find time to visit the Farnsworth Museum in Rockland when they are in Maine.

Judy explained, "Whenever we visit, it always has something of value that we treasure for the rest of the year."

The Farnsworth Museum has a unique mission as a nationally recognized gallery in the heart of Down East Maine.

Founded in 1948, its permanent collection is assembled to represent "Maine in America" and encompasses paintings by such American artists as Andrew Wyeth, Gilbert Stuart, Alex Katz, and Edward Hopper.

These artists may seem only loosely related, but Director of Marketing David Stucky contends that most American painters are closely connected with Maine in one way or another.

"The South of France has cultural significance for European painters and Maine has similar importance for American artists in that most artists have worked or studied here," he explained.

The Farnsworth Museum also has special significance to people who visit it, according to Christina from Cincinnati. She and her husband spend their summers in Castine, Maine, but never miss an opportunity to view the exhibits in Rockland on their way back to Ohio.

Christina says simply, "We never tire of the museum. The layout of the art is simple, so as not to be overwhelming. It is very peaceful here."

The atmosphere in every gallery is slightly different, but the tranquility is evident throughout the museum. Set apart from the hustle and bustle of downtown Rockland, light-filled rooms create a peaceful atmosphere. The blue-grey walls and wood paneling of the Rothschild Gallery present the opportunity to enjoy art freely, among friends and with soft light.

Beige walls provide a perfect, subtle background for the paintings by Alex Katz displayed in the Morehouse Wing. The exhibit, *Alex Katz in Maine*, showcases the bright colors in 23 of Katz's Maine paintings, including "The Yellow House II," a painting of Katz's summer house in Lincolnville, Maine.

This unique exhibition's timing is fortuitous since Katz has recently begun to receive wider recognition for his work. Katz's work is currently on display as one of three renowned artists recently commissioned by United Technologies to create billboard sized paintings. These billboards will mark 25 years of art sponsorship by the company and will be displayed through October in the SoHo district of New York City.

*Alex Katz in Maine*, which runs through October 16, falls on the heels of a display of his collages at Colby College, now on display



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© James Wyeth, *Saltwater Ice*, 1997, Oil on Panel, 36.75 x 30.5 in.

An oil painting by James Wyeth currently on display at the Farnsworth Art Museum in Rockland, Maine.

at the Farnsworth Museum in conjunction with the larger collection. Together the two collections form a comprehensive compilation of Alex Katz's work over the past 40 years and provide a special opportunity to view them simultaneously that will not be duplicated in the near future.

The second level of the Wyeth Center is a warm, homey backdrop for the second seasonal exposition called *Gulls, Ravens, and a Vulture: The Ornithological Paintings of James Wyeth*. The show, which closes October 10, is an assemblage of whimsical portraits that endow hens, seagulls, and ravens with human characteristics.

N. C. Wyeth was an illustrator of fanciful stories, using vivid colors to enliven stories like *Treasure Island* and *Robin Hood*. His son Andrew, most famous for Christina's World, painted a bulk of his paintings in Cushing, Maine, a 15-minute drive from Rockland.

Andrew's son James has focused on the landscape and people of Monhegan Island in many of his creations.

The connection between the Wyeth family and Maine is indisputable, so it is no surprise that people flock to the Farnsworth Museum to see their paintings. John, a Farnsworth Museum member, admits that while he loves all of the exhibits, the collection of Andrew Wyeth's paintings is his favorite: "[Andrew] Wyeth's pieces are always worth the drive from Freeport to see."

Because the Wyeth paintings are so close to the hearts of museumgoers and museum officials, the Wyeth Center houses parts of the permanent collection and special exhibits devoted solely to this

talented family.

For those interested in a closer look at their lives, the museum plans a Christmas event, entitled *Share the Wonder*, in conjunction with Rockland's Festival of Lights, occurring November 25-27 this winter. The exhibit will include memorabilia from Christmases celebrated in the Wyeth household ranging from toy trains to ornaments to toys from yesteryear.

This Christmastime occasion should illustrate that the Farnsworth Museum is dedicated to the enjoyment of art.

Many institutions confuse the appreciation of art with a finely honed skill or difficult task: this is not the case in Rockland. Here art is to be enjoyed by everyone from the youngest toddler to the wisest benefactor.

Judy of Manhattan said, "I am not that well versed in art, but I stand here and I look at that painting and say, 'It looks exactly like I am looking out of a window at the ocean,' and that is what I love about it."

## Bowdoin Dining Service: at the top of its game

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test, a course is called up from the minors to the big leagues.

For freshness, ingredients are ordered as needed. Lots of ingredients. Jon Wiley, Purchasing Manager, has the responsibility of ordering food for all of the Bowdoin campus. This breaks down to about 20,000 board meals per week, 2,000 yearly catered events and numerous miscellaneous dining opportunities.

Wiley reported that among the most coveted food items from last year were bananas (28,600 lbs), tomatoes (23,425 lbs), coffee (16,000 lbs),

## Mckesson presides

by Alex Krippner  
CONTRIBUTOR

"...To carry the keys of the world's library in your pocket...make hosts of friends...lose yourself in generous enthusiasms and cooperate with others for common ends—This is the offer of the College for the best four years of your life."

These are the final words of a campus tour led by DeRay Mckesson '07, who was elected last spring by the student body as the '05-'06 President of the Bowdoin Student Government. He has taken the "Offer of the College" by William DeWitt Hyde, seventh president of Bowdoin, to heart, stressing that this is only an offer, not a guarantee. He asks fellow students, "When will you accept this offer?"

Since coming to Bowdoin, a place that even from a visitor's perspective he felt cared about all students individually, Mckesson has learned the art of questioning himself honestly. He promotes what he calls "processing" when analyzing what it means to be a part of Bowdoin College. His advice? "Stop and think," and remember that times "won't always be easy, but that's okay, because that's real."

Mckesson feels that the Bowdoin family really exists, and his most memorable experiences at Bowdoin relate to his own creation and maintenance of this sense of

community. As a proctor in Maine Hall last year, currently as an R.A. in Stowe Hall, and through a continuing involvement in student government that dates back to elementary school and includes two terms as the president of the Class of 2007, he has been able to continually foster the type of environment valued at Bowdoin.

Eventually Mckesson plans to put these experiences together with a major in Government with a Political Theory concentration and minor in English to attend graduate school in law, business, or education.

After a summer's work at the Juvenile Division of the Baltimore City State Attorney's Office, DeRay has seen the myriad problems facing his Maryland hometown. Ultimately, he would love to work in government as an elected executive official—perhaps eventually as the mayor of Baltimore.

For now though, it is the office of president of the Bowdoin Student Government that awaits Mckesson's influence. As he looks forward to the coming year, Mckesson states, "I definitely live in a world where anything is possible."

Waking up each morning, most recently to the music of Marc Broussard, Mckesson prefers to call his days full rather than busy. "It's a lifestyle," he says, "[It's] never a chore to do what you love."

## Professor James W. McCalla

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University of Berkeley, California.

In 1978, Professor McCalla was hired by State University of New York (SUNY), Long Island to teach a course on the history of jazz music. McCalla, who had never taken a formal course on jazz music (or even a jazz piano lesson), had to build the course from scratch using his real-world knowledge of jazz to construct a syllabus.

The seats of Gibson Hall are filled with students eager to take Professor McCalla's course on the history of jazz—this 27 years after his experimental class at SUNY.

Although much of the material McCalla uses for the course is unchanged, the class is now taught in two parts (The History of Jazz I and II), and it has a greater focus on the social and historical context of jazz music than the original course, which focused purely on the music.

Drawing from original handouts

McCalla wrote for his students at SUNY, McCalla has published the textbook, "Jazz, A Listener's Guide" (now in its third edition), which his students still use today.

McCalla recently spent a year on sabbatical. Staying in Brunswick, McCalla split his time between writing his next book—a study of the influence of literature on the piano composer Claude Debussy's work—and cataloguing his extensive collection of jazz LPs and CDs.

After spending more than a quarter of a century sharing his knowledge and love of jazz music with college students, McCalla is enthused to be teaching "The History of Jazz" once again this year.

Many of McCalla's students enter his class knowing little about jazz music beyond their general affection for the genre. McCalla's goal is that by the end of the semester, his students will be able to attend a concert or buy a jazz record with a deeper understanding and appreciation for the music.

A unique quality of the culinary arts is that "There is something about food service, college food service, it's kind of, it's kind of a living thing that you keep nurturing, it keeps changing. It changes quite a bit. You have to have a sense of adventure when you're in this business."

While the student base changes year to year and food trends come and go, Bowdoin food remains in that elite group of culinary perfection. Dining Service will continue to satisfy Polar Bears in need of delicious food, especially chicken parm, for years to come.

potatoes (9,850 lbs), napkins (1,095,000 unbleached, dioxin free) and lobsters (3,814). In addition, 1,202 gallons of ketchup were consumed, and 10,860 pounds of margarine.

It is easy for students not to realize just how much effort goes into food. It is an area of any college, however, that is pivotal to student life. Next to dorm rooms and the library, most students spend a large portion of their time in either Moulton or Thorne. Food services understands how important their role is.

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## Yamagata to blend old folk with new jazz

by Frances Killea  
STAFF WRITER

When she performs in Pickard at 8:00 p.m. tonight, Rachael Yamagata will introduce herself to Bowdoin for the first time. As a singer-songwriter, however, she's hardly a newcomer.

Yamagata can impress you with the fact that her songs have been featured on episodes of "Everwood," "Life as We Know It," and "ER," and she has performed on MTV and "The Tonight Show" with Jay Leno. This weekend, though, she will get a chance to dazzle her Bowdoin audience with the music that is building her this impressive career.

Yamagata's songs "I'll Find A Way" and "Paper Doll" give an idea of the earthy, natural voice the pretty brunette possesses. It is at once easy and aggressive; her melodies covering lounge, rock, and jazz seamlessly. If she has a current pop-culture equivalent, Yamagata's style is most reminiscent of the smoky voice of Norah Jones.

Yamagata, who is 27, also has a history of funk apart from her own singer-songwriter career, having played in the

Chicago-based band Bumpus. She has studied theater at Northwestern University, but insists that her musical education started as a child listening to her parent's music, mostly classic rock from the 70s. She likens herself in part to Janis Joplin.

Brought on by the Campus Activities Board (CAB) for her unique voice and talent, Yamagata's Bowdoin premiere is expected to leave a lasting impression on the student-body. Her music is clever and feeling, and reviews posted on her website indicate that her persona makes her relatable and entertaining. Magazine interviews portray a lively, pleasantly quirky young woman, eager to sing, play, work, and live. At once ambitious and laid back, her music seems to reflect her personality.

"I have a suspicion she'll leave a huge impression on our campus," said CAB co-chair Tobias Crawford '07. "Walking around the dorm, I anticipate hearing Yamagata everywhere next week."

Friday night, for \$3 with a Bowdoin I.D., people will get to see the woman who could generate that kind of buzz.

## Political puppeteer pulls satirical strings



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Political satirist and puppeteer Paul Zaaloom gave his puppets a hand and a message last night in Kresge Auditorium, where he performed his latest show, "The Mother of all Enemies." The New York Times has dubbed Zaaloom "one of the most original and talented political satirists working in the theater."

## Lord misfires with loaded agenda

by Gabe Kornbluh  
CONTRIBUTOR

In the opening sequence of the film *Lord of War* treats the audience to the on-screen birth of a bullet. In the recesses of a mechanized womb, a casing is fitted, and a fresh metal mouth nourished with gunpowder. Several robotic arms come forth to cap the round, and with a cold violence portending its later use, the shell is fused. The bullet is now ready for the assembly line. We watch as it shuffles through the inspection along with the rest, both frightening and enticing us with the shimmer of some sort of primal candy.

The film itself, which stars Nicolas Cage as expert arms runner Uri Orloff, works in much the same fashion as a weapons assembly line. It rolls along at a steady, almost stubborn pace, and is leanly muscular in the sense that all of its components work together towards a single-minded vision. *Lord* is also, however, episodic to the point of redundancy, and because we are constantly aware of that which is being manufactured (as with the bullet), we are privy to its goal from the moment of conception.

The problem is encompassed by the character of Uri Orloff, a first generation Ukrainian immigrant living in Little Odessa with his hard-working family. He has a good business sense but as of yet, no business. Out of options, he sells his first Uri in a motel room, and an addiction cloaked in refined titanium is born.

Director Andrew Niccol, whose



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In *Lord of War*, Nicolas Cage plays Uri Orloff, a misanthropic immigrant whose rise to the top of the contraband industry mirrors recalls that of Al Pacino's character Tony Montana in *Scarface*.

writing credits include *Gattaca* and *The Truman Show*, seems to do well with stories of driven individ-

women, and he hops continents. Uri himself, though, never grows, and therefore, neither do the viewers.

Early on in the film, Uri proposes to his brother Vitali, a struggling chef played by Jared Leto, that maybe all men are just "dogs on two legs." The line is Uri in so many words, but is uttered before the idea of gun running has even entered his mind. His rather inexplicable belief in the evil tendencies of man serves as

uals. Unfortunately, he makes a fatal error in *Lord of War* by quarantining Uri's character from viewers who labor so thoroughly to relate to him. As Uri climbs the ladder of the arms-dealing business, he changes suits, he switches

## Beam and Calexico a bittersweet mixture

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Sam Beam, the Miami cinematography professor-turned-neo folk sensation—known better by his stage name, Iron and Wine—has collaborated with the Arizona-based alternative group Calexico to create a six-song EP entitled *In the Reins*.

Beam, who became a cult sensation in 2002 with the release of his first album, *The Creek Drank the Cradle*, quickly solidified his title as champion of the folk-lullaby sound with subsequent releases *The Sea and the Rhythm* (EP) and *Our Endless Numbered Days* (LP).

In the *Reins*, on the other hand, demonstrates a different application of Beam's haunting, somnolent voice. Unlike *Creek*, *S&R* and *Days*, in which Beam rarely used more than two instruments per song and didn't use any percussion beyond stifled strums of a rhythmic guitar line, *Reins* features a much larger full-band sound. In some ways, this new sound follows as an extension of Beam's experimentation with different kinds of percussion and instrumentation on his most recent EP, *Woman King*.

But even the diversity of background elements on *Woman King* doesn't properly prepare Iron and Wine votaries for *Reins*. *Woman King*'s success is attributable to the creativity with which Beam blend-

ed new instrumental aspects in songs such as "Woman King" and "Evening on the Ground." The use of background instruments on *Reins*, on the other hand, is shockingly conventional. Most of its songs employ a normal drum kit, and the various string instruments and horns follow basic chords progressions in relative synchronization.

There's something inharmonic about a snare drum's relationship with the distinct timbre of Beam's voice.

The first track, "He Lies in the Reins," sets the stage immediately for the tone of the album. We hear the drums lay a beat heavier than anything we have heard before on an Iron and Wine song, and notice that there's something inharmonic about a snare drum's relationship with distinct timbre of Beam's voice. At the same time, the minimalist piano and the sad poetry of the lyrics remind us why we bought the album. "One more gift to bring / we may well find you laid / like your steed in his reins / tangled too tight and too long to fight," he whispers.

"History of Lovers" displays the biggest break in style for Beam. While the other tracks retain at least some of Iron and Wine's folk sensibilities, this one is pretty much straight country pop. The horns, like the snare drum, create unsettling sonic friction with Beam's voice.

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# Sierra doesn't pale when put to the test

by Carter Thomas  
COLUMNIST

SIERRA NEVADA PALE ALE (\$6.49 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

My first experience with this pale ale was just a few months ago on a cool, crisp summer night in northern California (where it is brewed). Widely regarded as a great casual beer, Sierra Nevada did not disappoint—its light texture and subtle flavorings were a delight, delivering a memorable drinking experience from first sip to last gulp. Unlike other high-end beers, it is not a chore to drink an entire six pack of Sierra Nevada. In fact, it is quite common for people to bring this beer to a party, especially one populated by surfers, skiers, and readers of Outside magazine. When asked how it struck him, Spar Patton '06 said, "It's as funky as James Brown on his worst night." This is articulated by the artistic label, a light green base with vibrant browns and memorable vistas. I would recommend this beer to anyone who is into great tasting pale ales and wants to try and be the cool kid at a party. *My scores: Taste: 4, Partyability: 4, Cost/Benefit: 5.*

LABATT BLUE (\$5.99 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

One time while on the other side of the border, I decided to give this Ontario-based lager a go. Displaying itself in a bright blue label, Labatt is one of Canada's most trusted names, similar to a Budweiser or Coors here in America. The most defining characteristic of this beer is its powerful taste, making it a great choice for drinkers who can't get enough beer in their diet. Ford Barker '06

explained, "You know you're drinking beer when you're drinking Labatt." This full-bodied brew has been making a stab at the American market in recent years, producing ads involving a talking bear or less-than-awesome kids sitting at a bar pigging to themselves. Labatt is a good beer when you are just hanging out and looking to drink a few with some friends. *My scores: Taste: 3, Partyability: 2.5, Cost/Benefit: 3.*

NATURAL LIGHT (\$3.49 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

As the cheapest bottom-shelf beer, Natural Light has quickly established itself as the go-to keg on campus. Its patented taste is easily recognized as coming from the rejected brew that flows out the back end of the Missouri Anheuser-Busch plant into silver cans. To its defense, this beer goes down much easier than most of its light counterparts. As Connor Fitzgerald '06 put it, "Hands down, the most chuggable beer is cold, flat Natural Light coming out of a keg." It is good to know that these types of investigative skills are being put to use in a world full of beer-related confusion. Like Pabst Blue Ribbon, Natural Light is also commonly purchased as a 30-pack, which seems to be either permanently on sale or out of stock. I remember when I first got to college and this was the only beer served at parties. I convinced myself how delicious it was. Now I like to drink beer that doesn't taste like water with a hint of dissolved plastic. There is, after all, life after Natural Light. *My scores: Taste: 2, Partyability: 5+, Cost/Benefit: 5.*

## Pot-throwers' paradise

Craft Center a little-known resource for Bowdoin students

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

One of Bowdoin's best resources is also one of its least known. Students may know where it is—that little white building next to Admissions—but few have ever been or even know what is available to them there.

This is the Bowdoin College Craft Center.

Home to a pottery studio, a photography studio, and five sewing machines, the Craft Center is accessible to all Bowdoin students who pay a membership fee of \$20 a semester. Included in that fee are unlimited materials, equipment, and 24-hour access to the building. All you need to supply is the creativity.

"It's a great resource on campus that's not really known about or utilized by students," said Dan McGrath '06.

McGrath is a geology and environmental studies major who has been involved in ceramics since the ninth grade. He has taught classes at the Craft Center for three years.

Maya Jaafar '07 also teaches pottery classes at the center. "It was a good challenge," she said, noting that putting herself back into a

beginner's shoes was difficult, as she has been doing pottery since age 11.

Both McGrath and Jaafar taught introductory courses in wheel-throwing. The Craft Center also offers classes and workshops in a variety of media, such as photography, sewing, knitting, jewelry making, and tie-dyeing.

While Bowdoin does not offer any ceramics classes in its visual arts department, the Craft Center provides an opportunity for students interested in pottery to have a chance to take classes and work on pieces.

Jaafar, a visual arts and environmental studies major, did an independent study at the Craft Center in the spring of her first year. She worked three hours a week under Tyler Gulden, a well-known potter, and spent 10-15 hours a week on her own producing and perfecting bowls and mugs.

As he is not an art major, McGrath appreciates the extracurricular aspect of the Craft Center. "It's a great facility for people who aren't interested in the academic aspect of art," she said.

The Craft Center is open to experts and beginners alike. Whatever the artistic endeavor, it can be pursued. "It has definitely been an important part of my Bowdoin experience," says Jaafar. "It's a really good stress reliever."

## Poet Scafidi impacts students with Hammer



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Pulitzer-prize nominated poet Steve Scafidi read from his collection *Sparks from a Nine-Pound Hammer* yesterday evening to an audience of Bowdoin students, faculty, and guests at Howell house.

## Death Cab for Cutie takes a contemplative turn with *Plans*

by Sara Tennyson  
STAFF WRITER

"You may tire of me as our December sun is setting," poses Death Cab for Cutie lyricist and front man Ben Gibbard, "because I'm not who I used to be." These lines open the poignant track "Brothers on a Hotel Bed" from the acclaimed indie-rock band's latest and first major label release, *Plans*. The album, the band's fifth, represents its evolution toward a more retrospective, pensive sound.

Markedly more mature and nostalgic than the group's past albums, *Plans* explores the passage of time, human relationships, love, and loss. The melancholic attitude present in past albums such as *Transatlanticism* and *The Photo Album* is replaced with a calmer, hopeful, and more thoughtful set of songs.

*Plans* adopts a more transcendental air than presented in Death Cab's past recordings, exploring in depth the existence of afterlife. Their lyrics suggest that Gibbard

has taken a step back from the turmoil he once wrote about to approach life in a more contemplative, spiritual manner. In "Where Soul Meets Body," he writes, "And I do believe it's true that there are roads left in both of our shoes / But if the silence takes you then I hope it takes me too / So Brown Eyes I'll hold you near 'cause you're the only song I want to hear / A melody softly soaring through my atmosphere / Where soul meets body."

One of the album's best and most poignant tracks, "I Will Follow You into the Dark," rejects common perceptions of heaven and hell in favor of a view regarding love and companionship as central to the afterlife: "No blinding light or tunnels to gates of white / Just our hands clasped so tight / Waiting for the hint of a spark / If heaven and hell decide / That they both are satisfied / Illuminate the no's on their vacancy signs / If there's no one beside you / When your soul embarks / Then I'll follow you into the dark."

To what can we accredit this fascinating evolution? Gibbard, whose electro-pop side project, The Postal Service, has sold nearly as many albums as Death Cab itself, told the *New York Daily News* that his lyrical growth proceeded from "reach[ing] an age where that feeling of invincibility is gone and you end up being an adult in a more conventional sense."

Just as Death Cab has taken mature strides in their lyrical subject matter, its sound has progressed as a reflection of their changing mood. They have maintained their signature synthesized sound, but *Plans* features a stronger emphasis on vocals and piano than past albums. Though the band has faced major criticism

## DJs of the Week: J. Patrick Brown and Jamil Wyne

What is the best song ever made?

JPB: "It Puts The Lotion On Its Skin" by the Greenkeepers.

JW: Currently, "Into the Night" by the Muses.

What is the greatest living musician?

JPB: Warren Zevon, once we have the technology.

JW: Another tie: David Gilmour of Pink Floyd and Luther Dickinson of the North Mississippi All-Stars.

What was the first album you ever bought?

JPB: *Big Lizard in My Backyard*, by the Dead Milkmen.

JW: *Scornfront* by Billy Joel.

What's the best concert you've ever seen?

JPB: I snuck into a Boston concert once. Or was it Chicago?

JW: I think it was Neil Young and Crazy Horse. I read about it in a magazine. But seriously though, that show changed my life.

If you ruled a country, what would be its national anthem?

JPB: "Colonel Bogey's March, from the River Kwai."

JW: Probably the sound of a toilet flushing, my government would be based a lot around that...

If you were standing on stage in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?

JPB: "I wonder what that man shot me."

JW: Well I'd do my best to keep it short, but since I'm such a Chatty Kathy I'd probably just gab on all day long about shellfish or something.

Brown and Wyne's show, "Open Up the Oven and Get Out the Cas Ubis," can be heard on Thursdays from 12:00-1:00 a.m. on 91.1 WBOR.

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## Wines for Autumn

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNIST



have wines that would be perfect to drink while outdoors and some that will keep your blood pumping in the cold.

**SALMON CREEK 2002 CABERNET SAUVIGNON** (\$4.10 at Tess' Market—and a tip: Tess's gives a 10% discount on mixed cases).

While it's a bargain, the Salmon Creek is far from a superstar of cab-savs. It's a totally pleasant red, not terribly complex at all. My tasters and I found it to be on the sweet side, lacking oak in its flavor. It had "a good smell, but overpowering," which was interesting since the wine is very mellow with almost no aftertaste. Not my favorite, but fine for sipping in the backyard with fresh fruit.

**HELIOPOLIS 2003** (\$15.99 at The Market Basket in Rockport).

This white blend hails from the vineyards of beautiful island of Santorini, Greece. The flavor is somewhat difficult to describe, as

it's very subtle. It's "definitely dry but not mouth puckering," said one of my tasters. I personally found it to be very leafy. My tasters noted that it has a "zing" to it. This wine is excellent for a date, not at all cloying or too heavy to be enjoyed on its own, but we recommend it with either seafood pasta or souvlaki.

**EGRI BIKAYER 2002 BULL'S BLOOD** (\$7.99 at the New Hampshire State Liquor Store).

This is a Hungarian wine that dates from 1552 and is called bull's blood because the Hungarians thought invaders were stupid. It is made from a blend of three or more grapes, including Kadarka, Kekfrankos, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Kekoport varieties. The wine has an incredibly strong taste. I was reminded of Roquefort cheese. It is a wonderful cooking wine, making a great marinade for lamb, which we ate with mashed potatoes, accompanied by more of the blood. This is definitely not for the faint of heart.

**ALMEDO 2003 TEMPRANILLO, SYRAH, CABERNET SAUVIGNON** (\$9.99 at Warmings).

My tasters and I diverged in our opinions of this wine. I rather enjoyed it, and they did not. One of my tasters found it "weird" and "stinging." Another taster described it as "Different from every red I've ever had." The wine is pretty dry, and it took a while to develop its full flavor. I strongly recommend decanting it, if at all possible. If you can't decant it, definitely give it at least an hour to breathe. All in all, it was an interesting wine that fostered great discussion.

## Lord of War misses its target

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not only the key to his success, but also as the unwavering foundation of his character. Even as the repercussions of his work begin to hit closer to home, Uri is so convincingly indifferent that the audience becomes numb along with him.

This is not to say that *Lord of War* is not an important film, let alone a valiant one. It's a mainstream movie that takes it upon itself to show warfare as the most horrifically profitable commodity on earth, and the case with which we, especially Americans, not only turn a blind eye towards it but fuel its vicious cycle as well. Through Uri, the film argues that the two are one and the same.

It's a worthy message indeed, one that can and should be applauded. But a good film must be more than a good message. Much like Paul Haggis' *Crash*, this year's earlier issue-film and critical darling, *Lord of War's* story is compromised by its own message-obsessed agenda. Should we attempt to relate to Uri's selfish addiction, and in doing so realize our proximity to that evil? It would seem that this is indeed the ultimate goal of the film, but because we are never let inside of Uri's character, we are never led inside of ourselves to exhumate our own thoughts on the weapons trade and its victims. Viewers relish when filmmakers give them issues to chew on. But they would also hope that the protagonists of such films take a few bites as well.

## Collaboration yields mixed results

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The intro and outro melody of "Red Dust" sounds suspiciously like Iron and Wine's "Freedom Hangs like Heaven." In between, the musicians jam southwestern-style, another novelty for Iron and Wine fans.

"Burn that Broken Bed" represents the most equitable stylistic compromise between the album's two authors. With the bluesy, film noir-ish horns and wistful strings of loneliness and plodding vagrancy, this song captures Calexico's desperation and angst. At the same time, Beam's soft crooning makes the song's bleak lyrics—which portray a deserted man clinging to the hope that his lover will return home to make amends—feel oddly comforting.

But the greatest triumph of the album is certainly its final track, "Dead Man's Will." Sung in gospel harmony, this is a peaceful hymn about a dead man's wishes for his family and friends. "May my love reach you all / I lost it in myself and buried it too long / Now that I've come to fall / please say it's not too late now that I'm dead and gone." This song is humble and simple, finally resolving the stolid melancholy of the majority of the album. It ranks among Beam's best ever.

In the *Reins* is nothing if it is not bold. Iron and Wine fans who celebrate the simplicity of *Creek* and *Days* should stay away at the risk of being alienated, for this new album finds Beam largely in the reins of Calexico's southwestern, indie sound.

## Death Cab takes a new direction

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after their switch from independent label Barsuk to the more mainstream Atlantic label and the more polished sound that accompanied that transition, their changing sound correlates to the growth and evolution of their lyrics. Despite its maturation, Death Cab has maintained their powerful command on romance that they have always expressed in a uniquely personal, real, and meaningful way.

Not surprisingly, a wave of dissent has surfaced among independent music fans as the band's popularity has recently soared, rendering them, by default, the "go-to" indie-rock band. Fans whine that Death Cab has lost its edge, and to the horror of the off-pretentious world of indie music, Death Cab was featured on Fox's "The O.C." on more than one occasion. Of course, listening to Plans' moving "I Will Follow You Into The Dark," it isn't hard to envision it playing behind an especially pivotal Seth/Summer moment. But is that really a bad thing?

A worldlier, wiser Death Cab for Cutie presents itself to the world in this exceptional album. Though the band's broadened appeal may make them less appealing to some, their sound remains unique and their lyrics continue to be their forte. Gibbard's strikingly simple yet moving songwriting accentuates his powerful vocal presence. Though the band has drifted further into the mainstream, it certainly hasn't lost its edge.

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# SPORTS

## WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

Men's Soccer  
vs. Colby 2-1 W  
vs. Southern Maine 3-0 W

Women's Soccer  
vs. Colby 3-2 W  
at Bates 1-0 L

Field Hockey  
vs. Colby 3-1 W

Golf  
CBB Championship 2nd  
of 3

Men's Rugby  
Maine Maritime 12-0 W

Sailing  
Casco Bay Open 1st  
of 10

Women's Volleyball  
vs. Colby 3-1 L

## Men's tennis has strength in singles

by Nick Day  
CONTRIBUTOR

The men's tennis team kicked off its fall season at the Middlebury Invitational last weekend. The two-day event, originally slated to be played on Middlebury's 12 outdoor courts, was moved inside Saturday morning due to inclement weather.

Competition was a welcome change for the Polar Bears after weeks of intensive practices. Armin Drake '08 said, "After playing matches within the squad, it was nice to switch things up and see outside competition."

Sophomores Noah Buntman and Garrett Gates saw first round action in the "A" flight singles draw. Gates used his powerful serve and tenacious backhand to defeat Greg Sher of Skidmore 6-3, 6-2. Gates was pleased with the way his game adapted to the surface.

"I aced my opponent the first two points of the match," he said. "It was a great feeling."

Buntman, on the other hand, drew nationally ranked Ari Beilin of Middlebury in the first round. Fighting hard, he was up 3-1 in the first set, but Beilin overcame his early lead to win a close 6-4, 6-3 match.

The weather improved and by mid-afternoon, play got underway outside. In the "B" flight, freshman Alex White squared off against Tom Dolan of Trinity, while Drake played Salih Unsal of Middlebury.

Drake lost 6-2, 6-3 to Unsal. White's match was a close one. After dropping the first set 6-1 and falling behind 5-2 in the second, White fought back valiantly. He rallied to win five straight games and level the

score at one set a piece. The two played a super tiebreaker to decide the match, but Dolan edged out the first year 10-8 to claim the win.

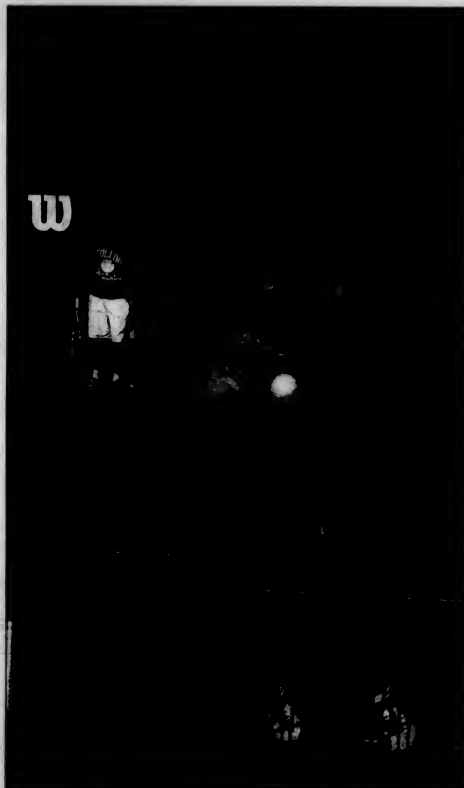
"It was a real close match," White said. "It could have gone either way." Gates saw second round action that afternoon when he went head to head with Brian Waldron, the nationally ranked, number one player from Middlebury. Gates gave Waldron a fight, returning his 130 m.p.h. serves deep in the court and running down ball after ball. But, Waldron served Gates a 6-4, 6-2 loss.

After the match, Gates said, "I gave Waldron a very good match. He's a talented player with some big shots, but he's definitely not unbeatable. No one is Division III tennis is, unbeatable."

In the "C" and "D" flights, sophomore Andrew Fried defeated Jack Martin of Skidmore in three sets, then lost to Tim Fuhrman of Colby in a close 6-4, 7-6 (5) loss. First years Nick Day and Chris Rogers lost their first matches to talented opponents from Trinity and Middlebury, respectively.

Despite a tough start to the weekend, the squad bounced back. On Sunday, first years White, Rogers and Day won their consolation brackets in their respective flights. White won two straight matches to capture the "B" flight consolation championship, while Rogers and Day rolled over their opponents to capture the "C" and "D" flights, respectively.

"Why did I put everything on the line today?" Rogers asked his teammates after winning the "C" consolation championship. "Simple," he said. "Because that's what Bowdoin tennis is all about."



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Andrew Fried returns a ball during a practice match.

## Women's soccer falls to Bobcats in close match.

by Vanessa Kitchen  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Soccer Team lost a close game to Bates last Monday for its first defeat of the season. The 1-0 loss was unexpected for the Polar Bears, since they have won the past six in-season matches against the Bobcats.

Bowdoin was slow to warm up in the first half, allowing the Bobcats to determine the pace of the game. With two minutes remaining the first half, Bates's Molly Wagner scored the only goal of the match.

In the second half, the Polar Bears stepped up their game with 11 shots on goal. Bowdoin had more attempts on goal, outshooting Bates 16-13 over the course of the game. Unfortunately, the Polar Bears had trouble finishing their offensive plays and a few unlucky shots deflected off the goal post. Goalies from both teams had four saves.

"By the second half, we started to move the ball a bit better and had some

chances on net, but nothing to really pose a big threat," said goalie and co-captain Anna Shapell '06. "The loss was disappointing, but it means we're all the more focused on what we need to work on this Saturday, and as long as we set the tone early on, play possession, and capitalize on scoring opportunities, we should do well."

The Polar Bears have a doubleheader at home this weekend against NESCAC powerhouse Williams College at 11 a.m. Saturday and against Brandeis at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

During this weekend's game Bowdoin will look to avenge its one goal loss to Williams during the NESCAC semi-finals. "It's going to be a tough game, because Williams is consistently one of the best teams in the NESCAC. Hopefully we are too, though, so it should be a good match to watch," co-captain Merrie Railsback '06 said.

With three wins under its belt against Bridgewater State, Babson, and Colby, the team seems ready to challenge the Williams Ephs.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomores Roberta Dennison and Katherine Whitley close in on two Colby players during Saturday's match. Bowdoin defeated the Mules 3-2. The Polar Bears will face NESCAC rivals Williams and Brandeis this weekend.



# Athlete Profile: Anna Shapell



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Standout goalkeeper Anna Shapell '06 lands on the ground after blocking a shot from a teammate during a practice scrimmage.

by Chris Bucci  
CONTRIBUTOR

Anna Shapell '06 is now in her fourth year as a staple of the Bowdoin Women's Soccer Team. The Cape Elizabeth, Maine, native quickly made her presence known with her talent in goal after transferring from Boston College.

Her consistent play has allowed Bowdoin to solidify itself as one of the best Division III women's soccer teams in New England.

The visual art and art history double major has developed into the complete in-net package. She is comfortable playing the ball out with either foot and her drop kick is known throughout the league. Shapell has the ability to get airborne and make the punching save, while also knowing when to go for the catch.

After losing All-American Kendall Cox '05 and two other players in the defense, Shapell will be needed to make more than just saves. Anna comes in contact with the ball much more than the average goalie, because her teammates have so much confidence in playing the ball back to her.

"Anna's ability to use both her feet well allows the team to play back to her in pressure situations," noted senior co-captain Kelsey Wilcox '06.

Shapell is not the type of person to just lead by example. Over the past few years not only have her goal-keeping skills improved, but she is more confident on the field.

"The biggest difference from my freshman year is that I have become more vocal. Because I can see the whole field I can help players make the right decision," she said.

Even from 50 yards away Shapell can help run the team like a coach on the field, yelling out the best option for players under pressure.

This season's squad will rely heavily on younger players. Shapell's leadership will help keep the team focused.

Teammate Danielle Chagnon '06 said, "Anna always knows what to say, whether it's in the game, at practice, or off the field. Everyone on the team really respects her."

In the first week of the season she shut out both Bridgewater State and Babson to earn NESCAC Player of the Week honors, but that was no surprise to her teammates.

"Even when we make mistakes, I have confidence that she'll make the save, even on a breakaway. She's like a wall back there," Wilcox said.

Shapell has built a record in goal at Bowdoin, ranking fourth in career shutouts, fifth in career wins, and seventh in career goals-against-average.



## Sport Shorts

### Sailing

The sailing team beat nine other schools in last Saturday's Casco Bay Open to take first place. In A division, sophomores Mark Dineen and Kelly Pitts captured seven firsts out of eight races. The team will compete on Saturday in the Eastern Series Three at Bates College.

### Women's Tennis

The Polar Bears lost 5-4 in their opening match against Connecticut College last Saturday. Bowdoin won four matches in the singles round, but was defeated in the doubles round. The three-day ITA Regional Tournament begins today.

### Men's Golf

The men's golf team captured second place at the Colby-Bates-Bowdoin Championship held at Martindale Golf Course last Saturday. The Polar Bears finished the tournament with a team score of 419, just 11 shots behind Bates. Junior Brandon Malloy won honors

with the day's low score of 77. This Saturday the team will travel to the Williams Invitational at Taconic Golf Course.

### Football

The football team commences its regular season this Saturday in a home game, at 1 p.m. against Middlebury. The Polar Bears will look to avenge last year's loss to the Panthers with strong returning offensive and defensive lines led by seniors Scott Brisson, Jeff Nolin, Mike Stratton, and Shaun Kezer.

### Men's Soccer

The Bowdoin Men's Soccer Team gained two wins this past week. Last Saturday, Bowdoin defeated Colby 2-1 in the second overtime. Senior Andrew Russo scored the game winning goal. Later in the week, the Polar Bears avenged last year's loss to the University of Maine with a 3-0 victory. This Saturday the Polar Bears will face Williams at home.

### Men's Cross Country

After easily outpacing their opponents to take first place in the University of New England season-opener, the Polar Bears will face tougher competition in this Saturday's home meet against Colby. The meet begins at 11 a.m.

### Women's Cross Country

The Bowdoin Women's Cross Country Team took first place in its first meet of the season at the University of New England. Bowdoin runners took the first four places at the meet. The team will race against Colby on Saturday.

### Women's Rugby

The women's rugby team competed in the Beantown Preseason Tourney last Saturday. The team lost to the University of Vermont, defeated Wellesley, and tied Keene State. This Saturday at 1 p.m. Bowdoin will play in its home opener, against the University of New Hampshire.

## Saturday Schedule: Bears in Action!

Cross Country vs. Colby, 11:00 a.m.

Women's Soccer vs. Williams, 11:00 a.m.

Field Hockey vs. Williams, 11:30 a.m.

Men's Soccer vs. Williams, 12:00 p.m.

Football vs. Middlebury, 1:00 p.m.

Women's Rugby vs. New Hampshire, 1:00 p.m.

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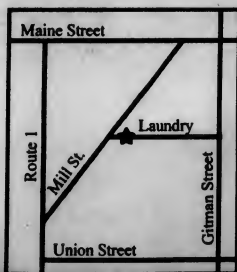
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## Field hockey undefeated



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Senior Margaret Gormley handles the ball Saturday against Colby.

by Anna Karass  
ORIENT STAFF

This weekend the field hockey team will try to preserve its winning streak against NESCAC rival Williams at home.

The Polar Bears swept past Wellesley, Wheaton, and Husson in their three preseason games. Last Saturday, Bowdoin gave Colby its second loss in the season-opener.

In its first game at Wellesley on September 10, Bowdoin returned with a 2-1 victory, with first-year rookie Lindsay McNamara putting away both of the team's goals.

The next day at Wheaton, senior co-captain Christi Gannon scored giving Bowdoin a 1-0 win. Before beginning regular season play, the team topped Husson with an 8-0 victory.

Against Colby, Bowdoin put three shots into the goal to secure its 3-1 victory. Within the first ten minutes of the game, co-captain Burgess LePage '07 scored, giving the Polar Bears an early lead. Teammates Allyson Craib '06 and Hillary

Hoffman '08 scored the team's other two goals.

These early victories demonstrate the team's remarkable depth, despite graduating four key players last year. A mix of stand-out juniors and seniors has filled the void of graduation. Taryn King '07, Christi Gannon '06, Sarah Horn '07, Kate Leonard '07, and Margaret Gormley '06 are leading the charge for the Polar Bears.

In last weekend's comfortable two-goal victory over Colby, all 21 Bowdoin players saw time on the field.

"We have a really deep team with eight incoming freshmen. Last weekend we had every person play. We wanted to show off some strength," said junior co-captain Burgess LePage. "There's no one I wouldn't trust on the field," she said.

The Polar Bears will try to defend last season's overtime victory against the Ephs this Saturday.

"This weekend is a huge game against Williams. We are taking it one game at a time," LePage said.

## Rugby rolls over competition

by Adam Feit  
CONTRIBUTOR

The rugby team traveled to Bangor for its first official match of the season on a gray and rain-soaked day last Saturday. Maine Maritime Academy, a new entrant into the Division II North Conference, was extended a hearty and forceful welcome by the Bowdoin squad in a physical and exciting match.

Despite a first half marred by penalties and bare of tries, Bowdoin emerged triumphant, with a try apiece from senior Dave Friedlander and Derek Castro '09 for a 12-0 victory.

Surprisingly, Friedlander, starting at eight-man, had a tremendous run up the sideline whereas Castro, the fly-half, drove straight up the middle in exciting role reversal.

Captain Luke Flanagan '06 noted, "We won because we stayed disciplined and kept to our game plan, and we were effective offensively because of that. As long as we can keep it up, I think we'll be reeling 'em in for the rest of the season."

The wet conditions of the day made for a chaotic match. Maine Maritime's squad was larger, as expected, but the Polar Bears' skill and training won out in the end.

Coach Rick Scala noted, "They were a team of bruisers and bashers, just like always, but we handled them. I've taken down my share of quarter-tonners in my day, but I was impressed with how everyone on the team was able to execute and make their tackles."



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Derek Castro '09 throws the ball to a teammate during a practice scrimmage. Bowdoin plays the University of Maine at Farmington tomorrow.

But the rugger did not finish the game unscathed—the combination of Maritime's style of play and the rainy conditions made for a physical game for everyone, especially the Bowdoin backline.

Senior Evan Gallagher, playing at inside center for the first time in his career, commented, "Center is a rough position, I really got destroyed out there. But it's all worth it at the end of the day when you just get that warm feeling from the win—it's like nothing else."

Also notable was the play of junior flanker Morgan Connelly, known for his unparalleled in-game drive and fire. Connelly always seemed to

be making a play somewhere on the field.

"I really just let my spirit carry me through the game," Connelly said.

Bowdoin's B-side was even more impressive than the A-side. Playing against another B-side for the first time, the Bs dominated their opponents with a flashy and speedy backline, as well as a stout and skilled forward pack.

Impressive tries were scored by Charlie Ash '09 and the unstoppable sophomore Jake Murray.

The Bowdoin Men's Rugby Team will venture north to play the University of Maine at Farmington on Saturday.

## Red Sox and Yankees: fight to the finish

by Eren Munir  
CONTRIBUTOR

No one who has any interest in major league baseball should have been surprised by the outcome of the last series between the Red Sox and the Yankees two weekends ago.

The penultimate series of the regular season for these two unparalleled rivals started with a lopsided New York victory on September 9, in a game filled with defensive errors by Boston and several long home runs by New York.

The second game displayed a return to form by Curt Shilling, which resulted in an easy victory for the Sox. The rubber game, definitely the most intense match of the series, was an extremely well-played and well-pitched match. The game should become an instant classic for many Yankee fans, simply because the team won 1-0 in the strangest of all possible

pitching duels. The match-up, between the overpowering lefty Randy Johnson and his counterpart Tim Wakefield, left the two teams with a remarkable record of 34-34 since the start of the 2003 season.

In the series, Yankee fans also witnessed Randy Johnson produce arguably his finest of performances. Johnson pitched seven innings of one-hit ball and stifled the Boston batters with a fastball that reached 97 m.p.h. on the radar gun. He also produced a slider that forced the Boston lineup, the most potent offense in baseball, to simply sit back and admire him as one of the greatest pitchers of all time. The intensity he displayed on the mound made Johnson's outing especially spectacular. Starting in the first inning, the 6-foot-10-inch lefthander initiated a staring contest with Johnny Damon and the rowdy Kevin Millar.

The series win for the Yankees was more than a nice accomplishment for

the team. Considering the players' collective \$200 million payroll, the victory was a matter of survival. Before the series, New York struggled to keep up with the Sox in the AL East, and with the surging Cleveland Indians in the AL Wild Card race. The 1-0 win on Sunday meant that the Yanks could gain a game on the Sox and keep up with the Indians for the Wild Card. A loss would have almost guaranteed a failure to reach the postseason for Steinbrenner's crew, considering that it only has have 20 games left to move up in the standings.

If Randy Johnson can continue to pitch like he did on Sunday, then he may be able to act as the anchor to a Yankees rotation, which has been struggling all year.

If Johnson comes through, then the rest of the rotation will improve considerably and lead New York to their 14th consecutive postseason berth.

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# V-ball results mixed

by Ellie Simon  
CONTRIBUTOR

The women's volleyball team arrived at the University of New England ready to win last Wednesday night. The Polar Bears took the Nor'easters in three straight games, 30-28, 30-20, and 31-29, in their victory Wednesday night.

The team's cohesive playing style helped propel it to victory. "Our team works extremely well together. Many of us have been playing together for three years, which really helps our unity," commented Margo Linton, the sophomore setter for the Bears.

Coach Kellie Bearman echoed the same sentiment. "UNE was a big win for us. It's the first time we've gone to their house and won in three. I give the credit to our strong team leadership and maturity on the court," she said.

Leading the Polar Bears to success was junior Julie Calareso, who had a standout performance with a match-high of 19 kills and 18 defensive digs.

Later in the week the team went to Waterville and challenged Amherst at Colby.

Despite the Bears' best efforts, however, the Jeffs took a 30-16, 30-23, 30-21 victory over Bowdoin.

The Bears accepted the loss and are using it to improve. Against Amherst, Bowdoin got eight kills from senior Ellie Simon and five kills from Calareso, who also contributed 15 digs.

Linton also displayed her skill with 21 assists.

Senior Kelly Bougere said, "So far every game has been an improvement on the last. I think our match with Amherst really showed that we have the potential to be a top team in the NESCAC."

For Bearman the level of play speaks for the quality of the team's performance.

"There was little to regret after the match, which was hard fought and one played with intensity. We hope to get another shot at Amherst in post-season when we'll be healthier and stronger," she said.

The Bears' solid play and strong team effort will serve them well in their upcoming NESCAC matches, especially in this weekend's Polar Bear Invitational.

The Bears will play at 10 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 3 p.m. in Morrell Gym this Saturday.

## Andrew Russo scores game-winning goal against Colby



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Andrew Russo scores the game winning goal with a free kick just outside of the penalty box in double overtime against Colby in Saturday's game. It was Russo's 30th goal for the Polar Bears.

# Rowing comes together in preparation for the season



Courtesy of Katie Wells

by Anna Messerly  
CONTRIBUTOR

Only in the world of rowing are coxswains and boatswains found. Rowing is unique not only in its positions, but also in its unusual power to bring a team together.

After heavy losses to graduation last year, the team will look to the wisdom of its returning rowers and an unusually experienced group of first years.

Many rowers come to the team without any prior experience because it is not difficult to learn the required skills. But even rowers who come to Bowdoin with experience find college rowing to be an entirely different experience. Captain Mark Hendrickson '07 recalls the transition from rowing at private clubs in his native San Francisco to rowing at Bowdoin.

"Even my first year of rowing at Bowdoin," Hendrickson recalled, "was much more competitive, and we won many more medals than I was used to."

The veteran members of team

have kept busy in the preseason period recruiting, helping the coaches, organizing transportation, and overseeing the team in general. Hendrickson is currently spearheading a campaign to improve the crew facility by repainting, putting up mirrors, and installing fans.

Boatswains Ed Carr '08, Kari Barber '06, and Lauren Duerksen '08 have also worked to improve the facility.

For many rowers, the relationships formed among team members are an integral part of Bowdoin rowing. Hendrickson believes "there is something about participating closely with a small group of people in such a physically and mentally intense activity that solidifies friendships."

Duerksen added, "I love that pretty much anywhere I go on campus I see more than one rower."

The team has been training together since the beginning of the school year. The rowers will compete in their first regatta on October 2.

Bowdoin rowers train for their grueling season. The team's first competition will be on October 2.

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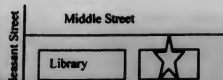


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## No time for patience

The arrival of Paul Rusesabagina to campus elicited an enormous response from the student body. The Bowdoin Film Society has screened *Hotel Rwanda* every night this week, and will continue to do so through the weekend. Tickets for Mr. Rusesabagina's Common Hour talk ran out soon after tickets became available. Students rightly feel awe and admiration for the man who, abandoned by the world, risked his life fighting against the unspeakable horror that engulfed Rwanda over a decade ago.

Any student who attended a screening of *Hotel Rwanda* this week likely found herself overwhelmed by guilt over how Americans wallowed while thousands of Africans were slaughtered by hand.

It may be too late for us to stand behind Mr. Rusesabagina, but it is not too late for us to stand against the genocide of today.

The Sudanese government currently sponsors the Janjaweed militia in its terrorization of villages in the Darfur region of the Sudan. The violence in this region has displaced close to a million people from their homes. Many are in camps where there isn't enough food or water to sustain the multitudes of refugees. Women are raped on a daily basis. One hundred thousand people have already died. If left unchecked, the genocide will extend beyond blatant murder. For many, disease and starvation will finish the job the militia started.

Mr. Rusesabagina's visit to Bowdoin rightly prompts us to reflect on the horrors of the Rwandan bloodshed. But it should also spur us into action against the bloodshed going on presently. There are two easy things you can do today: read an article about genocide, and write your elected officials. It should not take a feature film 11 years after the fact to bring the issue of genocide to the forefront of our collective conscience.

As Raphael Lemkin, a Polish Jewish Holocaust survivor and later inventor of the term "genocide," asked, "When the rope is already around the neck of the victim and strangulation is imminent, isn't the word 'patience' an insult to reason and nature?"

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Heath doesn't preach true Christianity

To the Editors:  
Looking back to Monday evening and the infamous Michael Heath/Reverend Sandy Williams visit, it all seems so surreal. To think that people could hold such prejudices and call themselves Christians is simply beyond me. It offends me as both a Christian and a human being.

But what distresses me more than the memory of these hurtful follies, demonstrated so blatantly that evening, is their egregious misrepresentation of the church.

Sadly, many people spurn Christianity because they do not get a just impression of it, and the vitriolic tone set by Heath is a prime example of the wrong impression.

I wish that everyone could understand that being a true Christian should not make you fanatical or bigoted, but in fact more willing to embrace humanity openly; especially in knowing that we were all made in God's image and have an equal chance for salvation.

The fact that Heath prayed at the end in Jesus's name makes me cringe because in doing so he was invoking someone clearly at odds with his twisted and misguided view.

Although I cannot reverse what Heath said and do not expect to change his views, all I ask of those reading this letter is to consider the glorious, healing, and soul-changing aspects of one's spirituality—the most important thing in life—and never to associate Christ's church with the malicious words that these men expressed.

Sincerely,  
Margaret Fuller '06

### Maine should not tolerate immorality

To the Editors:  
I think that many people misinterpreted the reason why Michael Heath and the Maine Christian Civic League oppose the anti-discrimination bill. It isn't that they favor discrimination of gay people, but instead, they are worried about the bill's ramifications in society.

All humans are created in the image of God; thus, all should be treated with love and respect. Based on the Bible, many Christians believe that sex outside of sanctified marriage is a sin—but everyone sins in some way. Judging others is wrong, but it doesn't mean you have to tolerate immoral behavior.

Heath observed that the passing of a similar law in Massachusetts led to gay marriage—and who knows what is next? The introduction of the law in Maine will lead to gradual acceptance of immorality.

In today's society, the individual's desire is exalted above all else. Continuation of this theme will lead to further depravity and disorder.

At the grassroots level, our society has been organized into family units—the combined influence of a father and mother has been shown to be the most effective way of raising a child and ordering society.

I pray that the family will endure and morality will return as the impetus that governs individual behavior.  
Sincerely,  
Kristen Brownell '07

### Linhart did not support argument well

To the Editors:  
I would like to comment on Zachary Linhart's letter, published in the September 16 issue of the Orient. At Bowdoin, there is need for dialogue on issues of race and racism and thus, I am happy Linhart shared his opinions.

Such opinions, however, need to come with appropriate and detailed arguments.

I sincerely hope that Linhart's letter was a product of a brief attempt in the a.m. hours after Pub Night and not an example of the best he's capable of in an academic setting.

Sincerely,  
Yana Domuschieva '04  
Sofia, Bulgaria

### Letter shows lack of racial understanding

To the Editors:  
Mr. Linhart's derogatory letter in the last edition of the Orient shows that racial ignorance remains in society. A random Gallup Poll, which apparently resulted in "72% of black Americans" believing that George Bush "doesn't care about black people," is a ridiculous foundation for an argument. To follow up that particular comment, Linhart also said that 67% of whites disagreed with that view.

Since when has this become solely a black and white issue? Don't other races have a say in this problem?

Kanye West said that he felt that Bush "does not care about black people." Does he represent the entire black voice in America? There are plenty of educated black people in America, and probably only a fraction of them listen to rap music or know who Kanye West is.

It is also poor taste to hint that the black community believes that a natural disaster is the fault of one man, or any man for that matter. The black community actually has common sense.

The real issue is Bush's response time, not his lack of compassion for the black community. Frankly, Mr. Linhart simply wrote this article as a cheap shot to the black intellect at Bowdoin and the black intellect across the nation.

Sincerely,  
William K. Gilchrist '06

### Yellow showed students care about queers

To the Editors:  
As one of the organizers of the protest against Michael Heath, an openly gay student, and someone deeply involved with queer issues on campus, I felt the need to write this note to thank the Bowdoin community for its show of support for human

rights on Monday night.

In the time I have been at Bowdoin, I have heard about and participated in criticizing the campus's apathetic attitude toward queer issues. However, after watching the streams of yellow shirts cross the quad and flood the Visual Arts Center a half-hour before Heath's presentation was even scheduled to begin, I will have to think hard before I ever complain again.

The flock of yellow was the realization of something for me which, until now, has been intangible, or perhaps even mythical. It showed me that Bowdoin is filled with allies that care about the queer members of our community and this nation.

This is the reason that the only comment I took offense to from Heath was his assertion: "Bowdoin is better than this," in reference to the heated questions that followed his talk (note: the rest of Heath's comments were too devoid of thought and logic to warrant any other reaction other than disgust).

To me, Bowdoin has never been better than it was on Monday night. The passionate and enraged response that Heath's thinly veiled message of hate and lies produced from the yellow-clad audience literally brought me to tears.

Ironically, I have never felt safer and more welcome in my time at Bowdoin than when I was attending an anti-queer rights presentation. Go figure.

So, to every person that wore yellow (or wanted to but just couldn't find any), thank you, and don't forget to vote on 11!

Sincerely,  
Dan Robinson '07

### Manipulation of facts shows political bias

To the Editors:

I am writing in response to the letter entitled "Bush is Not Oblivious to Poverty," in which Miles Pope writes about the poverty rates during recent presidencies. He admits, "It is true that the poverty rate rose last year. Indeed, it has risen over all four years of Mr. Bush's presidency," and then goes on to assert that "the poverty rate remained above 12.7 percent for the first six years of Mr. Clinton's presidency."

When I saw this argument, I was reminded of a similar claim made by Reverend Joe Watkins on the September 12 showing of CNN's "Paula Zahn Now." During the show he said, "Under Bill Clinton, 15.1 percent of the population was poor; under President Bush, 12.7 percent of the population is poor. That's a reduction; that's a good thing."

However, it is clear that the poverty rate decreased during all 8 years of the so-called "black heart[ed]" Clinton presidency, and has increased during all 4 years of the Bush presidency. True, poverty started out high under the Clinton administration, but that is only because of the failed Bush Sr. presidency.

The problem with the argument made by Watkins, the same one repeated by Mr. Pope, is not that the facts are wrong, but rather that they have been manipulated in a way that shows prejudice and political bias.

Sincerely,  
Sam Read '09

## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

## Heath poorly represented Christianity

To the Editors:

To me, the most appalling thing about Monday night's event with Mike Heath was not Heath's speech or the behavior of Bowdoin students, though both were horrendous. What bothered me most about the whole thing was how Heath pleaded with us to respect the Baptist minister he brought with him, saying, "Please, this man is a man of the cloth." I have my own plea to make: please, don't award respect to anyone based on what they are, or what people say they are. Make your judgment on who they are and what they say.

That "man of the cloth" was a pastor, certainly, but he was not preaching about the Christ I know. My greatest fear springing from Monday night was that anyone who heard Heath's message of intolerance will think that all Christians feel this way, but they do not. My greatest grief springing from Monday night was that when Heath tried to close in prayer, students became disruptive and got up, as if nothing related to Christianity was worth respecting.

Bowdoin, I'm telling you right now: the Christianity I know is not a creed of discrimination or hate, but one of love for all people, regardless of who they are. Humans aren't very good at loving everybody, but any professing Christian sure ought to try. I appeal to one of the major themes of the evening: be slow to judge.

Sincerely,  
Charlotte Carnevale, '06

## Blacks do not irrationally blame Bush

To the Editors:

I must say that I was deeply disturbed by the letter titled "Bush unjustly accused of being racist." The writer seems to believe that black people hate Bush and that they irrationally blame him for everything that goes wrong in the black community.

I don't think that most of the black students here at Bowdoin would blame Bush for natural disasters which affect black communities. However, Bush can share the blame for the lack of efficiency of the U.S. government in dealing with this disaster. Even he has mentioned numerous times that he did not

respond to the situation appropriately.

Furthermore, it seems that the idea that blacks think Bush is insensitive to the black community was drawn from a comment made by a popular rapper on TV last week. If everyone formed their opinions by listening to rappers then this country would be in serious trouble.

Many in the black community here at Bowdoin thought that Kanye West's comments were inappropriate and not well-articulated. I feel that West was selfish to bring up the issue at that time because the real purpose of the event was to raise money for the Katrina victims.

I agree that "George W. Bush, the president and commander-in-chief of the armed forces, is smoking cigars in his office all day." But instead of plotting against black people, he's plotting ways to make himself a richer man instead of giving attention to the concerns of the country.

Sincerely,  
Roman Jackson '06

## Heath is close-minded and unaccepting

To the Editors:

After attending Michael Heath's non-"Bible thumping" talk, I am absolutely astonished by his lack of attention to detail, his deliberate avoidance of nearly all of the questions posed, and his irrational and illogical justification for his unbelievable claims.

Throughout his talk, all that I could think about was how haughty and conceited he acted with his constant references to Christianity and western civilization. Why does he think that he is so much better than others that he feels he can judge and rule over them? Who is he to say that homosexuals, heterosexuals, bisexuals and others should receive different treatment under the law?

No matter how close-minded and ignorant he sounded, I grew most angry when, after dodging many questions, he asked those in attendance to pray with him. This appeal for prayer further showed his genuine misunderstanding of differences of human beings: not everyone is Christian. While I am glad that the College Republicans brought Mr. Heath to Bowdoin to expose our community to fresh political thought, I am disappointed in his general lack of tolerance and acceptance of people who are not exactly like he is.

Sincerely,  
Ben Freeman '09

## Speaker and students disappoint

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

As an ardent supporter of equal rights, I was both frustrated by the guest speakers at Monday's event and disappointed by many of the protestors in attendance.

The argument put forth by Mr. Heath, while well-worded, was fundamentally flawed. No matter how carefully he put it, the keystone of his argument was that he felt that gay, bisexual, and transgender employees were not discriminated against enough to warrant legislation prohibiting such discrimination in the state of Maine. He did not cite any statistics, reports, studies, or anything concrete to support this highly unstable premise.

The reason he did not do this is very simple: there is no concrete way to prove that gays, bisexuals, and transgender people are not discriminated against in employment. Who would provide objective evidence disproving claims of discrimination? The employers? Other gay/bi/trans employees who don't feel discriminated against?

No single employer or employee can speak to the practices or experiences of every other employer or employee in the state. Mr. Heath could not have cited any legitimate sources to corroborate his speculation because no such sources exist.

In addition to the faults of this specific argument, Mr. Heath's defense of the larger argument against same-

sex marriage also rested on a shaky foundation. When stripped to its bare bones, his argument against same-sex marriage was supported by two very unstable pillars.

The first pillar is tradition: the idea that marriage ought to be an exclusively heterosexual union because it's always been that way, historically. Well, any student of logic will tell you that the premise that something is "right" because it's "always been done that way" is downright silly.

History does not dictate what is "right." Our society proved that when we acknowledged that it is wrong to discriminate against people based on skin color (Civil Rights Act, 1964, 1991), gender (19th Amendment, 1919), religious belief (First Amendment, 1789), and other external qualities. Hell, we proved that when we let go of the idea of a geocentric universe (1604, Galileo's proof of a heliocentric universe).

The second pillar is faith: the idea that marriage ought to be an exclusively heterosexual union because the Bible says so. Because it is against the rules of a free and just democracy to legislate faith-based opinion, this premise cannot overwhelm legal rationale. Yet it seemed that the only response Mr. Heath and his guest could conjure was to give an absurdly off-topical and hypocritical history lesson on how the Baptists were the original champions of secularized government.

So, the guests' arguments had holes. Big ones. But instead of

approaching Mr. Heath's talk as a golden opportunity to dissect his argument intellectually and challenge him with carefully crafted questions concerning the stability of his premises, the majority of the activist contingent of Monday's audience chose to ask questions originating from emotional reactions to what Mr. Heath's argument stood for.

Many questions were poorly articulated, desultorily delivered, and indirect, making it easy for the speakers to avoid direct (or even relevant) responses. Some were embarrassingly easy to dismiss. Somebody actually asked, "Do you think gays are human beings?" What did the person who lobbed this one to Mr. Heath expect him to respond? "No, I don't think gays are human beings... try to disprove that!"

There were two or three questions that were articulated and direct enough to shed light through the seams. But on the whole, the activist crowd handled the Q&A portion of the event in a way that reflected anti-intellectualism, premeditated hostility, and a chaotic lack of respect for opinions different from their own. Ironically, they managed to make Mr. Heath look like the guardian of reason.

I would suggest that for future events, my fellow liberals keep this in mind: people's minds are rarely changed by loud and disrespectful opponents. Persuasion is an art mastered by champions of reason, not volume.

## Republicans not conservative

by Will Hales  
CONTRIBUTOR

In attending the lecture given by Michael Heath on Monday night, an event sponsored by the College Republicans, I saw a Republican party that over the past decade has been transformed by an increasingly polarized American political system.

I am by no means an expert in political science or the study of American government, but it is my understanding that two central tenets of conservatism are the protection of an individual's rights over that of a group and the tendency of an elected government to restrain itself from legislation unless absolutely necessary, so that the system itself does not obstruct the rights and progress of the people it protects.

In this sense, the Republican party no longer holds as its standard the conservative values it purports to further. The greatest social issues we

face today—those concerning gay rights, abortion, and medical research using embryonic stem cells—are being actively attacked by the Republican party, and these attacks are primarily grounded in religion.

I strongly believe that there is a place for religion in government; there are no religions of which I am aware that do not teach its followers to practice love, compassion, and care for fellow people. I feel that a commitment to these basic values is a true requisite for an elected official.

However, when the influence of one's religious practices leads to legislative attempts to limit the rights of those outside of a certain faith, the line between church and state must be drawn and enforced.

Pastor Sandy Williams, spiritual leader of the First Baptist Church of Freeport and a participant in Monday night's question and answer session, was asked to interpret Paul's first let-

ter to the Corinthians, specifically the passage that, in my Bible, reads, "for what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those who are inside the church whom you are to judge?" (1 Corinthians 5:12).

In interpreting one's right and responsibility to judge another, Pastor Williams proved the point of those who would object to a religious group strong-arming legislative action in the interest of one group's religious ideal.

He explicitly stated in front of a group of primarily yellow-clad Bowdoin students, myself among them, that it was his responsibility to spiritually guide those within his faith. It is not the right of religious interest groups to legislate their views while obstructing those of others.

Clearly the vote to repeal the gay rights law on November 8 is of vital importance to the state of Maine and the individual rights of those residing within its borders.

But this highly partisan fight speaks to a greater conflict over the new face assumed by a political party that no longer values legislative restraint.

Today religious pressure dictates that spiritual law shall become the de facto law of every individual in this country.

I am a conservative, and I am a spiritual (and hopefully) moral person. I have reluctantly supported George W. Bush in two presidential campaigns, perceiving him to be the lesser of two evils. His agenda, and that of his party, has proven to be a demonstrated threat against the civil liberties of the American people.

It is for this reason that I write this indictment of the Republican party, asking, as a former member, for an explanation of how a party of conservatives can support a social agenda that is decidedly not conservative.

## Afflicted by public displays of affection

by Lauren McGrath  
CONTRIBUTOR

PDA. I'll translate for those of you who don't get out much: Public Display of Affection. You've seen outbreaks of it at Bowdoin, or back home, but this summer and fall I became an expert on the subject, or should I say affliction? I tracked it down all over New York City for Seventeen Magazine, and now I'm surrounded by it in Paris. And let me tell you, it's getting a little bit out of control.

Working as an intern this past summer, I got pretty intimate with the ins and outs of PDA. My first

day on the job, I was designated the "guy-on-the-street girl" for the summer—meaning it was my job to interview guys between the ages of 15 and 22 on topics such as "PDA" and "Sweet Gestures He Likes." Talk about pulling teeth.

My days spent as the "guy on the street girl" certainly did not encompass the "glamorous" summer I had envisioned when I accepted the internship at Seventeen. But nevertheless, hunting for boys to talk to between the ages of 15 and 22 in all of the major parks and meeting places in New York became my summer.

I talked to so many guys about PDA that I ended up interviewing

the same guy (in New York City!) twice. So naturally, in addition to talking to people about PDA, I also ended up noticing it around me like never before.

Three weeks ago I arrived in Paris to study abroad for three months. At this point, I was ready to leave my PDA research behind and get on with things. To my chagrin, however, from the moment I stepped out of the taxicab at my new apartment, I realized it might not be as easy as I thought.

The PDA in Paris is out of control. Even for me, a PDA specialist, I have never seen anything like it before. It's everywhere: in line for my crêpe, on the metro, and

even in nice restaurants. I have to watch people cuddling, kissing and furiously making out.

And let me tell you, the hour of the day doesn't matter to these people.

All of the mushy-gushy, gazing lovingly into each other's eyes on the metro, and making out in restaurants have really gotten to me.

I've had enough. And I have to say, Parisians really take PDA to the next level.

In my haste to find the answer as to why PDA is not only so preva-

Please see PDA, page 19

# Bowdoin's liberal students are disrespectful once again

by Zachary Linhart  
CONTRIBUTOR

Above all things, above being a Republican and a conservative, I am for Bowdoin. I love the school, care for my friends here, enjoy the classes, appreciate the professors, and cherish the experience that I am having. Apparently, many students on this campus do not feel this way.

This past Monday, the Bowdoin College Republicans hosted a lecture by the leader of the Maine Christian Civic League, Michael Heath. Mr. Heath is currently the lead supporter of voting yes on Question 1 on the upcoming referendum in Maine. A yes vote will repeal the gay rights clause in Maine law which was recently passed.

This clause adds terms such as "gay," "lesbian," and "transgender" to the law against discrimination in Maine.

Many people oppose this bill because they claim that gays are being discriminated against in Maine (by gays I mean gay, lesbian, transgender, bisexual, and any other name that can be thought of).

However, much to their knowledge, but little to their liking, this is the third referendum on this issue in Maine. Both times the people of this wonderful state rejected the proposal to add the gay rights legislation to

Maine law.

Nevertheless, liberals used their favorite technique to get the bill through: they found someone in the government sympathetic to their cause and exploited him. Governor Baldacci convinced the state legislature to sign the bill, even though it was apparently against the will of the people (as shown by popular vote twice).

In attendance at the event, the liberals on campus, in a bold move, decided to pack the lecture hall, all of them wearing yellow shirts!

Hey, I have no problems with protesting. That's what liberals do, is it not?

Much to their disappointment, Mr. Heath's speech was informative and entertaining. He presented his point well, and in addition, he spoke much about other flaws in our society besides the gay rights bill at hand.

Problems started arising at the end of Mr. Heath's speech and during the Q&A when the liberals could no longer hold back their hatred. No matter if a person agreed with what Mr. Heath said or not, here at Bowdoin one would expect people to

have respect for their peers and especially their elders.

During the Q&A there was heckling, accusative, hateful questions (if you can call five minute tirades without inquiry questions), and worst of all, blatant disrespect for Pastor Williams, who was aiding Mr. Heath in responding to the "questions."

Michael Heath wrote in his blog, he wrote: "At one point I was forced to defend Pastor Williams from cat calls and antagonism. The 'tolerance' was clearly going in only one direction last night. Tolerance for the gay agenda was acceptable while

tolerance of a contrary viewpoint was unacceptable."

The liberals on campus failed at their first and foremost task as students at this enchanting educational

institution: listening to a diverse forum and then siding with what they agree with.

On Monday they failed to even consider Mr. Heath's side of the argument and made fools out of themselves. As Mr. Heath pointed out during the Q&A, the liberals proved his point by showing the

degradation of society that is currently taking place.

At the end of the Q&A session, and after numerous drawn out "questions" and disrespectful comments and actions, Mr. Heath said he wanted to say a short prayer. The prayer was in no way religious, it was just a few short words wishing us all the best and being thankful for what we have.

Yet, in what I considered the liberals' greatest disrespect of all, many of them got up, rustled their belongings, and walked out while Mr. Heath was in the middle of this minute-long prayer. A final act of insolence by

the Bowdoin College liberals.

In closing, I quote William DeWitt Hyde, the seventh president of Bowdoin. This is targeted towards all of you liberals who were at the event and the ones who weren't there, but would have acted the same way if they had been.

President Hyde, in his "Offer of the College" written in 1906, wrote that it is our obligation "To gain a standard for the appreciation of others' work; And the criticism of your own".

What would President Hyde think of your actions this past Monday my fellow students? Shame on you!

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## Surrounded by Parisian lovers

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lent, but also much more intense in Paris, I concluded that it had to be all in the location...I mean I am in the most romantic city in the world.

Maybe it's just Paris itself that brings out all of this touchy-feeliness in people.

Still perplexed by its abundance, I asked my born-and-raised Parisian friend, Mathieu, why I was witnessing so many make-out sessions.

Mathieu had quite a different take on the PDA scene here in Paris.

He believes it is not the innate romance of the city that makes PDA so widespread, but it is that Parisians have a completely different mindset when it comes to kiss-

ing, holding hands, and making out in public.

He thinks Parisians care less about how PDA makes other people feel...like maybe a little uncomfortable? Just a guess.

According to Mathieu, PDA is more about being in the moment with another person: "When you are with a girl, you don't care about the people around you. You are just focused on her. It's like you're in your own bubble, and you want to show her that you care about her...so you kiss her. You don't care that you're showing your love to the world...you're not thinking about other people."

Well, I guess that's one way to look at it. Me, I'd rather keep all of that private, especially after a summer of agonizing over every inch of the "meaning" of PDA.

## Persuasion should be poised

by Matt Wieler  
CONTRIBUTOR

The people of Maine will soon have the opportunity to decide whether or not it is a good idea to extend basic legal protections against sexual-identity discrimination.

Vote no on 1 and the protections are extended. Vote yes on 1 and they are not.

This is, of course, an easy decision. Just ask Michael Heath's Christian Civic League. For the sake of preserving social order and gender identity, the very pillars of our society, we must vote yes!

Or ask the folks at Maine Won't Discriminate. Vote no on 1; it's an open-and-shut civil rights case. Simple!

Simple, at least, for the people who are mobilizing voters to vote one way or the other on 1. Groups on both sides of this issue agree on one thing and one thing only: that the righteousness of their position is self-evident.

But the people of Maine aren't so sure. Their vote on this issue split 51 percent/49 percent in 1998 and 50.5 percent/49.5 percent in 2000, according to The Morning Sentinel.

How do you convince this undecided majority to vote no on 1?

By all indications, this question is

on the minds of many Bowdoin students.

We have volunteered in droves to assist with the voter-registration effort, and hundreds of us, clad in yellow, packed into Kresge Auditorium to listen to Michael Heath speak.

His organization is largely responsible for challenging the new anti-discrimination law through referendum and his presentation Monday night gave us a few insights into how we as Bowdoin students can help spearhead an effective "no on 1 campaign."

*We can probably all agree that we do not want to adopt Heath's manner and attitude for ourselves.*

It's not enough to be right. Both sides have righteousness in spades, yet neither one can seem to get more than half of their peers to agree with them.

A successful no on 1 campaign must be persuasive. A persuasive campaign is not disrespectful, smug, or condescending.

Personally, I found Mr. Heath to be all of these things. He said that "Western culture" (wherever that may be) pioneered the end of slavery

and holds claim to the institution of democracy.

And he made the despicable calculation that it is more acceptable to hate more uncommon minorities; he reserved his most vitriolic comments for the transgendered. In short, Michael Heath embodies the fundamental nastiness of the vote yes campaign's fight to preserve the legal right to discriminate on the basis of sexual identity.

We can probably all agree that we do not want to adopt Heath's manner and attitude for ourselves. He is hateful and unconvincing.

So why not be as conspicuously different from him as possible?

He is condescending. Let's never be too sophisticated to explain our position to anyone willing to listen.

He assumes that anyone who disagrees with him is going to hell. Let's not presume bigotry on the part of anyone who disagrees with us.

He issued unsolicited mandates from his podium, commanding us to react to his presentation in a certain way. Let's not tell people where to sit or if they may clap.

By being all the things Michael Heath is not, I believe Bowdoin students can reach out to the people of Maine and help forge a consensus that will usher this state into a new era of civil rights.

The Orient wants you to contribute!



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Robin Tranguard '06 displays her disapproval for speaker Michael Heath's message on Monday evening.

Read the paper online at  
<http://orient.bowdoin.edu>



# The Weekly Calendar

## September 23-29

### Friday

#### Common Hour

Paul Rusesabagina, the hero portrayed in *Hotel Rwanda*, gives a lecture entitled "Hotel Rwanda: A Lesson Yet to Be Learned."  
Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

**Bowdoin Hillel**  
Shabbat candle lighting.  
Johnson House, 6:30 p.m.

#### Hotel Rwanda

One man saves thousands of refugees during the 1994 genocide in Rwanda by sheltering them in his hotel.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.

#### Rachael Yamagata

"Munny" Munford '07 opens for smoky-voiced singer Rachael Yamagata, whose styles range from country to jazzy pop.  
Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
8 p.m.

### Saturday

**Hotel Rwanda**  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.

### Sunday

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel,  
4:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### Afternoon Talk

Charles S. Peskin, Professor of Mathematics at New York University, offers a lecture on "Fractal Geometry of the Aortic and Pulmonic Heart Valves."  
Searles Science Building,  
Room 217, 4-5 p.m.

#### Dance and Theater

Trisha Bauman '84 gives a lecture and demonstration on contemporary choreography and performance.  
Room 601, Memorial Hall, Kresge Dance Studio, 7:15-8:30 p.m.

#### Photography

Join JoAnne Becker as she leads a workshop on photographic printing with liquid emulsion.  
Craft Center, behind Admissions,  
7-9 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Beginning Photography

Jim McCarthy teaches an introductory class on photography.  
Craft Center, behind Admissions,  
7-9 p.m.

#### Textile Painting

Cathy Worthington teaches techniques for creating art on fabric.  
Craft Center, behind Admissions,  
6:30-9 p.m.

#### U.S. Democracy Abroad

Dr. Sean Roberts speaks on U.S. foreign policy and the recent revolutions in Georgia, Ukraine, and Kyrgyzstan.  
Peucinian Room, Sills Hall,  
7-8:30 p.m.



Black's Harbor, a stop en route to Bowdoin's scientific station on Kent Island in New Brunswick, Canada.

### Wednesday

#### "The Headscarf as a Symptom"

Dr. Bettina Mathes travels from Berlin to lead us through the history of cultural and religious veiling of women.  
Bean Classroom, Kresge Visual Arts Center, 4-5:30 p.m.

#### Ceramics

Bill Flood gives a class on wheel-throwing techniques.  
Craft Center, behind Admissions,  
Introductory class: 4-6 p.m.  
Intermediate class: 7-9 p.m.

#### Film and Discussion

Amie Siegel shows and discusses her film, *Empathy*, that centers on psychoanalysis.  
Visual Arts Center, Kresge Auditorium, 7-9:30 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Kibble Science Lecture

Astrophysicist David Spergel gives a talk titled "The New Cosmology."  
Cleaveland Hall, Room 151,  
7:30 p.m.

#### Brodie Family Lecture

Jonathan Zimmerman, author, presents a speech titled "We Are All Pluralists Now: The Surprising History of America's Culture Wars."  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.



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## Intellectual property allegation 'resolved'

by James D. Baumbarger  
ORIENT STAFF

After an investigation into a claim that a senior administration official improperly used the work of a faculty member in a grant application, President Mills said in an interview with the Orient that the "issue has been resolved" and that all parties concerned "are in good standing with the College."

Mills would not discuss details of the College's decision in regard to the matter, reported in last week's issue of the Orient. The allegation, made public at a faculty meeting last April by Professor of Biology Carey Phillips, consisted of a claim that a faculty member's work was submitted as a grant proposal without attribution or permission from that faculty member.

"Fundamentally, this was an issue that involved personnel," Mills said. "Like in dealings with students, this is remaining confidential."

He added that faculty—other than

## Hockey team tears up the turf



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Taryn King '07 dribbles down the turf in Saturday's game against Williams. The Polar Bears won 2-1 in sudden-death penalty strokes.

those on the Faculty Affairs Committee that took up the issue beginning last spring—would not be notified of any personnel decisions reached.

Mills underscored that he and the faculty involved in investigating the incident "took all that was said and reported very seriously."

"All appropriate measures were taken to uphold the integrity of the College," he said.

He would not discuss the details of the case other than to say, "The allegation that there was a security breach was not accurate."

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## Black student yield tops those of rival colleges

Journal also ranks  
Bowdoin last in percentage  
of black tenured faculty

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin's effort to attract minority students has led it to an admissions yield of over 40 percent among black students.

The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education reported Tuesday that Bowdoin's black student yield of 47.8 percent is the highest of the 24 liberal arts schools that the Journal investigated.

Though Bowdoin finished with the top black student yield among liberal arts schools, the Journal ranked Bowdoin 17th out of 24 liberal arts schools in their total "success in integrating African Americans." The rankings consisted of 13 objective indicators of integration, including percentage of blacks in the student body, percentage of total faculty who are black, and the black student graduation rate.

Of the 21 schools that submitted data on the percentage of black tenured faculty, Bowdoin ranked the

lowest at 1.1 percent. Colby College, ranked second lowest in this category, boasted a percentage nearly three times that of Bowdoin.

Dean of Admissions Dick Steele explained Bowdoin's high black student yield as a product of campus programs. He specifically noted the Bowdoin Experience, a weekend when accepted minority students can visit the College, as a major factor in convincing accepted students to matriculate at Bowdoin.

"There's a campus-wide desire to have greater diversity," Steele said. "It isn't just admissions making this happen, it's the College community."

Steele, Bowdoin Dean of Admissions from the fall of 1991 to the summer of 2001, came out of retirement to take the position again for the year.

"Having been away for four years, I'm very impressed with the progress; I'm very pleased with how diverse the student body has become," Steele said.

Director of First Year and Multicultural Student Programs Stacey Jones '00 credited Bowdoin's recruiting efforts as the main force of

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## BSG to hold re-election

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay McKesson '07 says he will not run for the Class of 2007 presidency in the upcoming re-election.

McKesson was disqualified in last week's election by the BSG Elections Committee because of his role as student government president. McKesson originally planned on running again, but after discussions with the BSG officer team, he decided to end his candidacy.

McKesson maintains that his candidacy did not break any election

rules. In an interview, he said that he withdrew from the election Tuesday in order to maintain a good working relationship with BSG's vice presidents and treasurer. Those officers make up the Election Committee that decided McKesson's fate.

"At the end of the day, it is about this team more than it is about me," he said. "This team will be able to do great things."

McKesson said that the roles of student body president and class president are very different. Class presidents are not considered members of the voting student govern-

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## Government faces strained semester

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

With five professors on leave and 19.9 percent of declared students government majors, Bowdoin's government department is in a state of transition, according to Department Chair Paul Franco.

At Bowdoin, most of the popular government classes are completely full and some are over the limit. These super-sized classes include an Advanced Seminar in Democracy and Development in Asia, Constitutional Law I, Introduction to International Relations, and Classical Political Philosophy.

At the same time, however, some classes are under the maximum cap size. Eleven classes, including Introduction to Political Behavior, Environmental Policy and Politics, Maine Politics, and Middle East Politics, are not full.

Director of Institutional Research Christine Cote said that the overcrowded government courses are not because of a faulty registration system.

"We have a system based on fair-

ness," she said. "There are several very popular classes that a lot of students want. That's where it springs from."

This semester, 45 percent of students received all of their top-choice courses. This number is the median when compared to past statistics. Last fall, 48 percent got their top picks, compared to 42 percent the year before that.

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## Teenager with record crashes party

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Tyler J. Morin, 19, danced the night away at Quinby House on Saturday, September 17, impressing many with his moves. A week later, sitting with his mother watching the Polar Bears play football, the Brunswick Police Department issued him a criminal trespass warning.

Three days after the game, the Department of Safety and Security issued an alert informing the com-

munity that Morin was prohibited from the College. The alert noted that "Morin has a criminal background, and has been observed on campus on at least one other occasion acting suspiciously."

On September 10, Security "got a complaint from some female students that some people were sort of harassing them," Assistant Director of Security Louann Dustin-Hunter said. According to Lt. Kevin Schofield of the Brunswick Police Department, Morin was making

comments that were "sexually explicit."

Security went and "checked them out and this person, Tyler Morin, was there. He was not a student, but was a guest of an employee [of the College]," Dustin-Hunter said. At this point the responding security officers asked him to leave Bowdoin and only came back if a student invited him.

"Since that time," as a result of research carried out by Mike Brown, Assistant Director of Security, "we found out that he has an extensive criminal record in his past," Dustin-Hunter said. In particular, "in burglary, thefts, and drug activity."

Dustin-Hunter declined to cite any specific cases, dates, or places. The Brunswick Police Department's in-house system, which "is not inclu-

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## Rusesabagina pleads for action



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Paul Rusesabagina, the real-life hero of *Hotel Rwanda*, drew a full crowd to last Friday's Common Hour lecture. See story, page 3.

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in 14 years:  
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# Protesters flock to D.C. to oppose the Iraq war



Courtesy of Miranda Yaver

Twenty-one students made up Bowdoin's contingent at the peace protest.

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Twenty-one Bowdoin students joined an estimated 150,000 to 300,000 protesters in a march on Washington D.C. to protest the Iraq war last Saturday.

The Bowdoin students' trip to the protest was organized by Bowdoin Students for Peace and the Midcoast Maine Peace and Justice Group. Accompanying students to the protest were many Maine residents.

Experiences of Bowdoin students who attended the protest were generally positive.

"Although I do not agree with everything that was being protested, I enjoyed witnessing and participating in displays of dissent against an administration that has certainly made errors," said Lincoln Pac '08. "The actions of the protesters would not be tolerated in many countries, and the fact that they can occur nearly unopposed in the U.S. was powerful for me to observe."

Bowdoin's participation in the event was co-organized by sophomores Sara Schlotterbeck and Merry Segal.

"It was amazing for us to be a part of something so big, and we are all thrilled to have had the opportunity to go," said Schlotterbeck.

Reasons for attending the protest varied among Bowdoin students, but they were all united by the goal of ending the war in Iraq.

"The official purpose of the protest was to end the war in Iraq and there is a diversity of opinions even in our group as to how that should be done," Schlotterbeck said. "The one thing that we can all agree on is that the United States is on a disastrous path and needs to change its course and start working for peace for the people of Iraq. This is all we were asking."

The broad range of opinions and reasons for wanting the war to end was evident by the variety of groups involved in the protest, according to Schlotterbeck. Seasoned groups like Veterans for Peace marched alongside groups like the National Organization for Women.

According to the United for Peace web site (<http://www.unitedforpeace.org>), the aim of the protest was to "end the war in Iraq" and to "bring the troops home now." Other stated goals on the web site were to "leave no military bases behind, end the looting of Iraq, stop the torture, stop bankrupting our communities, [and to end] military recruitment in our schools."

Pac found the protest's location to be most appropriate.

"The Vietnam and World War II monuments moved me considerably given the reason for my D.C. visit. They represent the conflicts of our fathers and grandfathers, while the war in Iraq is being fought by the youth of my generation," he said. "I am glad I am at Bowdoin and not in Fallujah."

## Recruitment efforts draw students of color to Bowdoin

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attraction for black students. However, she also noted that as black students increase their presence on campus, the College should become more diverse.

"Black students are more apt to come to Bowdoin when there is already a community of black students in place."

Of the 478 students in the first-year class, 132 are students of color, with 57 Asian Americans, 37 Hispanics, 28 African Americans, and ten Native Americans. Though there are 28 black first years this year, in 1994, according to the Journal, there were only eight.

Jones, who graduated from Bowdoin five years ago, said of her school years, "At any time I felt like there were maybe 20 to 25 of us on campus."

She pointed to black alumni reaching out to prospective black students via telephone as another factor in Bowdoin's popularity among black students.

Both Jones and Steele noted Bowdoin's financial aid program as a reason for Bowdoin's popularity.

"We have wonderful financial aid," Steele said. "We've been very successful reaching students from different socio-economic backgrounds."

Jones noted that because Bowdoin pays for trip expenses for financially-challenged prospective students, less affluent students can afford to visit Bowdoin.

Tony Thrower '09 said that although he participated in the Bowdoin Experience, it wasn't Bowdoin's diversity that attracted him, but the admissions staff's attention to every one of its prospective students.

On his way to the Bowdoin Experience, Thrower encountered a flight delay in Atlanta. The admissions staff helped him get on a flight to New Hampshire, where he arrived at midnight. At 2:00 a.m., then Directors of Multicultural Recruitment Erby Mitchell and Fumio Sugihara personally

ly picked him up from Manchester, New Hampshire, and drove him to campus, arriving at 4:00 a.m.

"It really convinced me that Bowdoin cares about its individual students," Thrower said.

For a small-town Maine college, Bowdoin's diversity is sometimes unexpected, students say.

"There are actually more black freshmen that I would have expected for a school in Maine," said Damon Hall-Jones '09. "I have to say I was pleasantly surprised, but I still think there could be more diversity here on campus."

According to the Journal, the top five liberal arts colleges most successful in integrating African Americans were Amherst, Williams, Colgate, Wellesley, and Haverford. Middlebury, Bates, and Colby all finished behind Bowdoin, respectively at 20th, 21st, and 23rd out of 24. Amherst, Williams, and Wellesley did not submit black student yields to the Journal.

## COLLEGE BRIEFS

NEWS FROM COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AROUND THE NATION

### University of Michigan responds to racial attack

(U-WIRE) ANN ARBOR, Michigan—Mobilized by last week's racially motivated assault on two Asian students at the University of Michigan, the faculty of the Asian-Pacific Islander American Studies program have demanded that the administration take steps to eliminate similar crimes on campus.

The response came after a student urinated on two Asian students from a second-story balcony while insulting their Asian heritage.

In her eight years at the university, American culture professor Amy Stillman said there has never been a commission to study or assess the status of Asian-American students, faculty, or staff.

"It is a widely known fact that in the Fleming (Administration) Building, there is not a single professional administrator who is Asian," Stillman said. "The only Asians in Fleming are clerical staff."

During Wednesday's Asian American

Organizations (UAAO) meeting, about 50 or 60 students relayed their experience with racism on campus, said Christopher Ng, UAAO finance chair. Ng stressed that last week's crime was not unfamiliar to him or other UAAO members.

"There are times where I just walked out of class where people will say, 'Hey, go back to China,'" Ng said.

He added that a common concern of students at the meeting was also when people compliment them on their English, as if they are surprised that they are able to speak the language properly.

### UVA police intervene in religious demonstration

(U-WIRE) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Virginia—The Office of the Dean of Students called University of Virginia Police to intervene when passers-by complained of disruptive behavior from religious demonstrators on campus Monday morning.

The demonstrators, all members of the same family, held large canvas

posters bearing religious slogans such as, "Satan Rules! Turn to Jesus, not 'Church,'" handed out flyers, and shouted messages of a similar nature.

"You're cowards," demonstrator Elizabeth Woroniecki, 21, yelled at students. "This flood, do you think that's a coincidence? You're going to hell."

The Woronieckis demonstrated for several hours before University Police confronted them in response to the complaint made by Dean of Students Penny Ruse.

University officials reserve the right to regulate certain forms of demonstrations, University Police Sergeant Melissa Fielding said. Police intervene when someone is acting in a manner that is threatening, intimidating, obstructive or disruptive.

Students said they were frustrated with the Woronieckis' dismissive attitude.

"Part of me agrees with what they're saying," Alexandria Hawkins '07 said. "But that's not the way you approach people."

—Compiled by Anne Riley

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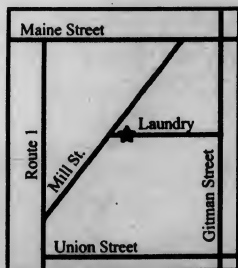
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## Morin issued trespass warning for past criminal history



Courtesy of Courtney Camps

Security confirmed that this photograph, taken by a student at Quinby's recent 80s party, is of Tyler Morin. He has since been issued a trespass warning.

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sive of the entire state," show that Morin was cited for operating a vehicle after suspension of his license and was

issued some tickets for traffic violations, according to Lt. Schofield.

In records from the Androscoggin Superior Court in Auburn obtained by the Orient, Morin was arrested on drug charges in March, 2005. On September 1, he pled guilty to one charge of "unlawful furnishing of scheduled drugs." Specifically, Morin pled guilty to "furnishing" cocaine.

As the Orient went to press, no other independently-verifiable information regarding Morin's alleged criminal activity had been found. On September 24, Assistant Director Mike Brown spotted Morin, who was sitting with his mother, at the Bowdoin-Middlebury football game. "Because we had found out about his criminal background, we decided that we just didn't want him here so we called Brunswick Police

and they issued him a trespass warning at that time," said Dustin-Hunter.

Although Morin "actually didn't commit a criminal act on campus," the "extent of his criminal history" warranted the issuance of a trespass warning, Dustin-Hunter said.

In an email, Dustin-Hunter added that she had "learned that Mr. Morin had been identified as the person reportedly acting suspiciously in a college dorm, which resulted in some female students calling security in early September. He was also identified as attempting to enter two College house social events and found with alcohol on his person (the weekend of September 16). He is underage."

One of those social events was Quinby's 1980s-themed party on September 17 where Morin was spotted dancing. "His dancing was spectacular and I was envious," Andrew Simenberg '08, the DJ at Quinby's party, said in a telephone interview with the Orient.

"After the keys [at Quinby] were kicked, there was a late-night dance party that continued on the first floor of Quinby," Courtney Camps '08 said. "There was this guy who was doing the Crip Walk. He was such a fantastic dancer that we all rallied around him and I took a picture," Camps said.

## Social houses rush to utilize grant money

by Nat Herz  
CONTRIBUTOR

Bowdoin received a grant from the Mellon Foundation six years ago to keep programming strong as the college began to phase out its fraternity system. The grant is used to fund activities that expand the College's programming and stimulate both intellectual and social life.

In the years following the receipt of the grant, the College has used it to fund a variety of activities through the College House System. Past grant recipients have used the funds to support a student-run "restaurant" that served students and professors a

gourmet meal in Ladd House, as well as trips to Boston to visit museums. The grant is currently sponsoring the tai-chi lessons in session.

In order to obtain money from the grant, students must submit a proposal to the Assistant Director of Residential Life, Julie Barnes. So far, Barnes has been impressed with the variety of proposals and encourages Bowdoin students to apply to use the grant in fresh and innovative ways.

"The sky's the limit," Barnes said. Many students agree that the Mellon grant has expanded the opportunities available to them.

"It's a phenomenal resource, one that encourages us to expand beyond just holding social events," said Vice President of Quinby House Tobias Crawford '07. "It raises the intellectual vitality of the house system, providing funding for academic discussions which might not come up in the classroom."

Crawford also expressed his approval of the allotment of the grant money. "Res life does an excellent job

of administering the grant," he said.

Plans for using the grant this year are already in the works. MacMillan house is using the Mellon grant to convert its library into a student art gallery to house overflow pieces from the VAC, and has organized a trip to a Portland art museum with Chair of the Art Department Mark Wethli. MacMillan has also arranged an alumni dinner, funded by the grant to discuss the differences between the House when it was a fraternity (Theta Delta Chi), and its current incarnation as a social house.

Quinby hopes to use the grant to purchase refreshments for lectures with Mellon money, and also to apply for money to bring in an outside speaker.

The Mellon grant was given in two installments, each for three years. This is the last year that the money from the second installment can be used without the College having to apply for additional time to use the money.

Barnes is enthusiastic about this year's prospects for the grant and is not concerned about using the entirety of the grant in the allotted time. She made it clear that she was open to all varieties of proposals, and indicated that she is receiving three to four a week. Members of the social houses appear excited as well.

"I know the students [in MacMillan] are really excited to bring some culture into the house, as well as some new people and a fresh reputation for the house and the college house system in general," MacMillan House President Zach Roberts '08 said. "College houses tend to be seen as purely social organizations, and this doesn't have to be the case."

## Rwandan speaker recounts horrors of genocide in Common Hour lecture

by Daniel Hackett  
ORIENT STAFF

More than 600 students, staff, and Bowdoin community members crammed into Pickard Theater last Friday to hear Rwandan hero Paul Rusesabagina recount his experiences of the Rwandan genocide, a story popularized by the 2004 Academy Award winning film, *Hotel Rwanda*.

With a deep, booming voice, Rusesabagina greeted his audience and promised to reveal "the real life behind the movie on the screen."

Rusesabagina emphasized that as manager of a four-star hotel in Kigali, Rwanda, he was put in a unique position to save some 1,200 lives by bartering, negotiating, and blackmailing military and government officials.

He recounted in vivid detail his having to plead with Hutu militia to spare the lives of Tutsi neighbors who had flocked to his house shortly after the genocide began. "I was told, on the streets of Kigali, to take this gun and kill the 'cockroaches,'" he said.

"For five minutes I was speechless," Rusesabagina said. "Then I told them that I didn't know how to use this gun, but even if I did I wouldn't kill these people."

Rusesabagina pled with the militia, showing them the faces of the children, women, and old men. "These are not your enemies," he told them.

He reiterated the absurdity of the massacre, saying, "Tutsis and Hutus, what is the difference? They share the same language, the same culture, territory, the same marriages."

Rusesabagina then recalled surveying the aftermath of the genocide from his car as he maneuvered through dead bodies while searching for his family.

"The whole country was smelling of dead bodies, flies. I went to see family. My mother-in-law was dead, her six children killed," Rusesabagina said.

"We sat down in the ruins and we cried. The trip opened my eyes, it was very influential," Rusesabagina said, adding, "Since then I've decid-

ed never to fight with a gun but with my mouth."

Disheartened by the lack of support from the international community both during and after the Rwandan genocide, Rusesabagina has dedicated himself to increasing awareness of past and current genocides and promoting an international discourse.

"The most abusive words that I hear are 'never again,'" Rusesabagina said, citing the current humanitarian crises in Darfur, Sudan, and in the Congo. "Have we learned from history? I do not know."

Rusesabagina asked students to support humanitarian efforts in Rwanda by giving to the *Hotel Rwanda* Rusesabagina Foundation, which provides support, care, and assistance to children orphaned by, and women abused during, the genocide in Rwanda, according to the foundation's web site.

He also urged students to write their local political representatives to denounce the crises in Darfur and the Congo.

"Africa needs you," said Rusesabagina, "to break out a dialogue. I'm telling you this because you in the West are lucky, you vote for your own leaders."

Senior Mindy Chism, who saw *Hotel Rwanda* last summer, felt that Rusesabagina's personal account was even more provocative and emotional than the film. "To have him come out and explain that certain parts of the movie were downplayed...and were actually even more intense and frightening in real life blew me away," she said.

Lindsay Buntman '06 echoed Chism's sentiment, but wished "that he address the genocide more analytically instead of reiterating what happened in the film."

"The lecture leaves you feeling inadequate," Buntman said, "and it was to a certain extent limiting to hear that all we could really do was give money."

Visiting Assistant Professor Shelly Deane, who teaches two courses which examine ethnic conflict and

genocide this fall, noted the importance of Rusesabagina's personal account.

"That some of the students felt disappointed by Mr. Rusesabagina's suggestion to give money and write to politicians is as much a consequence of the feeling of disempowerment experienced after hearing about the needless deaths of large numbers of innocent people," Deane said.

"If everyone attending Mr. Rusesabagina's lecture has written to their political representative to voice their concerns over the current deaths in Darfur then this is the first incremental step in creating and maintaining awareness of the injustice Mr. Rusesabagina mentioned," she said.

## Democrats anticipate convention

Maine college Dems  
anxiously await the  
arrivals of Governor  
Baldacci and political  
satirist Al Franken

by Chris Marotta  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin College Democrats are working to bring together the second Maine College Democrats Convention to be held at Bowdoin College this Friday and Saturday. One hundred and fifty delegates will be attending the convention, coming from 19 different colleges. Even more are expected to attend the main attraction, Al Franken.

"I mean, it's Al Franken," said Bowdoin Democrats Co-President Frank Chi '07.

Though perhaps the most widely known, Al Franken is not the only notable speaker scheduled this weekend. On Friday, Pat Colwell, Chair of the Maine Democratic Party, as well as Glen Cummings and other local legislators, are scheduled to speak about the "Maine Won't Discriminate" campaign.

"I think it's really important for people to realize what is at stake," said Chi.

Maine College Democrats President Alex Cornell du Houx '06 agreed. "We have 74,000 possible voters throughout the Maine College Democrats' influence. If we had some of those people get out and vote on this discrimination issue, we could make a real difference," he said.

Mike Michaud, congressman for the second congressional district in Maine, is talking on Saturday at 1:00 p.m. about youth labor rights activism. Following Michaud's speech, Congressman Tom Allen '67 will talk about youth participation in politics. At 8:00 p.m., Governor Baldacci and Al Franken are giving their keynote addresses. They plan to talk about youth involvement in politics, as well as the discrimination issue in Maine.

The democratic convention is also having workshops for delegates, both in media training and technological training. All delegates receive credentials, an official packet, the democratic campus plan, and the opportunity to attend every

event and the training sessions.

"Conventions can't always be about speakers—people have to also get something out of it," Chi said. "Some schools don't even have any technical programs. We are giving them a chance to learn some of these skills," he said.

After holding the inaugural Maine College Democrats Convention last fall, the Bowdoin Democrats are determined to make the second convention even better.

"Last year, we were a scrappy bunch," said Chi. "We were not a force, now we are starting to organize ourselves, delegate responsibilities."

Although the delegate sign-up is over, all are welcome to attend Governor Baldacci and Al Franken's speeches on Saturday.

Cornell du Houx hopes for a large turnout despite there not being an election this fall. "This is an off year, with no elections. It's important that we go out there and engage," he said.

On the convention, the Bowdoin Republicans President Alex Linhart '06 said, "We have never protested the convention in the past, and don't plan on doing so."

## Department of Government and Legal Studies feels strain with five full-time professors on leave

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With the unusually large percentage of full-time professors on leave in the government department, the overcrowding situation is even more difficult. In reference to the

number of government professors on leave, Franco noted, "That is more than usual...that's a bit high."

There are 11 full-time government professors, and in a typical year, two or three professors take

leave. "Five is excessive, but two or three is normal," Franco said.

Franco also noted that the modification of the maximum cap-size from 50 students to 35 students in one class has also affected the overflow in government courses.

"We are feeling a bit of pressure...the switch from 50 to 35 students max has certainly exacerbated the process," he said.

He notes that government has always been a popular major at Bowdoin and that this issue of overcrowding has "not seemed to have dampened the demand."

Some students feel that the strain in the department is affecting their education. Elissa Gervais '09 was upset that she did not get into Introduction to International Relations.

"I really wanted that class," said Gervais. "I even emailed the professor to get onto the waiting list."

This experience has made Gervais think more about her future studies at Bowdoin. "It makes you consider another major more seriously because you don't know if you can get into the government classes," she said.

Ashley Fischer '09 was not able to get any government first-year seminars. "I signed up for most of them, but didn't get into any," Fischer said.

"I really want to go into international relations and was hoping to take a government class my fresh-

man year," she said.

Franco, however, has not heard too many criticisms. "I haven't gotten a lot of direct complaints," he said. "Maybe a little during registration."

Franco noted that he works mostly with juniors and seniors and assumes that the frustration is most often seen in first-year and sophomore students.

The department does realize that students are disappointed and that it would be helpful to have more professors in the department, according to Franco. "We feel like we have a need and would like to see that need addressed," Franco said.

The department is submitting a proposal to hire one or two more full-time professors. In addition, Franco stated, "We are talking to the dean about becoming a leave-proof department." Leave-proofing would prohibit full-time professors from going on leave for a semester or more, eliminating the need for temporary professors.

"This has not weakened the department," Franco stated. "We're in a time of transition. We're hoping to get more [professors] but we've still got a good core."

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## College not rushing new intellectual property plan

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While not explicitly alleging that a breach of computer network security occurred, Phillips questioned McEwen at the April faculty meeting about file security shortly after making his allegation of impropriety.

"Can you address what staff are permitted to do with our grants on file, since many might have access to the server where faculty store their work?" Phillips asked.

Phillips did not return repeated phone calls from the Orient seeking comment for this article.

Mills said that Dean of Academic Affairs Craig McEwen is working with counsel to finish the formulation of a new intellectual property policy—an area of policy all involved admit is currently incomplete and out-of-date.

In order to allow the faculty time to review the policy, Mills said, the

Board of Trustees would not take up the issue during their upcoming October meeting. "There's no point in rushing this to the trustees," he said.

*"I think this is an issue that our society has failed to adequately address."*

Bruce Kohorn

Professor of Biology and Biochemistry

Professor of History Patrick Rael agreed that a new policy is necessary to encourage innovation among faculty. He said a draft of the policy currently being circulated is a "major step in the right direction."

"When openly and thoroughly vetted by all involved, the new policy

could serve us well by bringing clarity to conflicts such as the one referenced in last week's Orient," Rael said. "But we must be very thoughtful about how we construct such a document."

Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Scott MacEachern and Professor of Biology and Biochemistry Bruce Kohorn both agreed that the College needs to update its policy.

"Concerns about privacy on the internet and personal computers are not confined to our small college, and I think this is an issue that our society has failed to adequately address," Kohorn said.

Said MacEachern, "I'll look forward to discussion of the updated policies in the faculty meetings, and anywhere else that such discussion happens."

*Evan S. Kohn contributed to this article.*

## BSG sets high expectations this year

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ment body, and much of a class officer's work revolves around programming, he said.

"To do that creatively has been an awesome challenge for the past few years," he said. McKesson was class president during his first and second years at Bowdoin.

According to Vice President for BSG Affairs Dustin Brooks '08, the committee's ruling last week was "drawn from a collection of sources." He referred to rules that declare that candidates are not to draw support from College organizations, and that candidates cannot use College resources. In this interpretation, McKesson's presidency could create the implication of support by BSG, and he could also be seen as a college resource. In addition, Brooks said there was a conflict of interest between McKesson's role on the officer team and his role as a candidate.

The complaint against McKesson was made by Derrick Wong '07, who is a candidate for class treasurer. Wong also filed a complaint against Liz Laurits '07, alleging that McKesson's endorsement of Laurits was improper. Laurits is Wong's opponent for the treasurer position.

The re-election, which will be held on October 5 and 6, will give voters a chance to cast ballots for the Class of 2007 treasurer and president positions. Laurits and Wong will reappear on the ballot, along with any new candidates who submit candidacy petitions.

McKesson, who is still president of the student body, opened the organization's first meeting on Tuesday. There was brief discussion about the disqualification, but most of the business related to plans for the upcoming year.

Students can expect to see outdoor lunches at Thorne Dining Hall, improvements to the BSG web site and extended gym hours. Vice President of Facilities Will Donahoe '08 described

the extended gym hours as "one of the more popular services" provided by BSG.

Last year, BSG provided funding to extend gym hours until midnight on Sunday through Thursday. Currently, the Watson Fitness Center closes at 10:00 p.m.

Donahoe told the Orient that it appears the Department of Athletics will foot the bill for extended hours this year.

In other business, Vice President of Student Affairs Carolyn Chu '07 hopes to launch "Name Tag Day." BSG would provide name tags to every student and request that they wear the stickers around campus. The activity would encourage students to talk to people they see regularly but do not know.

Student government can also expect to see changes. Brooks said the body hopes to implement a campus leadership program and partner with other New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) schools for a student government association. McKesson said he should be participating in a conference call with other student body presidents within the next month in order to discuss the potential organization.

By a vote of 25 to one, BSG also passed a document known as "The Compact for Student Government," a platform that McKesson campaigned on in the spring. The plan lists a variety of goals for the year.

At its next meeting, BSG will begin to take up constitutional amendments. It will also discuss creating a resolution regarding the Maine referendum question that would overturn the state's sexual orientation anti-discrimination law.

In addition, McKesson said President Barry Mills will attend that meeting to discuss the status of the search for a new Dean of Academic Affairs. Craig McEwen will step down from that position at the end of this year.



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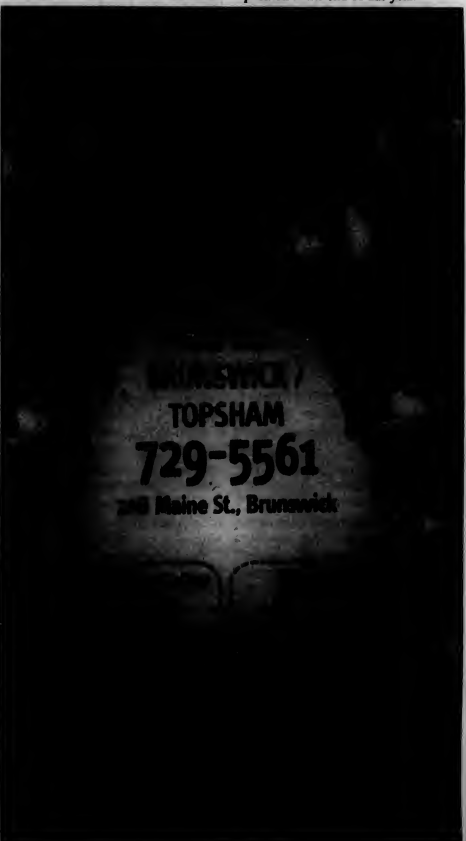
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# Dr. Jeff on HPV

Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: I'm dating a girl who was recently treated for HPV. Is there any way to tell whether or not I have it, or if I am a carrier if I have never had any symptoms? Does HPV ever go away, and is it always transmittable?  
-Anonymous



Dear Anonymous: Great questions! HPV is indeed complex but important to understand.

Infection with HPV (Human papillomavirus) causes all warts, including genital warts. HPV is spread, almost always, through physical contact. Its incubation period is variable, ranging from a few weeks to many months and even years. None of the types of HPV which cause common warts on hands and feet can be spread to the genitals. Like the herpes virus, HPV does not survive long on inanimate objects and so cannot be contracted, for instance, from toilet seats.

Genital HPV infections are among the most common sexually transmitted infections (STIs) worldwide, with the highest rate of infection found in women under the age of 25. In this country, it is estimated that 75 percent of sexually-active people contract HPV at one time or another and that at any given point in time, 20 million Americans have genital HPV infections that can be transmitted to others. Every year, over 5.5 million people become infected. These are huge numbers! Probably only one percent of those infected have visible warts. An additional four percent may be diagnosed by cellular changes found on screening Pap tests.

Most fortunately, and very importantly, the very great majority of HPV infections are overcome by our immune systems and resolve without further complications.

Over 100 types of HPV have been identified, about 30 of which cause infection of genital mucosal sites. Viral DNA is incorporated into infected cells and often remains unnoticed by the host's immune system. Two of these types cause very noticeable, though painless, "cauliflower-like" growths. They are usually treated topically, with medications or cryotherapy (freezing), with the aim of removing the lesions and also stimulating an immune response to the infection.

Two other types of HPV, numbers 16 and 18, cause the cellular changes that can be pre-cancerous. They are found in over 99 percent of women with invasive cervical cancer. HPV 16 and 18 sometimes cause small, flat growths to appear, which look very much like normal "skin bumps." These can also be treated with creams or freezing. More often, however, these subtypes cause no visible lesions at all.

HPV 16 and 18 are also strongly associated with anal and rectal cancers, and that's why regular screening anal pap tests are recommended for men and women who have unprotected anal sex.

There are no blood tests to detect HPV infection. Pap tests are the most effective way to screen women for cervical HPV.

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# Features

## WHAT LIES BENEATH:

### Bowdoin's "secret" tunnels

by Joy Geertz  
CONTRIBUTOR

Asked about the tunnel system snaking under the College, students respond in a variety of ways, ranging from a bedazzled face saying they've never heard of the tunnels to sharing urban legends they've heard about the tunnel to proudly stating that they've been inside.

"Longfellow's ghost forbids trespassing unless poetic verse is uttered," one junior replied when asked about the tunnels.

A sophomore suggested that the tunnels would be a good place to hold meetings for secret societies.

Freshman Chris Carlin shared the sentiments of many when asked about the tunnels.

"Tunnel system?" he asked quizzically. "I didn't realize that there was an underground tunnel system. What was it used for?"

It is rumored that during the winter, the snow is less deep above the tunnels and that the grass grows first and greenest above them in the spring.

Louis C. Hatch writes in *Bowdoin College: 1794-1927*, "Bowdoin has and probably will have for many years, a memorial of its strange unknown." The tunnels are certainly an example of that historical mystery.

The tunnels were built sometime around the beginning of the 20th century. Heating plant records indicate that the tunnels were built in 1914, but a 1901 copy of the *Orient* says that, "Steam heating apparatus has been installed in all the halls, and last winter the rooms were warm."

According to Hatch's book, there was a problem with fires in the dorms in the 1800s that provoked interest in steam heating. As boiler operator Chuck Blier points out, there are eight chimneys on the top of each of the older dormitories.

During the 19th century, each set of bedrooms had a common room with a fireplace. These fireplaces kept the dorm warm but were a fire hazard that ultimately cost the College a lot of money. As a result, there was a push to build a heating plant with a tunnel-based distribution system.

In President William DeWitt Hyde's "Report of the President of Bowdoin College For the Academic

Year 1895-96," he gave his reasoning for getting a central steam heating system:

"Economy, security, and efficiency all combine to demand the central heating station as the next stage of

our material development."

Hyde's plan for the steam pipes would have connected all of Bowdoin's buildings at the time in one path, kept the old gymnasium, and included a separate power house.

Hyde got his central steam heating system, but the plan was modified a bit. The old gymnasium was torn down, and the heating plant stands where the gym used to be. One tunnel runs from the heating plant to Maine Hall, behind Winthrop Hall, to Massachusetts Hall, in front of Memorial Hall, and about half way to the Searles Science Building.

The other tunnel system begins by Moulton Union and runs between Appleton and Hyde Halls, in front of Hubbard, and turns at about a 45 degree angle toward the Walker Art Building. These tunnels are accessible through the manholes and the basements of Maine and Massachusetts Halls.

Pipes lining the tunnel system make it uncomfortable to enter. One member of the Class of 2007 said that he entered the tunnel and guessed that it was about 120 degrees inside. Another stated, "It's really,

really hot down there. I wear glasses and when I climbed down the ladder my specs immediately fogged up."

On that note, another student suggests that these temperatures indicate danger within the tunnel.

"I've heard they're actually heating pipes that run back and forth across the quad and are large enough to walk through, but if you walk through at the wrong time, or get stuck, you'll get incinerated."

Two students who claim to have entered the tunnels said that the tubes were pretty dangerous.

One thought that the tunnels might contain asbestos. A junior explains, "I didn't stay down there for that long—20 minutes tops—because I didn't know if any gas or whatever was leaking from the pipes."

Students who have entered the system tell the *Orient* that the tunnels are about five feet tall and three feet wide. They have lights connected to the ceiling every few feet.

As far as the looks of the tunnels, students comments were varied. One sophomore who has been inside the tunnels explains that the most surprising aspect of the underground system is that the tunnels are "pretty roomy."

He described the tunnel as "very inviting" and says the lights were on when he entered.

Another explains, "There are a lot of pipes of all different sizes with a lot of colored valves."

A junior responded to queries about the tunnel system with an interesting description via email:

"Steam tunnels. Entrances via basements of freshman dorms (except Moore). Entrances via manholes. Basement of Mass Hall. Long dark, corridors, dusty, and dank. Longfellow's ghost forbids tres-

passing unless poetic verse is uttered. All this came to me in a dream..."

Amidst the rumors, it's no wonder that many Bowdoin students are confused as to if the tunnels are real or just a legend.

As senior Sarah Oberg explains, "I've heard rumors, but I've never heard any details or seen any evidence to support them."

Director of Facilities Operation and Maintenance Ted Stam verifies their existence.

"There is a pretty lengthy network of tunnels that connect buildings and the heating plant," he said.

Stam went on to explain that the tunnels are used to transport mainly steam, telecommunications, and electricity, but are also sometimes used for compressed air and domestic water.

He refutes rumors of endangerment of incineration, as he points out that the steam is not even on right now. But even when it goes on, although the tunnels can get "real, real hot when you go down in there...you're not going to get incinerated."

This reporter was able to enter one of the tunnels to investigate. Upon entering the system, a variety of pipes were visible.

The tunnels are well lit, about five feet, six inches tall, and three to four feet wide.

Climbing into the tunnels this time of year was fine, but is inadvisable, especially during winter months when the heating system is turned on. The pipes get extremely hot and are positioned so that a person could easily fall onto them, burning themselves.

According to Blier, the tunnels make fixing the pipes easier, but were expensive and as the college campus grew, were no longer practical to build.

So the tunnels do exist. And nothing torturous happens to those who enter—even without "poetic verse."

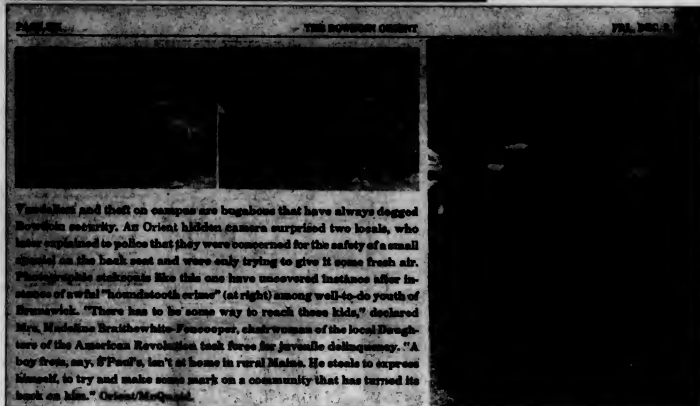
One tunnel runs from the heating plant to Maine Hall, behind Winthrop Hall, to Massachusetts Hall...to about halfway to Searles...

# A Look Back

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Years Ago



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## Dr. Benson explains a very common STI: HPV

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If evidence of HPV infection is found, then tests to sub-type the HPV can be undertaken. Male partners of women and men who have been diagnosed with HPV might consider specialized testing called androscopy (examination under magnification after applying tissue stain).

Cancer of the cervix and rectum are among the more treatable and preventable cancers. Early on, microinvasive carcinoma of the cervix and anus are nearly always curable surgically. More importantly, both have a prolonged pre-clinical phase permitting early detection and treatment. All too many women newly

diagnosed with invasive cervical cancer have never had a Pap smear, and many others have not had one in the previous five years. Cervical cancer may indeed be an HPV-related "STD," as the OB-GYN's like to say, but, more importantly, it is a disease of medical neglect. The same is the case for anal cancer.

Because HPV can infect genital areas not covered by condoms, condoms do not provide complete protection against the spread of HPV. The protection they do provide, however, is especially important because it does stop the spread of cervical, anal, and other internal infections. Condoms, of course, also offer very effective protection against the

spread of HIV, chlamydia, and other STIs, and offer reasonably effective protection (about 85 percent) against unwanted pregnancies as well.

There are two HPV vaccines being studied. One should protect against HPV infection, and the other should cure it. They are expected to be released within the next year or two, and are thought to be highly effective. Clearly, they will have a big impact on this disease!

Until then, though: come on in to the Health Center and get your Paps (cervical and anal), and always remember to use those condoms! Always!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center

## BOC rides raw rapids

by Martina Welke  
CONTRIBUTOR

At 6:00 a.m. on Saturday morning there are only two types of people wandering around Bowdoin's campus: those shuffling toward their rooms as quickly as possible, performing a covert walk-of-shame, and those carrying a paddle and wetsuit eagerly migrating towards the Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center.

Last Saturday, I was among the latter group. Along with 22 other ultra-skilled paddlers, I headed to New Hampshire for two days of whitewater canoeing and kayaking. Well, at least a few people were ultra-skilled. The rest of us were beginners who had just completed a two-week class that consisted of multiple pool sessions. But on Saturday, it was time for the real thing.

We arrived at the Errol River with just enough time to complete one "run" before lunch. Food is always a top concern for me on Bowdoin Outing Club (BOC) trips, so I had to make sure that all the plans were in order for a proper meal before I could concentrate on anything else. After being reassured that a shuttle system had been arranged to bring food to our next campsite, I shifted my focus to the river. It didn't seem so bad: wide, fairly smooth water, and surprisingly warm.

Piece of cake.

The group congregated briefly on land to exchange introductions and hear a safety talk. A noticeable rift developed between the canoeists and kayakers; like the Sharks and the Jets of West Side Story, we just didn't quite understand each other's worlds. Luckily, a game of kickball (in which the canoeists proved victorious) and an intense round of "chubby bunny" later that evening dispelled all tension.

After boarding my canoe with my paddling partner, Peter Beebe '06, and practicing our newly-mastered strokes one last time, we were ready for the rapids.

We caravaned down river to catch up with the kayakers and test our ferrying skills. Then things got exciting.

The boat gained speed with the quickening current. I remained calm as we coasted along and tried to remember all the lessons we learned about balance, poise, and strength back in the pool. I thought I maintained my cool pretty well.

Peter later informed me I was screaming the whole time. Inside I was cool though, which is all that matters.

I was in the bow, scouting for obstacles and shouting back to Peter about what I saw. Apparently, I learned that just yelling "ROCK!" is not quite descriptive enough. We smacked right into the gargantuan piece of granite, spun in a graceful circle and sped onward.

Water from the raging waves spilled into the boat and occasionally blurred my vision, yet Peter and I persevered, earnestly plunging our paddles into the fierce river with hopes of deliverance.

Finally, we reached the eddy where our instructors awaited. As we proudly slid in, I made sure to lean with the boat, to become one with the boat.

Unfortunately, in my triumph I leaned a little too far and capsized the canoe in the calm pool.

As I emerged to the sound of laughter instead of the applause I was expecting, I had to smile at the irony of the situation: we made it through the treacherous rapids with style and flair only to be reminded of the river's ultimate power once we had reached safety.

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## Lady Rose finds its musical voice



Courtesy of Lady Rose

With (left to right) Ian Haight '08 on bass, erstwhile member Eric Volpe '08 on rhythm guitar, Mayu Kennedy '06 on lead vocals, Tim Cashman '07 on drums, and Jason Laurita '07 on lead guitar, Lady Rose played the Pub on several occasions last year.

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

The fact that there are squash courts in Smith Union is relatively esoteric; that among these squash courts lies a hidden haven for Bowdoin musicians is practically unknown.

Down the tiled, fluorescent hallway of the second floor of the Union, in a room numbered "11" in black, stenciled digits, the College's resident rockers find refuge.

This cluttered little lair is like a second home to Mayu Kennedy '06, Tim Cashman '07, Jason Laurita '07 and Ian Haight '08, the four members of the band Lady Rose. With room 11 reserved four times each week, these musicians spend more time here than they do in any of their classes.

Lady Rose represents the fusion of a potpourri of styles and influences. Kennedy, the lead singer, draws from

her affinity to the grunge rock of Pearl Jam and Nirvana. Laurita, the lead guitarist, self-identifies as a classic rock aficionado, with an especial taste for 80s hair rock. Haight, on the other hand, is described by his band mates as a punk rocker to the core. These musicians are united by two primary commonalities: a love of "straight rock," and a mutual distaste for jam bands.

The room is littered with wires, pedals, amplifiers, drum sets, and various other musical accessories. This converted squash court is by no means roomy, and much of floor space that is not covered with equipment is occupied by three large music lockers on the right wall. The lockers appear plain, with the exception of the one nearest to the door—it is adorned with a sketch of five figures drawn in flowing black pen. The

drawing is labeled: "The Ones with the Girl."

This portrait is slightly out of date. The band no longer goes by "The Ones with the Girl." The decision that the length of its name was too cumbersome prompted the switch to the less literal "Lady Rose" last spring.

Secondly, Eric Volpe '08, depicted in the portrait as "the One on Guitar," resigned from the band last week.

Recognizing that a rhythm guitar is essential the type of sound they want to achieve, Lady Rose has since posted classifieds all over campus, and will be holding auditions for replacement guitarists soon.

"This year, we know each other's styles, we know the songs...we're much tighter."

Jason Laurita  
Lead Guitarist, Lady Rose

chord." Laurita added that a rhythm guitar line allows him more freedom to do "acrobatics."

But the members of Lady Rose, especially Kennedy, are no strangers to the evolution of a rock band. Kennedy joined a group called The Stranger during her sophomore year. It was in that group that she met Cashman, then a freshman, who played the drums. Dysfunction caused The Stranger to disband after a short time, but Kennedy and Cashman remained together, and soon went in search of new musicians to complete their band. They held auditions at the beginning of last year, eventually ending up with Laurita, Haight, and Volpe, and donning the name "The Ones with the Girl."

"[Being in] the band really helped me establish myself at Bowdoin,"

said Haight, Lady Rose's bassist. "As a lonely incoming freshman, it really gave me something to get involved in."

The band's latest permutation found its footing last fall, performing a short set at Quincy house's Tsunami Relief benefit. But when they began playing at Jack McGee's Pub that everything locked into place.

If room 11 is the band's first home, the Pub is certainly its second. After its initial Quinby appearance, Pub Night was Lady Rose's venue of

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## Corpse Bride divorces Burton from mystique

by Gabe Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

We all remember the zany warmth of *A Nightmare Before Christmas*, and attribute its genius to the trademark vision of Tim Burton. I myself regarded *Nightmare* as Burton's greatest film, and the most potent celluloid imprint of his psyche.

In fact, *Nightmare*

was based on a poem Burton wrote; the film itself was directed by Henry Selick. While I have no doubts of Burton's proximity to that project, this clarification does make it easier to understand why *Corpse Bride* seems

to capture Burton in a more pure (and, unfortunately, exhausted) form.

*Corpse Bride* is set in a brooding British town with inhabitants that derive a sense of pride from the dreary symmetry of their lives. Some scowl like gargoyles, others lurch down side streets, and all seem too smug to care that the sun never shines on their twisted roofs.

The exception to the rule is a young scarecrow of a man, Victor Van Dort (played by Johnny Depp), who prefers to perch on his balcony and enjoy the company and color of wandering butterflies. Like the best of Burton's protagonists, he is meek only to the extent that his timidity underscores the hostility of the world around him.

When Victor must face the reality

of his upcoming arranged marriage (and inadvertently give his hand to a decaying bride), it becomes clear that despite his endearing cowardice, he is a young man of sound and daring convictions. Such is the movement of a token Burton movie: the slow unearthing of beauty and truth from beneath the darkest of circumstances.

*Corpse Bride* certainly looks gorgeous. The animation alternately glides and gallops with a dark elegance that *Nightmare Before Christmas* could not have anticipated. But at the same time, it is also very quaint—both in story and length—with thematic pivots a tad

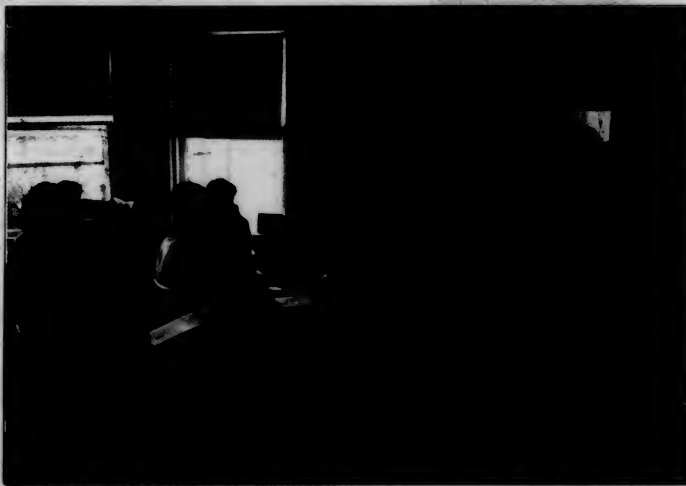
too curt for emotional currency. Unlike *Nightmare*, which felt not only innovative but also truly alive, *Corpse Bride* plays like a fairy tale breathing borrowed whimsy. Greatly missed is the wit, energy, and subversive simplicity of its predecessor.

Granted, the two are different films, so it may appear unfair to make such comparisons. But because *Corpse Bride* clearly "claws" at *Nightmare*'s hilarious use of the grotesque without ever grasping it, such a comparison becomes a duty rather than a potshot.

So, as Victor's dilemma takes flight, the movie begins to decompose. Through its beautifully animated skin, we see the stark skeleton of Tim Burton himself falling back on

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## Autumn brings Loose Leaves to Baxter



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli was one of the many students, faculty, and staff who read poetry and prose at Baxter House's first Loose Leaves event last Tuesday. The house plans to hold readings every month for the remainder of the year. The events are open to anyone who wants to read or listen.



# Vendetta's Red Death alive with passion

by Lauren Napier  
CONTRIBUTOR

Hailing from Seattle, Vendetta Red is a band recognized for its lyrically driven rock with metal and screamo undertones. It is seemingly the undercredited saviors of the mainstream rock world. *Sisters of the Red Death*, the band's second album to be released on a major label, develops some of the more profound themes encountered on their first Epic Records release, *Between the Never and the Now*. The new album took two years to write, but the band simplified the tracking process and cut production time to two weeks.

The churning guitars remain a constant, but are intermingled with tales of banshees, dead brides, silhouettes, and perverted religion. This album is a bit more calculated, both rhythmically and vocally; the lyrics are graphic and allow listeners to create images in their minds of the story that the music is unfolding. This is most prominent in the song "Shiver": "With a gorgonesque stare, her scale covered hair's got a snake in every curl. With her forked tongue and her ash colored eyes..." The band has traded in extensive heart-wrenching screams for more intriguing, thought-provoking lyrics.

Religion continues to be a strongly represented concept in this album, as is evident in the album art. The record displays vocalist Zach Davidson's disgust for the corruption of churches and organized religion. The title of the album is named for the Brothers and Sisters of the Red Death, a cult formed in Japan in the 18th century and later adopted by disaffected Russians.

On the date of the cult's demise, the

Russian Red Death congregation killed themselves in what they saw as an act of purification before the apocalypse. Zach Davidson took this story and transformed it into music telling of suicide, betrayal, anger, hate—the same dark themes as from *Between the Never and the Now*, but more pronounced and formulated.

"Silhouette Serenade" titillates the listener's emotions. The strings add an emotional tone to the piece, and the melodic chorus makes it hard to resist singing along. "And I've been lonely like a silhouette, or a serenade / a heart attack, or a man betrayed / The arms of love are holding me like a silhouette, or a serenade."

The euphonic chorus is quite different from those of the previous album. One

might ignorantly attribute this stylistic difference to the band's shift from an independent to a major record label. It is refreshing, however, to know that Vendetta Red, trusting its faithful fan base, is willing to risk a change in sound and style. It is energizing to find a band that is in the industry for the music and the creative experience rather than fame and recognition.

Vendetta Red takes the emphasis of the rock genre away from style and outward facade and toward what is actually audible through the speakers. Some groups think that a shoddy performance will be overlooked if they are clad in stud belts and black t-shirts; but Vendetta Red refuses to betray the integrity of its art form. This band is dedicated to its music, a fact that *Sisters of the Red Death* demonstrates through and through. This album is nearly flawless and represents Vendetta Red's most honest and eerily emotional work.

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# It's the time of the seasonal ales

by Carter Thomas  
COLUMNIST

GEARY'S AUTUMN ALE—(\$7.49 for a six-pack, available at Dead River)

As the autumn weather shuffles in, beer drinkers everywhere eagerly await whatever fabulous seasonal brews this fall will bring. Luckily, Maine-based Geary's Brewing Company stepped up with its caramel-colored brown ale, the dark horse of all seasons: the Autumn Ale.

Classified as a brown ale, this beer incorporates smooth, malt flavorings, along with subtle, tender chocolate overtones. Probably the most unique component of this beer's texture is the toffee flavor, reminding people of fall's crisp breezes and beautiful colors. Adam Dann '06 said, "This beer tastes like what you would think a pile of leaves would taste like." His description is more or less astute. Unlike summer ales, this beer lends itself well to sweater weather and autumn barbecues. A great beer for the month of October, especially for people who don't like the sweet flavor of pumpkin ale. *My scores: Taste: 4.50, Parityability: 2.47, Cost/Benefit: 3.06.*

MILLER HIGH LIFE—(\$3.79 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford) Toasted by advertisers as the

"champagne of beers," High Life is known for its sweet flavor and classy reputation. Brewed in Wisconsin, this beer seems to have a devout following. Though it is an American Lager much like Budweiser, drinkers everywhere tend to play true to High Life once they become acquainted with it. When asked why he always goes back to the golden bubbly, Steve Thompson '08 said, "It just reminds me of a sick Skynyrd concert I went to once, and that's all right with me."

Many tasters describe High Life as having a corn-like flavor in both the body and aftertaste, accentuated by a sweetness that most other beers lack (hence the champagne nickname). Consequently, this champagne effect is articulated by the carbonation—I would say that it has about 10 to 15 percent more bubbles per beer, but that's just a ballpark figure.

The bottles of High Life are clear and can be spotted yards away because of their bright golden hue, while the cans have a darker, more saturated-yellow appearance. However, both of these containers deliver terrific products. I would tell anyone who enjoys a good lager to give High Life a try, especially if they enjoy sweeter beers. *My scores: Taste: 3, Parityability: 4.11, Cost/Benefit: 4.22.*

# Bridge from Bombay to Brunswick

by Lisa Bonjour and  
Victoria Tudor  
CONTRIBUTORS

Have you ever wanted to travel to the Taj Mahal, or at least get a taste of the delicious fare offered in India? Well, the Taj Mahal is a long way from Brunswick, but Bombay Mahal, located on Maine Street, offers locals a bite into delicious Indian cuisine overflowing with curries, spices, and herbs.

Bombay Mahal is similar to many other Indian restaurants. It is decorated with Indian paintings on the walls and intricately woven tapestries. Even the ceiling is embellished with fabric tiles.

The menu at Bombay Mahal is extensive, offering many different soups, appetizers, and a wide array of chicken, lamb, seafood, and vegetarian entrees. There are also a few combination platters available, perfect for the indecisive and those new to Indian food. On Saturdays and Sundays, the restaurant offers a buffet for \$8.85. Normal dinner prices are a bit high for most college students, but lunch at Bombay Mahal is quite affordable and a good idea for lazy weekend afternoons.

The *Dal Shorba* soup, a lentil and vegetable soup with curry, ginger, and garlic was good, but excessive garlic made it a bit overwhelming towards the last bites.

The *samosa* appetizer consists of two *samosas*. These triangular, deep-fried potato-and-pea dumplings are best enjoyed with their accompanying sauces: *tamarind*, a yogurt mixture, and spiced onions. The *samosas* were of average quality; the potatoes were shredded, rather than cut into the more traditional cubes.

The Chicken *Tikka Masala* was somewhat disappointing. Normally a favorite dish, the "spicy creamed tomato sauce" was chunky and bland, even though it was adver-



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Bombay Mahal not only boasts exotic menus, but the interior of the restaurant features colorful Indian decor, creating a lively aesthetic and enhancing the dining experience.

tised as having "medium" spiciness. Also, the *masala* was made with roasted chicken instead of the more standard *tandoori* chicken, which would have given the dish more flavor.

The Lamb *Shami Korma*, described in the menu as, "an exotic treat with cashews, almonds, and light cream," was just that. There was a good amount of lamb cooked and simmered to perfection in a

sauce with just the right amount of spices.

However, it was the *Malai Kofta*, a vegetarian dish, that was the definite highlight of the meal. Described as, "[a] true *Mughlai* delight—balls of freshly minced vegetables simmered in cardamom saffron, garlic, cashews and a light cream sauce," this entrée was sim-

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# DJs of the Week: Adam Paltrineri & Ted Power

*What is the best song ever made?*

AP: Sure, start with the easy one... "If We Can Land a Man on the Moon, Surely I Can Win Your Heart," by Behaah.

TP: Lola by the Kinks. But I don't like this question because as far as I'm concerned, there are no "best songs." Post-modernism, no more grand narratives, empty signifiers, that sort of thing.

*Who is the greatest living musician?*

AP:

David

Byrne of

Talking

Heads,

even

though

he lost

his mind

about 12

years

ago.

TP: Brian Wilson?

*What was the first album you ever bought?*

AP: *Off the Deep End*, by Wierd Al. That man is a genius.

TP: I saved up my weekly 50 cent allowance to buy a Crash Test Dummies cassette with that song "Mmm Mmm Mmm."

*What is the best concert you've ever seen live?*

AP: Quruli, "Dismemberment Plan, and John Vanderslice sharing a

stage in Providence was pretty incredible.

TP: The Arcade Fire. It was at the College of the Atlantic last year the day after Halloween. It was in a building that looked like a castle, and only 50 people were there, many of whom were in costumes (including the band).

*If you were dictator of a small country, what would be its national anthem?*

AP: "The Final Countdown," by Europe.

TP: "We Built This City," only change "city" to "nation-state."

*If you were on a stage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?*

AP: I would say nothing until someone yelled "Freebird!" Then I would drink an entire Beast Ice before reading "The Raven" in a really scary voice.

TP: I'd talk about computers and the world wide web.

Paltrineri and Power can be heard on "Clean Finnish Lines," 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Fridays afternoons on WBOR 91.1 FM.



Adam Paltrineri '07 and Ted Power '07

## Lady Rose looks to shift toward original sound, play more venues, make album

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choice for the remainder of the year. Naturally, playing into the early hours of Friday at Jack McGee's resulted in some memorable experiences for the band members.

"At our first [Pub] show, it was senior Pub Night and everyone was just smashed," recalled Laurita.

"That was the hardest we've ever played...I couldn't talk for like a week," added Kennedy. "That show gave me bronchitis."

At their second appearance at the Pub, Lady Rose was scheduled to

follow another group. While waiting for the opening band to finish up its set, the band members were approached by a drunken man who asked them if they were going on next.

"We said yes, and he proceeded to enter the pub and start yelling 'next band!'" said Haight. "We appreciated it."

The four current members of Lady Rose have played together for over a year now, and agree that their dynamic has matured significantly. The band has already played two gigs so far this semester, Quinby

House's Red Cross benefit for Hurricane Katrina victims, and a party at Howell House.

"Last year was sort of a building year for us," said Laurita. "This year, we know each other's styles, we know the songs...we're much tighter."

The members of Lady Rose look to the future with optimism, despite needing to adjust to Volpe's departure. They are exploring the possibility of off-campus gigs and have plans to record some of their music. Most notably, the band intends to shift its focus from covering popular

songs to writing more original material. Still, Lady Rose fans can look forward to adaptations of songs by Mountain, Guns 'n' Roses, and Pearl Jam in future shows.

Beyond this year, the Lady Rose's future is uncertain. Although Kennedy plans to graduate in May, Cashman, Laurita and Haight will be back in the fall. It remains to be seen what the next step of the band's evolution will be.

"We'll cross that bridge when we come to it," said Laurita.

He added, "But we're not going to stop rocking."

## Corpse lacks life of Nightmare

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the crutches of a now antique creativity.

Burton fanatics will notice that *Corpse Bride* is heavily indebted to his earlier (and greater) efforts. Its inter-spiritual marriage and dead-meet-the-living angles are taken explicitly from *Beetle Juice*, and Victor's character seems to be a perfect clay replication of Depp's live-action loner, Ichabod Crane, from *Sleepy Hollow*.

Finally, as observed earlier, the whole thing dreams of the bebop freneticism that made *Nightmare* such a delight. This is understandable; I dearly miss Oogie Boogie too. But the point remains that rather than serve as Easter egg throwbacks to Burton's larger body of work, such similarities compromise *Corpse*'s identity as a stand-alone feature. It's as if Burton has forgotten his once unique vision and must struggle to copy his own style with a mishmash of past films. While his newest piece feels closer to his heart, it in turn distances itself from ours.

The fact that *Corpse Bride* unravels and becomes Burton's desperate Frankenstein is both tragic and revelatory. His remake of *Planet of the Apes* was ambitiously dismal; Big Fish plunged off the cliff of melodrama and his take on *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, while praised by critics, was scattershot and underdeveloped. *Corpse Bride* is not the final screw off the director's chair for Burton by any means, but it is a wake-up call. In some ways, his career has recently been crippled by self-devotion. While *Corpse Bride* could have been, a return to form; it is mostly a retreat to formula.

## Restaurant offers taste of Bombay

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ply fantastic. As ordered, the vegetable balls were drenched in a spicy sauce balanced out by the deliciously sweet cardamom and golden raisins.

Accompanying all entrees is a large plate of white rice with peas, shredded carrots, bay leaves, and cardamom. Be sure to order some delicious Indian-style bread with your entrees—it's good for mopping up the extra sauce at the end of the meal.

The poori was not the traditional, balloon-like bread Indian-food aficionados might expect. Bombay Mahal's poori came to the table deflated. It was still useful for absorbing the leftover condiments.

To round out the meal, be sure to order the famous Indian tea, masala, which includes chai, cardamom, sugar, and light cream. It's a sure way to soothe those jumping taste buds after a meal of exotic flavors and spices.

Overall, Bombay Mahal, while not an elite Indian restaurant, offers Brunswick a satisfying taste of the country's native cuisine.

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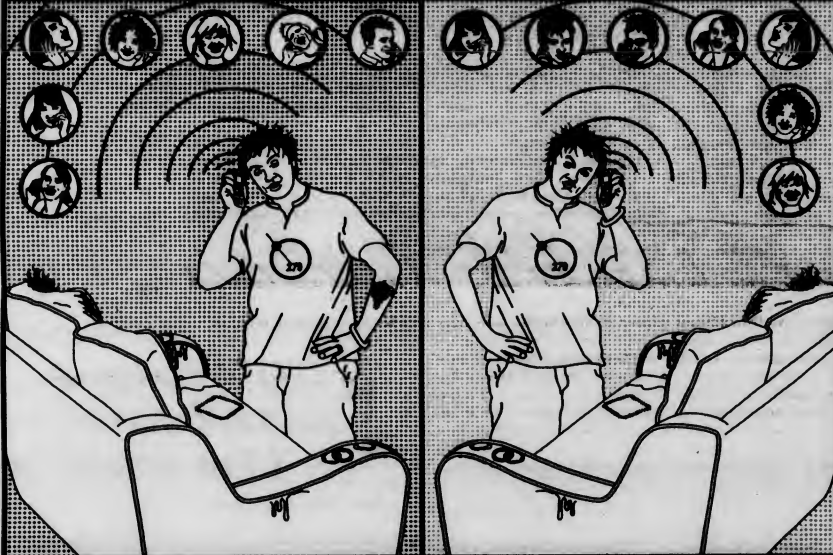
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# SPORTS

## Football wins season opener vs. Middlebury

by Chris Bucci  
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In a bizarre back and forth battle against the Middlebury Panthers, the football team won its season opener for the first time in 14 years.

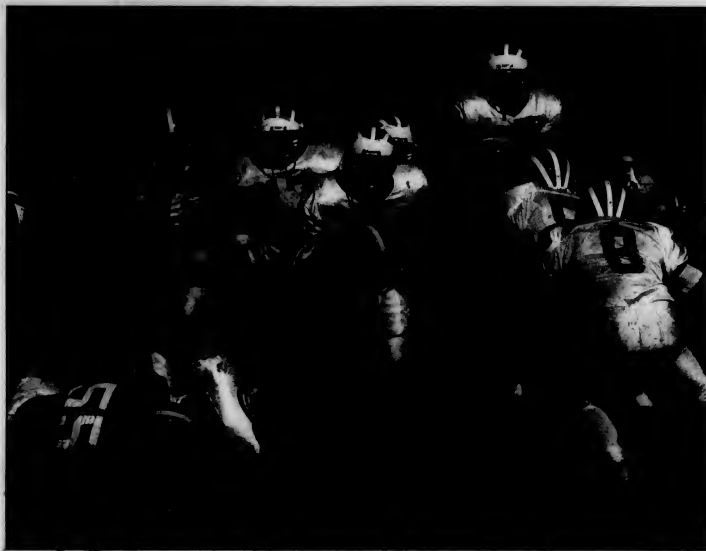
Middlebury's Tiger Lyon started the scoring with a touchdown pass in the first quarter to give the Panthers the lead, but Bowdoin answered when quarterback Ricky Leclerc '06 connected with receiver Jeff Nolin '06.

Leclerc hit Nolin for a 46-yard pass down the sideline. The extra point was blocked by Middlebury, and a Panther scooped up the block and returned it for two points, increasing the Panthers' lead to 9-6.

The Polar Bears captured the lead when outside linebacker and feared hitter John Regan '07 forced Middlebury's Dom DiMenico to fumble. Steve Curwen '06 picked up the loose ball and pushed to the end zone for the third defensive touchdown of his career. The Panthers again blocked their second straight extra point attempt to put the Bears up 12-9.

Middlebury drove down the field where All-League kicker Steve Hauschka kicked a field goal to tie the score. A few plays later, the Panthers' Stefan Hrdina broke a tackle and sprinted to the end zone for six points.

Continuing with what seemed like a common theme, Bowdoin's Steve Cunningham '08 blocked the extra point to keep the score at 18-12. Both teams then kicked field



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Matt Boyd (No. 42) gets tripped up in a jumble of players after breaking through the line.

goals to give Middlebury a 21-15 lead.

Brendan Murphy '07 chose a perfect time for his second interception of the game, snatching a Middlebury pass deep in Bowdoin territory. After exchanging possessions, Bowdoin started on its own 12-yard line. After two first downs,

the Bears were forced with a fourth and one on their own 35-yard line.

While fans chanted, "Let's go Bowdoin!" the Polar Bears went for the play. Spectators and players alike knew Matt Boyd '06 was going for the ball, but the Panthers were unable to stop him.

Working off this momentum,

Dana Brisson '06 ran down the sideline where Leclerc hit him for a 33-yard gain. After passes to Nolin and fullback Rich Florence '06, Coach Caputi made a bold call, ordering a play to receiver Nolin.

Nolin took the ball on a reverse

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### WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

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Women's Cross Country  
vs. Colby 2nd of 2

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of 24

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Williams 22-21 W

Women's Rugby  
vs. UNH 32-0 W

Sailing  
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Loder Trophy 9th of 19

Men's Cross Country  
vs. Colby 1st of 2

Women's Volleyball  
vs. Colby 3-1 L

## Men's soccer suffers its first defeat of the season



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior Anthony Regis races toward the ball in Saturday's match against the Williams Ephs. The Polar Bears lost 2-1.

by Vanessa Kitchen  
CONTRIBUTOR

The men's soccer team lost 2-1 in a close home game to Williams College on Saturday. Later in the week, the Polar Bears defeated the University of New England in a non-conference match. The Polar Bears carry a 5-1 season record as they prepare to face NESCAC rivals Amherst and Middlebury this weekend.

No goals were scored in the first half of the game against the Ephs. Bowdoin worked its offense hard, but failed to follow through with some shots on goal. Williams fought back with a strong defense.

In the second half, a corner kick from Anthony Regis '07 found Wolf Grueber '08, who finished it with his head. With 34 minutes left in the half, Bowdoin took the lead.

The Polar Bears defended their lead for another 11 minutes, until Williams's Pierre Meloty-Kapella countered with a goal to tie the game. Less than three minutes later, the Ephs broke the tie score with another goal.

Goalkeeper Greg Levin '06, in his first career performance as goalie, had a solid seven saves. Bowdoin's

offense was weak in the second half. However, Ephs took only two shots on goal, compared to Williams's many attempts to score.

Following the loss to Williams, Bowdoin fought back with a victory against University of New England, winning 5-0.

In the first half, Nick Figueiredo '08 scored from a penalty kick, followed by two more goals from Dominic Fitzpatrick '08 and Figueiredo. Figueiredo scored two more times in the second half, leading the Polar Bears to victory.

Bowdoin outshot UNE 23 to three. The Polar Bears had eight corner kicks, while the Nor'easters only managed one. Goalkeeper Nathan Lovitz '08 made one save.

Co-captain Andrew Russo '06 commented, "Overall [the Williams game] was a disappointing performance, but I think the team feels that when we play them again in October, we will be better prepared. UNE is perennially one of the weaker teams we play."

Russo was optimistic in the victory. "The score was a good result because we have the hardest games of our season coming up against Amherst and Middlebury," he said.



# Athlete Profile: Andrew Russo



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Andrew Russo moves down the field in a game against Williams. Russo has been an integral part of the team for four years.

Anna Messerly  
CONTRIBUTOR

Senior co-captain Andrew Russo's success on the field this season will come as no surprise to those who have had the honor of playing with, coaching, or watching him. A feisty forward and strong leader, Russo has blazed a record-setting trail in his career at Bowdoin.

Upon breaking the first-year scoring record three years ago, Russo was awarded Outstanding First-Year Athlete honors. Since then, he has proven to be a versatile player, occasionally spending time at midfield.

"The great thing about Russo is that he can play anywhere. You put him at forward and he scores goals. You put him at midfield and he controls the game," co-captain Mike Crowley '06 said. "He can do anything except for defending," he joked. Crowley and Russo played together for three years prior to coming to Bowdoin for the Greater Boston Eagles.

Russo's success is in the record books. Not only did Russo break the first-year scoring record, but he is tied for third for most goals scored in a season. Now he is looking to move up from his second place spot for most goals scored in a career. Scoring two more goals this season would put him at the top of the list. With nine games left in the season, it seems likely that he will be Bowdoin's career high-scorer.

Russo is a strong team player, helping his teammates to succeed on the field. Only six games into his fourth season at Bowdoin, he has the fifth most career assists. Men's soccer coach Fran O'Leary said, "Drew is a very talented soccer player, capable of both creating and

finishing scoring opportunities."

Russo has recorded 13 assists over the past three and a half seasons.

Russo's best soccer memories are of the bonds that he has formed with his teammates.

"I honestly think that the friendships I have developed with my teammates over the years have been the highlight of my career," he said.

As captains, Russo, Crowley and Willie Waters '06 lead the team by working hard on the field and motivating the team off the field.

"The captains are doing an excellent job of fostering good team camaraderie amongst our group," O'Leary said. "I am sure that Drew, along with Willie and Mike, possesses the strength of character to ensure that our camaraderie remains intact throughout the ups and downs of a college season."

So far, the team has been successful. With an overall record of 5-1-0, the squad has pulled off big wins, such as their victory over Little East Conference leader Rhode Island College, and their defeat of Colby in overtime.

With less than two minutes left in the second overtime of the September 17 game against Colby, Russo nailed a free kick to give the Polar Bears their second NESCAC and third consecutive win. O'Leary remarked, "His late game winner against Colby best exemplifies what he brings to our team on the field."

Russo, a Government and Legal Studies major, would like to coach youth soccer in the future. But for now, he remains focused on this season. "Our schedule appears to be harder than years past, but I think we're up for it," he said. "We have to take it one game at a time, and hope that we are competing for the championship come November."



## Sport Shorts

### Men's Tennis

The Bowdoin Men's Tennis Team will compete in its second tournament of the season at the ITA regional tournament being held at Williams College on Saturday.

### Sailing

Last weekend the sailing team split up to compete in two different regattas. Mark Dinneen '08, Kelly Pitts '08, Frank Pizzo '06, and Katie Auth '08 took ninth place out of 18 at the Hood Trophy at Tufts. Sailors Kelly Rula '07, Rob Parrish '08, Stuart MacNeil '08, and Margaret Steck '09 placed ninth out of 16 teams at the Loder Trophy at UNH.

### Men's Golf

The golf team finished 23rd in the Williams Invitational with a team total of 679. Leading Bowdoin was junior Brandon Malloy, who shot a 164 to take 86th place individually. Sophomore Shaez Alidina '07 took 90th place and first year Jeff Cutter came in 101st.

### Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team finished the week with victories over



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior Ivy Blackmore tries to move past a Williams player in Saturday's match.

Williams and Brandeis. The Polar Bears shut-out Williams 3-0. In the first half, sophomore Grace Moore headed a ball from fellow sophomore Ann Zeigler into the goal. Junior Ivy Blackmore and sophomore Katherine Whitley scored in the second half. Senior co-captain Anna Shapell gave a solid performance in goal with

eight saves for the Polar Bears. Against the Brandeis Judges, senior Danielle Chagnon scored with an assist from Alison Chase '09 in the first half. Sophomore Bobbi Dennison scored Bowdoin's other goal to defeat Brandeis 2-1.

Compiled by Anna Karass.

## Field hockey defeats Williams in OT



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Susan Morris '07 and Julia King '07 chase the ball from senior Margaret Gormley's hit. The Polar Bears narrowly defeated the Ephs in an overtime penalty shot round.

by Burgess LePage  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Field Hockey Team faced its toughest competition of the season in Saturday's match against Williams College. The two teams have been traditionally well-matched and this year was no exception.

Both teams boasted undefeated records before the game, making a win more important. The first half

remained scoreless until senior Margaret Gormley put in a goal from a stick stop by Susan Morris '07 with 1:43 remaining. Gormley put the ball into the right back post of the goal with a hard shot, leaving the defense with no time to react. Bowdoin's lead did not last long as Williams came out strong in the second half with a goal in the first two minutes. Bowdoin out-shot Williams 3-1 throughout the

rest of the second half, but the ball could not find the goal.

A tie score at the end of the match forced the teams into overtime play. The teams played two exhausting overtime sessions only to end in another tie, moving the teams into penalty shots. Bowdoin's five shooters were first-years Kristen Veiga, Maddie McQueeny, and Lindsay McNamara, as well as junior Taryn King and senior Alison Craib. The group went through two rounds of strokes against Williams only to end in another tie. In a very rare event, the teams then went to a sudden-victory round of penalty shots.

The game rested on goalie Kate Leonard '08, who was recently named NESCAC Player of the Week.

Anticipating the shot based on earlier style demonstrated by the Ephs, Leonard used all her best skills to stop a near perfect shot from Williams. The save alleviated pressure for first-year Kristen Veiga to stun the Williams goalie with the game-winning shot.

The win was a great accomplishment for the team and excellent preparation for this weekend's matches against Amherst and Middlebury.

## Women's rugby shuts out UNH

by Clara Cantor  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Rugby Team gave a great performance against the University of New Hampshire on Saturday. The Polar Bears played with fantastic form, shutting out the Wildcats 32-0.

The match yielded strong team play from all 15 players. Forwards dominated the game with strong scrumming and rucking skills to win and maintain plenty of ball possession. Backfield play was highlighted by strong running, tackling, and good support play, both from forwards and backs. Forwards Kelly Orr '06, Margaret Griffith '07, Emily Skinner '08, and Vanessa Vidal '08 were outstanding in leading offensive and defensive charges.

Skinner wrestled her way to a try, contributing five points to the final score. Three members of the back line, Sara Utzschneider '07, Alison Spencer '08, and Alicia Velez '08 also added a try each, with one conversion kick made by Margaret Munford '07 for an additional two points. Scrum-half Jeni Kennedy '08 scored an additional two tries to seal the win for the Bowdoin rugger. The back line showed strong running and decision-making throughout the match.

Captain Julia Bach '06 was proud of the game's result. "The pack played a great match. They made it easy for the backs to get their game on. I think our fitness fun days really paid off," she said.

The B-side game was equally excit-

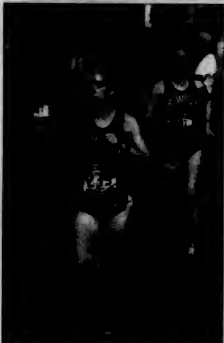
ing with a lot of playing time for rookies. With quick decision-making skills and confidence, Leslie Wittenbraker '06 scored the lone try of the match, which concluded with a 5-5 tie. Many rookie players made their home rugby debut, showing determination and enthusiasm with every play. The entire B-side contributed solid efforts throughout the match, most notably Caitlin Bevan '08, Laura Sartori '06, Jemima Fernandez '06, Krystal Barker '08, Maria Koenigs '09, and Alanna Beroza '09.

Following her first Bowdoin rugby game, Beroza enthusiastically stated, "The real clincher for me was Daphne Leveriza's '08 glorious boot at the end of the game," adding, "Rugby is awesome."

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## Colby races ahead of women's cross country



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Polar Bears sprint to the finish in last Saturday's dual-meet against Colby.

by Laura Onderko  
ORIENT STAFF

Highly-ranked Colby College outpaced the Bowdoin Women's Cross Country Team on Saturday in Bowdoin's first home meet in almost four years.

The Polar Bears say they are taking last Saturday's loss in stride.

Senior co-captain Jill Schweitzer said, "Colby was top-five in the nation last year. They only lost one runner and they gained one to replace her. We knew they would be tough competition, and they certainly proved themselves on Saturday. Yet I'm not worried about how we did. Many of us had great races, and many of us can now see clear goals for the future."

First-year Courtney Martin finished first for the Polar Bears. Martin stayed with the lead pack of Colby runners

throughout the race, taking fifth place overall with a time of 19:15, only five seconds behind the race winner.

"Courtney Martin competed very well with all their top runners, and led the race for part of the last mile. She is poised to have a memorable season," Coach Peter Slovenski said.

After several strong Colby finishes, Bowdoin captured tenth through 13th place. Courtney Eustace '08 finished tenth in 19:42. Fellow sophomore Laura Onderko followed Eustace in 19:57. Just four seconds later Kristen Brownell '07 crossed the finish line for a 13th-place finish.

Amy Ahearn '08 rounded out Bowdoin's top five with a personal best time of 20:03. Alex Knapp '07 and Lindsey Schickner '09 crossed the finish together in 20:20 to take 16 and 17th place.

The next group to finish was led by first year Elissa Gervais with a 19th-place finish. Sarah Podmanizky '08 trailed Gervais for 20th place. Jamie Knight '07 ran a personal best of 20:38 to take 21st.

Jessica Sokolow '09 was Bowdoin's next runner to go through the finish chute to take 26th place. Caroline Sholl '09, who took 28th place.

The team remains positive, despite the loss.

"It was good experience for our team to see what a top five NCAA championship team looks like in a dual-meet race," Slovenski said.

Schweitzer agreed.

"We will face Colby at least three more times this season, and now we know which runners to look out for and catch as we progress through the season. Our team is strong, and I'm looking forward to see how we develop," she said.

Bowdoin finish came from senior co-captain Ben Martens in the day's most exciting race. Martens ran in ninth place for most of the race and trailed by 20 seconds the seventh and eighth place runners from Colby

at the three mile mark, with two miles left. Martens kicked past the two Colby runners to capture a crucial seventh place finish.

Sophomore Steve Bartus, in the second college 8k race of his career, took 13th place for the Polar Bears.

The team was down several runners because of injuries.

This weekend the Polar Bears will challenge the

University of Farmington in their third meet of the season.

## ITA Tournament held at Bowdoin

by Nick Day  
CONTRIBUTOR

For the second consecutive year, the women's Intercollegiate Tennis Association Tournament (ITA) was held at Bowdoin. The ITA event, which lasted from Friday to Sunday, showcased the best singles and doubles that New England Division III women's tennis has to offer. The Polar Bears played well and won many tough matches.

In first-round action, co-captain Kara Perriello '06, along with teammates Kristen Raymond '08 and Sarah D'Elia '09 handily defeated their opponents, dropping just nine games between them in three matches.

Senior Kelsey Hughes endured a more difficult match, losing a close contest to an Amherst starter, 6-2, 6-3.

In second-round action, the women flexed their muscles, winning two of three matches. Perriello in particular weathered a roller-coaster of a match. After dropping the first set 6-7, she stormed back to win the second set 6-2. Perriello defeated her opponent in a super tiebreaker, 10-4.

Raymond advanced after her opponent withdrew because of a knee injury. D'Elia, forced to play her second match at nearby Maine Pines because of a shortage of court space, had difficulty adjusting to the lighting and the speed of the indoor courts. After dropping the first set 6-0, she rebounded to take the second set 6-1, then lost the third set in a super-tie breaker.

"In retrospect, I feel like it was a match I should have won. But I also think my opponent played pretty



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Doubles pair Kara Perriello '06 and Kelsey Hughes '07 prepare to receive a serve during a quarterfinal match against Williams.

well," D'Elia said.

In round 16 on Saturday, Raymond cruised through her match, 6-2, 6-1, against a top player from Brandeis. In the quarterfinals, she drew Kristen Raverta, a towering player from Amherst. Raymond dropped the first set 6-3. Her changes in strategy were to no avail, and she dropped the second set 6-2 and was eliminated from the tournament.

"Even though she lost in the quarters, Kristen played one hell of a tournament," teammate D'Elia said after the match.

In doubles, Perriello and Hughes

crushed their first and second round opponents, 8-2 and 8-6, respectively. The doubles pairing of senior co-captain Kristina Sisk and Raymond lost 8-5 to a talented duo from Williams.

Hughes and Perriello were the last Bowdoin players eliminated from the tournament. The ladies battled the number one team from Williams and lost in a 9-7 nail-biter.

"Everyone played well. But I think the most important thing our team came away from this tournament with was specific things we need to work on in order to become an elite team in Division III," D'Elia said.

## V-ball loses tough match to Colby

by Kelly Bougere  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Volleyball Team challenged Colby at home last Wednesday, and although the undefeated Mules added another win to their record, it was not without a tough fight.

After losing the first game 21-30, Bowdoin came out strong in the second. The team pushed its way ahead of the Mules, taking a close victory of 30-28. The Polar Bears led down their guard in the

third game giving Colby the lead again. Determined to put up a fight, the Polar Bears had a fantastic fourth game with a final score of 30-26, nearly forcing Colby to play a fifth match.

"The Colby match really showed how far we've come as a program in the last four years. It was such a thrill to take a game from them, and next time we plan on taking the whole match," said senior Ellie Simon, who led team with 11 kills and seven blocks.

Sophomore defensive specialist

Kristen Lee had an impressive 25 digs and setter Margo Linton added 35 assists to her strong record.

Later in the week, Bowdoin faced University of Maine at Machias, University of New England, and Salem State at the Polar Bear Invitational tournament in Morrill Gymnasium. The Polar Bears swept the tournament, winning all three matches 3-0, 3-1, and 3-0, respectively. Junior Julie Calareso finished the tournament with 27 kills. Sophomore Jess Liu took 19 defensive digs away from the opposition.

## Men's cross country beats Colby in close race

by Scot McFarlane  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Cross Country Team narrowly defeated rival Colby in Saturday's race.

The final score of 28-27 showed that cross country is a team sport and the performance of every runner counts.

Most of the team held back at the beginning of the race to let the Colby guys blow off their steam, except for senior Andrew Combs, a co-captain, who maintained the lead throughout the entire race.

The fast pace of the Bowdoin course made it difficult for the Polar Bears to Nate Krah '08 took fourth in catch the Colby Saturday's dual meet against Colby runners.

Junior Owen McKenna and Nate Krah '08 secured fourth and fifth places, respectively. The third



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and headed out to the left sideline. As he sprinted down the last ten yards, Middlebury linebackers closed in. At the three-yard line, he dove out of bounds, but his outstretched hand hit the pylon, tying the game at 21.

With the Polar Bears holding their breath, Nolan McNair '08 drilled the extra point to give Bowdoin a 22-21 lead.

Commenting on the reverse, Leclerc said, "A few plays before we were in the same formation and they yelled out to watch for the reverse so I was worried, but we executed it and Jeff made a great dive for the touchdown."

Middlebury drove down the field into Bowdoin territory where the team was faced with a fourth

down with eight yards to go. Despite having an All-League kicker, Middlebury decided to go for the touchdown. Quarterback Lyon threw to Jamie Staples, but the tight end took his eye off the ball. With the pass falling incomplete, the game was all but over.

The game had all the makings of a classic, leaving fans satisfied. With a stellar second half by both the offense and defense, there was plenty of optimism after the game.

Leclerc finished with 303 yards passing (22-37) which is good enough for 28th in the nation in total offense for Division III. Murphy had two interceptions and eight tackles. Regan's 11 solo tackles were the most in Division III football after one week and Steve Curwen '06 had ten tackles as well as a touchdown recovery.

Nolan was undoubtedly the star of the show. He set the school record for receiving yards with 203 and was one shy of the receptions record. In addition to his impressive yardage, Nolan had both a touchdown reception and run. He was named Offensive Player of the Week in the NESAC for his feats. With two touchdowns, ten receptions, 203 yards, and a spectacular diving one-handed catch, he excelled throughout the game.

While Nolan was excited about his personal performance, he was more concerned with the team's momentous victory.

"I think the best part of the game was that we played four full quarters and never let up. We played great, but we can still play better so everybody's excited," he said.

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### Trustees: name it 'Mitchell Hall'

After deciding to name one of the new first-year dormitories in honor of Bowdoin alum Bernard Osher '48, the trustees may consider a name for the other dorm at their fall meeting in mid-October.

George J. Mitchell '54 would be an exceptional namesake.

Mitchell served Maine as a U.S. senator from 1980 to 1995 and served the country as Senate Majority Leader from 1989 to 1995. In 1999, President Bill Clinton awarded him the Presidential Medal of Freedom—America's most prestigious civilian honor—for his distinguished mediation and diplomatic influence in the Northern Ireland peace process.

But perhaps Mitchell's contributions to the world of academia are most worthy of praise. He founded the Mitchell Institute, which provides scholarship support for hundreds of Maine students each year and offers them leadership and networking opportunities throughout college. Mitchell's organization also provides specialized grants, on-site coaching, technical assistance, and professional development to select secondary schools throughout the state. Mitchell serves as Chancellor of Queen's University of Belfast in Northern Ireland, and started a scholarship program for graduate study.

He affected the lives of citizens and families from Brunswick to Belfast, and has made Bowdoin proud. By naming a dormitory in honor of Mitchell, the College would set in stone the worthy recognition of a man whose insightful leadership and commitment to public service, education, and the common good exemplify the power and reach of Bowdoin's core values.

The College could not hope for more in an alumnus, and could not ask for a better candidate to receive this honor.

### Stick to your mandate, BSG

The Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) is planning to issue a statement on a question Maine voters will face in November regarding discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation at this Tuesday's meeting, according to BSG President DeRay Mckesson '07. BSG should not issue a stance on this or any other political issue initiated at the local, state, or national levels. Such action would simply fall outside of its mandate. This should be the case no matter the content of the question, and even if the concluded opinion is widely shared.

It is hard to forget how BSG stepped beyond its mandate in wrongly issuing an opinion on behalf of the student body almost three years ago regarding the Iraq war, and for BSG to continue on that dangerous path would be unwise. Unfortunately, Mckesson has expressed a general philosophy in favor of BSG tackling such high-profile issues initiated beyond Bowdoin. Students voted for candidates to represent them on issues regarding campus policies and activities. Thus, if BSG reacts to local, state, and national issues, then candidates should expect voters to demand to know their political affiliations and vote accordingly. This would not be a healthy addition to the BSG election process.

Opponents might argue that a loose interpretation of article 1, section C of the BSG constitution provides the implied power for BSG to make such proclamations. It is our view that "legislative issues facing Bowdoin College" refers to strictly internal administrative matters. BSG is not elected to represent the student body on every issue facing the world, and should not pretend it is within its mandate.

### Playing by the election rules

DeRay Mckesson '07 is a College institution? That's the judgment of the BSG Elections Committee, which disqualified DeRay Mckesson's candidacy for the Class of 2007 presidency last week. Mckesson, who is already the president of BSG, planned on running again, but withdrew this week under pressure from the committee.

At issue, the Elections Committee says, is a conflict of interest between Mckesson's candidacy and his role as student government president.

The committee did a poor job communicating its justification to the student body. In a letter sent to students' mailboxes this week, the committee did not point to specific rules that Mckesson broke. However, upon questioning by the Orient and by a BSG member at BSG's meeting on Tuesday, election officials referenced rules about college organizations and college resources.

The committee members must have long arms, because this interpretation is a stretch.

Typically, the leader of a democratically-elected body is not considered to represent the entire body in internal politics. And Mckesson is certainly not a "resource" of Bowdoin College in any sense of the word—he is neither on the College's payroll for his BSG work, nor is he a possession of the College.

We believe that the Elections Committee did what it thought was best for Bowdoin students and the student government. However, the committee overreached in this case.

We would support the committee's decision if the BSG Constitution or election rules clearly stated that a BSG officer cannot also be a class officer. In the coming months, committee members may want to propose legislation for future elections. But the fact remains that no rules clearly preclude Mckesson's candidacy.

And for that reason, we cannot support the Elections Committee's decision to interfere with a democratic vote.

Editorials represent the majority view of The Bowdoin Orient's editorial board. The editorial board consists of the editors-in-chief and the managing editor.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Intellectual theft should cause concern

To the Editors:

The recent report of plagiarism of a grant proposal by a senior staff member raises very serious concerns about the privacy of electronic information and the custodians to which it is entrusted. Before one can commit an act of plagiarism, one must first obtain the source material.

Generally speaking, grant proposals are confidential documents and thus are not something that can be found online. So how did the accused senior staff member obtain Carey Phillips's grant proposal?

As the document was supposedly stored on network storage operated by the IT department, one must consider the possibility that the accused senior staff member used privileged administrative access to copy the data.

As a former IT staff member myself, I can attest that a corrupt senior staff member with administrative access to Bowdoin's IT infrastructure would not only be able to access faculty grant proposals, but would be in a position to access student records, library borrowing history, alumni credit card numbers, telephone calling history, and most importantly personal e-mail, as well as monitor IM conversations and web sites visited.

While there may be no explicit rules that prohibit plagiarism by senior staff, all members of the community are indeed bound by the Computer Use Policy and the IT Security Policy.

If one reads the Computer Use Policy, the clause "Users may expect privacy for all data stored in their accounts. Out of respect for personal privacy, the College does not examine the contents of files in user

accounts..." should jump out as very relevant to the case at hand.

How could Dean McEwen say he is not aware of "any policies regarding access to files on Bowdoin servers" when he was co-chair of the committee that approved not only the Computer Use Policy, but the larger IT Security Policy which explicitly spells out the rules, roles, and responsibilities of access to electronic data?

If the suspect did indeed access Professor Phillips's data electronically, what other data is he or she busily copying right now while the administration does nothing to stop them?

Allowing someone who has already demonstrated a willingness to violate personal privacy and steal data to remain in a position of trust and privileged access to vast amounts of sensitive and private data is akin to allowing a child abuser access to playgrounds.

Sincerely,

John Meyers '02

Boston, Massachusetts

### Disqualifying Mckesson was a fair decision

To the Editors:

I am writing to express my alarm over the recent BSG Elections.

During the fall of 2004, I served as co-election moderator with DeRay Mckesson. Mckesson has always been, in my experience, very conscious of avoiding inappropriate conflicts of interests as an elected official. Thus, reading last week's Orient article, "Mckesson disqualified," was a shock to me. I was mystified as to how Mckesson could have so blatantly abused his position as BSG president by openly and actively campaigning for and against individuals.

As BSG president, Mckesson is the symbolic figurehead of the organization that is running the election. The organization must remain as neutral as possible to ensure that the most objective and fair election takes place.

Clearly, an objective election did not occur because the organization's figurehead overstepped the bounds of neutrality.

Having devoted four years to student government at Bowdoin, I am disappointed that these actions have occurred. Having been an interpreter of the election rules and BSG Constitution in the past, I feel that it is clear that election moderators and those directly affiliated with the sponsoring organization should not interfere to the best of their abilities.

Thus, I feel that the Elections Committee handled a difficult situation appropriately. The neutral integrity of elections must be maintained as it is one of the legitimizing facets of the BSG and their role on campus. I hope that the BSG, despite the controversy and divide that may have occurred amongst its ranks, rallies together in the spirit of common good.

Sincerely,

Sue Kim '05

Former SAFC Chair and BSG

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New York, New York

### Students, be careful using credit cards

To the Editors:

"Dear Joel," says a letter from MBNA to my son, "as a college student you've got more choices now than ever before, and many of the decisions you make today will have an impact on your life tomorrow. That's what makes the MBNA VISA credit card such a smart decision."

Diving into credit card debt is never a smart decision. You are the prey. Beware, students. MBNA's offer is a scam to get you (or your parents) in debt, and if you think that's smart, you need to study harder.

Sincerely,

Steve Cartwright

Parent '06

Waldoboro, Maine

### It is possible to quantify discrimination

To the Editors:

Regarding Mr. Kolowich's op-ed on the Michael Heath speech, one way to create an information source is to add a question regarding sexual orientation to the Equal Employment Opportunity portion of a job application.

A great deal of data is collected on other demographic variables, and there are statistical consulting firms that are hired to determine if there is a statistical likelihood of discrimination in hiring or Reduction In Force procedures. The demographic information is required on state applications, so this would allow one to monitor each state.

If you are interested in this as a career, you may wish to examine "Use of Statistics in Equal Employment Opportunity Litigation" by Connolly, Peterson, and Connolly.

Sincerely,

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

## Linhart used generalizations of liberals

To the Editors:

I am writing in response to Zachary Linhart's contribution to the September 23 issue of the Orient. First of all, I am absolutely outraged by the totally ridiculous and appalling generalizations that Mr. Linhart made about Bowdoin liberals.

To quote President Hyde and direct it at the "liberals who were at the event and the ones who weren't there, but would have acted the same way if they had been" is disgusting.

Not only did the majority of the yellow-clad "liberals" behave very respectfully throughout Mr. Heath's presentation and the Q&A session, but the assertion that those who weren't there would have acted in an unbecoming fashion had they attended the event is unjustified and unfair.

Mr. Linhart's submission was riddled with inappropriate and ignorant comments that were no more than cheap shots at liberals, and failed to be sensitive toward our own gay and lesbian students.

The group of students that attended the event "wearing yellow shirts" was not a group of closed-minded, hateful liberals, but rather a diverse group of students who came together because of a variety of objections to Heath's position. It included conservatives as well as Christian students who wanted to make it clear that Mr. Heath's agenda was not in line with their beliefs. Mr. Heath's presentation was not a "diverse forum," but a single (and extreme) side of the debate.

If the Bowdoin College Republicans were concerned with starting a dialogue on this campus, they would organize a truly diverse forum where all sides of an issue could be discussed properly and respectfully.

If Mr. Linhart actually cares about the College as much as he claims, he would try to build community rather than divide the campus across party lines.

Sincerely,  
Jackie O'Hare '06

## Lack of moral philosophy in homophobia

To the Editors:

I am responding to the letter entitled "Maine should not tolerate immorality," by Kristen Brownell. Her letter reveals a fundamental misunderstanding of the anti-discrimination legislation and a pre-defined dogmatic morality that is not grounded in moral philosophy.

With regard to the anti-discrimination law that the Maine state legislature passed in last March, Brownell claims "the passing of a similar law in Massachusetts led to gay marriage."

Massachusetts is but one of 16 states that protects civil rights of homosexuals. Asserting that Maine or any other state will adopt gay marriage following the passage of an anti-discrimination law is unfounded and statistically incorrect.

By changing the focus to gay

marriage, Brownell ultimately ignores and dismisses the discrimination that the law seeks to remedy.

Gay marriage aside, Brownell writes that the introduction of an anti-discrimination law is tantamount to accepting immorality. Says who? Religious dogma?

She appeals to authority, a rhetorical fallacy, without addressing moral philosophy. The Golden Rule, like many of Christ's teachings, has an independent basis in moral philosophy. Homophobia, like racial discrimination, does not.

Brownell and other opponents of anti-discrimination legislation would be wise to examine their own pre-defined morality so that it includes the virtues of fairness and tolerance, which have a true basis in moral philosophy. Perhaps then we will all "treat others as we would like to be treated."

Sincerely,

Aaron McCullough '07

## Election rules misinterpreted

To the Editors:

I would like to comment on the current fiasco we are involved in with the disqualification of DeRay McKesson from the election of Class President.

As a member of the Student Government Affairs subcommittee of the BSG last year, three other students and I were responsible for revising and creating the election rules that are currently in place.

The Elections Committee does have the final say on all matters relating to the election. However, the three clauses that they used within the election rules to disqualify DeRay McKesson were devoid of any backing in the text, history, or traditions of the Bowdoin Student Government Constitution.

The apparent logic was that as BSG president, McKesson was a de facto voice for the student government, which is an organization on campus. As this voice, the committee found that McKesson was a "college resource."

Because Section 3.A of the rules states, "Candidates shall not use College funds or resources for campaign purposes," McKesson was disqualified. When we originally helped create this text, we never intended the term "college resource" to be used in such an expansive and liberal manner. It was meant to include things like printing fliers in the library on college paper and using other tangible items.

The interpretation of the Elections Committee represents a reading of the election rules that is not only far from logical reasoning, but far from original intent. I urge restraint.

Sincerely,

Alex Linhart '06

## Party politics is too restrictive

by Evan McLaren  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Orient sent out a plea recently for more conservative editorialists. I was tempted to answer the call this week and the Democratic convention would have provided plenty to criticize. But in accepting the Orient's invitation I would have been nourishing an anemic political discourse that seems to nourish only two ideologies, both of which are bankrupt. With (social democratic) liberals and (neo)conservatives directing the conversation, one is quickly corralled into a decision of Republican or Democrat. Right or Left. Red state or blue state. Pick-up truck or Volvo. You must choose immediately and only between these two; there are no other options.

For argument's sake let's ignore the uninspired choice of calling yourself a moderate and assume that you want to join in the political discussion. The punditry of our college Democrats and Republicans exerts enormous pressure on you to pick teams. On one side are liberals who grossly overestimate civil society's flaws and believe that government can and must intervene to fix them. On the other are conservatives who once upon a time believed in smaller government, but who are now beating the liberals at their own game while also pursuing crusade after bloody nation-building crusade.

Many students at Bowdoin became politically aware during the current administration and are horrified by the well-documented crimes of our Bush-

Cheney, Pinky and the Brain outfit. Given the obvious Republican immorality these students are given to assume that the Democrats offer the best hope for peace.

Unfortunately the Democrats have a worse foreign policy history than the Republicans. It was under Harry Truman that much of our willful war-making and imperialist stance was developed. Since Truman, Democrats have done as much as Republicans to brutally force their will on the rest of the world. When you consider that Truman also was the only leader to drop the atom bomb (twice, both times on civilians), it becomes clear that liberals have an even looser grasp on morality than our current president.

The parties are nearly indistinguishable as well in their domestic policy. Republicans advocate slight tax cuts and emphasize different government programs, but they joined the Democrats long ago in enthusiastically exercising the New Deal legacy of social welfare and economic intervention. In fact, Harvard professor Jeffrey Frankel has written a paper arguing that the two parties have exchanged ideologies.

The domestic policies underwritten by both parties in recent times may have damaged society even more than persistent foreign intervention. The Federal Reserve, through its manipulation of the money supply, made the 20th century a period of unprecedented boom and bust, ruining lives and robbing us of unrealized prosperity.

Meanwhile, as Hans-Herman Hoppe points out in his book

*Democracy: The God That Failed*, during the last century "the rates of crime, structural unemployment, welfare dependency, parasitism, negligence, recklessness, incivility, psychopathy, and hedonism have increased." These are all problems that the government claims to have answers to, and ones that it has done more to "solve" in the last 100 years than ever before in our history.

Deciding which party played a larger role in these developments is less important than accepting that both parties are thoroughly depraved, and that electoral politics holds humanity's doom rather than its salvation.

To begin to understand why these disasters have occurred, follow the advice of Murray Rothbard and characterize all government actions in the same moral light as you would the actions of a private citizen. Obeying this idea, "war" simply becomes mass murder, "conscription" becomes enslavement into armies, "taxation" becomes robbery at the point of a gun. The less offensive words are customary because the conventional role of both political parties and most intellectuals—especially since Marx and later on, Keynes—has been to apologize for crimes committed by the state.

If you believe in perpetual war, human depravity, and the socialism of the central state, the Republicans and Democrats here on campus will be happy to represent you. If instead you believe in peace, freedom, and civilization, you can begin to make a difference by simply choosing to ignore the theatrics and punditry of our campus ideologues.

## Bowdoin dating isn't hopeless

by Sarah Riley  
CONTRIBUTOR

On my very first day at Bowdoin, snuggled in to my sleeping bag at Farley Field House, I was given some insight that has shaped my entire Bowdoin career. When asked what the dating scene was like at Bowdoin, my female trip leader gave a sarcastic, mildly unattractive snort and answered, "What dating scene?" She then described the two kinds of people on this campus: the serial bed hoppers and the couples who fell in love over a bag of trail mix as soon as their van to Mt. Katahdin left the parking lot.

Indeed, it seemed that at Bowdoin, your only choices were either a never-ending cycle of sweaty dances in poorly lit basements and unfamiliar futons, or a never-ending relationship. Period.

As a senior looking back on all this, I have to admit that there is a fair amount of both the random hook-ups and the couples that have pretty much already said their "I Do's." But I wouldn't give a first-year student the gloomy dating forecast that my pre-o leader gave

me. I would argue that we simply need to expand our definition of what a "date" really is.

For instance, I doubt anybody would argue that going to Starfish Grill in crisp collared shirts and pearls is anything other than a bona fide date. There's wine if you're 21 or resemble someone who is, there's seafood if you're not allergic, and there's a solid chunk of your summer savings that you will never see again. It's all very romantic, very grown-up and potentially very dangerous.

Instead of wasting money, an EpiPen, or a perfectly good fake ID, how about a simple Thorne dinner date? While perhaps not as intimate or extravagant as the lobster paella for two, Thorne can provide a gentler transition from the world of "me" to the world of "we."

Sometimes all it takes is a hearty helping of chicken parmesan and an innuendo-laden trip to the sundae bar to get your foot in the door and that whipped cream somewhere other than underneath your cherry.

Or, if the whole dining hall scene isn't your thing, how about a spur of the moment trip to the convenience store in the midst of a particularly grueling Math 060 problem set? This one-on-one stroll to the Union is an admittedly subtle but clearly defined effort to spend some alone time together. Bonus points if he uses his Polar Points to purchase your Diet Coke and string cheese.

However, if you find yourself constantly worrying about food in your teeth, there's always the standard movie date to fall back on. Regal is only a hop, skip, and a \$9 cab ride away. Nothing says love like the 9:50 showing of that exor-

cism movie whose mere trailer renders us all sleepless on a daily basis, yet for some God forsaken reason is rated PG-13. There's the hand holding, the overdramatic gasp-and-grab we women are known for, and the undying hope that at the end of the night she'll be too scared to sleep alone.

If you're not in to the whole devil possession thing, however, there are some other options. Go to Common Hour together, or take in one of the Bowdoin Film Society's selections for free—no cab ride necessary. A simple cup of coffee at the Café in the union can be very romantic, and the cookies are almost as delicious as a goodnight kiss beneath the stain on the polar bear sculpture outside.

Or, if you actually enjoy physical activity, take a stroll around the Quad. Who knows? You might even have the opportunity for some not-so-innocent physical contact when you have to pull her away from the edge of one of those terrifyingly deep holes in front of the art museum.

And for those of you who honestly believe that you look your best after two keg stands and a brief, blurry, squinty-eyed look in a mold-encrusted mirror, why not stay late at a party? Nothing sets the mood like a 3:00 a.m. PBR amidst a sea of spilled beer and a smattering of other potential couples suggestively tugging one another towards the door.

Regardless of the time or place, it's time to start seeing these happenstance one-on-one moments for what they are: a chance to talk, to get to know one another, and to swing by Bowdoin Express for a late night can of Redwip.

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# The Weekly Calendar

## September 30-October 6

### Friday

#### Gender and Islamic Art

Dr. Perween Hasan, art historian and Fulbright Visiting Scholar, gives a lecture on Islamic art and architecture in South Asia.  
Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center, 3 p.m.

#### Contra Dance

Line dancing hosted by the outing club.  
Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center, 8 p.m.

#### Organic Garden

Tour Bowdoin's organic garden. Meet at the Polar Bear outside Smith Union to bike to the location or ride with the van shuttle service.  
Bowdoin Organic Garden, 1-5 p.m.

#### Film: Duck Soup

Groucho Marx gains control of the land of Freedonia, aggravates his own cabinet, and pushes his enemies to wage war on him.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

### Saturday

#### Latin American Studies

Attend a symposium entitled "Democracies, Identities, and New Lefts in Latin America," presented by the New England Council on Latin American Studies.  
Druckmiller Hall, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

#### Concert: An Angel's Voice

Derek Lee Ragin, accompanied by the ensemble Rebel, performs Baroque music.  
Bowdoin Chapel, 3-4:30 p.m.

#### Al Franken

Come to a comedic show with Al Franken, talk radio host and political satirist.  
Morrell Gym, 8 p.m.

### Sunday

#### Art Exhibit

A reception is held to mark the opening of painter Sally Loughridge's exhibit.  
Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union, 3 p.m.

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel,  
4:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### The Bodhisattva's Brain

Owen Flanagan, professor of philosophy, gives a talk entitled "The Bodhisattva's Brain: Neuroscience, Virtue, and Happiness."  
Druckmiller Hall, Room 16, 7 p.m.

#### Visual Arts

Artist Shaun Leonardo '01 gives a lecture.  
Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Rosh Hashanah Service

Daggett Lounge, 6:30 p.m.

#### Textile Painting

Cathy Worthington teaches techniques for creating art on fabric.  
Craft Center, behind Admissions, 6:30-9 p.m.

#### Stahl Lecture

Poet and scholar Willis Barnstone gives a reading and presents the annual Stahl Lecture.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7:30-9:30 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

A rainbow shines between the towers of the Bowdoin Chapel yesterday.

### Thursday

#### Community Lectures Series

Dr. Louis E. Sage from the Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences will lecture.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

#### Boreal Tordu Concert

Traditional Acadian, Quebecois, Maritime, and Cajun music is played in a concert by the band Boreal Tordu.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 8-10:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Smoking Cessation

Part of a nine-session course offered by Parkview Hospital on traditional and non-traditional techniques that help to stop smoking.  
Mitchell North, Thorne Hall, 2-3:30 p.m.

#### Ceramics

Bill Flood gives a class on wheel-throwing techniques.  
Craft Center, behind Admissions, Introductory class: 4-6 p.m.  
Intermediate class: 7-9 p.m.

#### Career Information Session

Eric Gregg '93, Director of Credit Suisse First Boston's Buy-Side Insights Group, will hold a conference for students interested in investment banking.  
Hawthorne-Longfellow Hall, 7-8:30 p.m.



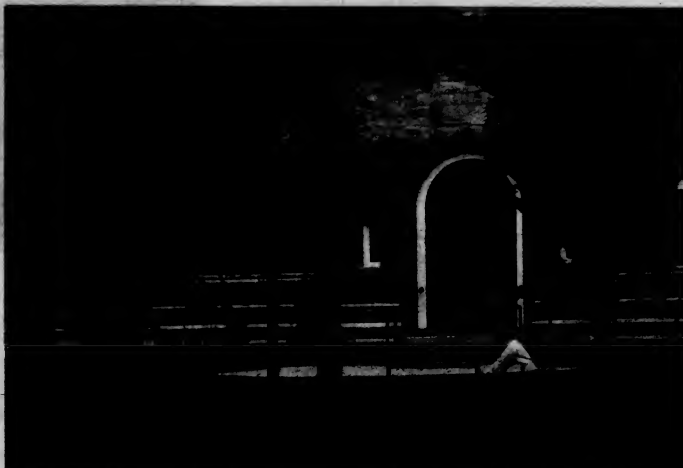
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## Autumn colors welcome alumni back home



Evan S. Kohn, The Bowdoin Orient

The fall foliage provides a colorful backdrop for this weekend's outdoor homecoming festivities.

## Car crash kills Bowdoin senior

Friends remember creative talent and quiet spirit of Katie Scott

by Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

Kathryn Anne Scott '06 died as a result of a car crash in New Hampshire over fall break.

Scott was alone in the car at the time of the crash on Monday evening. Soon afterwards she was taken to Elliot Hospital in Manchester and succumbed to serious injuries the next morning.

"Students who knew her have described Katie as a lovely woman," said Dean of Student Affairs Craig W. Bradley in an email to all students and faculty Thursday morning. "Katie made a number of contributions during her years at Bowdoin."

Scott's car hit a tree 100 feet off of an I-93 northbound lane in Londonderry according to the New Hampshire State Police Troop-B Milford Barracks. While not citing any specific evidence, the police

report said, "Alcohol and speed appear to be contributing factors to the crash."

No one else was injured by the crash.

The Orient was unable to speak with crash investigator Trooper Robert Lima despite repeated phone calls.

Scott spent last spring studying at Edinburgh University and had been on leave from Bowdoin since September.

An English major and education minor, Scott worked at Hatch Library and was a leader in the Asian Students Association, "a role she found to be personally meaningful," according to Bradley. "She danced as part of the hip-hop club. Obviously, and she performed in the Vagina Monologues in 2004," he said.

According to Bradley, students described her as someone "who was often reserved but could also be a 'fearless' creative spirit in dance and drama."

Scott served as the Back Page Calendar Editor for the Orient for three semesters.

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## Professor mugged on Park Row

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

The Department of Safety and Security and Brunswick police are on the lookout for a man who assaulted and robbed a Bowdoin professor in an apparently random nighttime attack.

Director of Security Randy Nichols says investigators have conducted interviews with a number of people who "saw important things" before and after the robbery.

Associate Professor of Physics Steven Naculich was walking home from the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library at approximately 10 p.m. last Tuesday when the assailant attacked him from behind and wrestled him to the ground in front of Gustafson House. Gustafson House, which is home to the Student Aid Office, is located on the Park Row side of Maine Street.

The suspect stole Naculich's possessions and fled in the direction of

Coles Tower and Chamberlain Hall.

Investigators believe the assailant used nearby bushes as cover before the attack. He did not brandish a weapon.

Naculich said he suffered minor abrasions to his arms and knees, and has a sore neck, back, and ribs.

"I've been taking anti-inflammatories to reduce the swelling," he said.

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## Ad-hoc organization unites queer staff

by Dan Hackett  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin's first ever Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Transgender (GLBT) faculty, staff, and friends ad-hoc organization recently convened to discuss the prospect and mission of an official organization.

The group was started from a student-initiated effort to solidify support for GLBT students and friends, according to Bernie Hershberger, licensed psychologist and interim director of the College's counseling services.

"A year or two ago some students came to me and asked whether or not there were GLBT staff on campus,"

he said. "At that point some staff may have been out but there was no organization proper."

Hershberger investigated Middlebury, MIT, and Wesleyan University to see if they had GLBT staff associations. He found that staff associations, web sites, and counseling services had been established to work with GLBT students.

"This prompted us to press the Bowdoin administration as to whether or not it was safe to be on staff and be out," Hershberger said.

The answer was an unequivocal yes, Hershberger said. He added, "This initiated a process to establish

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## Capital campaign on course

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

One year into the behind-the-scenes phase of the capital campaign, Bowdoin is gauging interest from its biggest potential donors to determine if its goal of \$250 million is too high—or not high enough.

According to President Barry Mills, the College will likely be ready to publicly kick-start the campaign next fall. The initial plan for the fund drive was approved by the Board of Trustees last October.

Senior Vice President for Planning and Administration Bill Torrey said that the campaign team has already had discussions with 60 percent of board members and about half of other large donors.

"We're exactly where we want to be," he said.

Assessing the campaign's progress to date, Mills said in an interview with the Orient, "We're at a stage where we've established our priori-

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## Black faculty rate trails those of peer colleges

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin's number of black faculty is the lowest among highly-ranked liberal arts colleges, according to a recent study by The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education (JBHE).

A summer 2005 article in JBHE showed that of Bowdoin's 152 faculty, only three, or two percent, are black. Of the 21 liberal arts colleges that gave statistics to JBHE, Bowdoin's percentage is the lowest.

Dean for Academic Affairs Craig

McEwen said that the College is working hard to promote diversity among the faculty.

"It's not something we're happy about," McEwen said of Bowdoin's lack of diversity. "We're taking steps to change this pattern."

Bowdoin also holds the lowest percentage of black tenured faculty, with 1.1 percent, or one black professor out of 94 tenured faculty. Of the 23 schools that provided data to JBHE, only Claremont McKenna

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## Refurbished track honors alum



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The outdoor track will be rededicated during halftime of the homecoming football game to honor gold-medalist Joan Benoit Samuelson '79.

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## Faculty and staff GLBT group creates forum for discussion of queer issues

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some sort of faculty and staff organization, to work in conjunction with the Bowdoin Queer/Straight Alliance (BQSA) and the Queer/Trans Resource Center."

According to Hershberger, the exact mission of the group is yet to be decided. Preliminary objectives include establishing "a mentorship program and a web site" and "possibly a program to set up host families for students to visit or stay with during school breaks or other occasions."

The first meeting, held September 28, consisted of a general dialogue on queer issues faced by Bowdoin, according to Munny Munford '07,

member of the ad-hoc group, was attracted to Bowdoin because of the College's reputation as a safe place for queer staff.

"When I was interviewing, I remember being told that Bowdoin was the first Maine school to come out against discrimination. That was a selling point," Aldridge said, adding, "I was told that it was easier to be a gay faculty member than a gay student."

Citing social pressures placed on students, Aldridge believes this perception is accurate. She is unsure, however, as to how welcoming Bowdoin appears to prospective students.

Based on her experiences in talking to straight and gay students at Bowdoin, Aldridge "would not advise a questioning student who is looking for a supportive atmosphere to come here." She believes "that there is a lot of closeting and reservation within the student body."

"It's not that my perspective is wholly negative," Aldridge said. "I think that the small community here is great, that the LBGT and queer community

is growing and achieving a higher profile. I'm just surprised that it's just now forming."

Munford agrees that though there "is support for LGTB staff and students, it is not as abundant as many of us would hope for it to be."

"The Bowdoin campus is very tolerant, and has a ways to go on acceptance. This is one of the reasons I think a faculty LGBT focus group is so important," Munford said.

"The support needs to be worked on to make this place a safe and comfortable campus for all people, and that has not yet been achieved," she said.

The ad-hoc group will meet in Lamarche Lounge in Smith Union Friday, October 21 at 12 p.m. to flesh out its mission and discuss future plans. Hershberger welcomes students, faculty, and staff.

*"When I was interviewing, I remember being told that Bowdoin was the first Maine school to come out against discrimination. That was a selling point."*

Suzanne Aldridge  
Visiting Fellow  
to the Education Department

Some members of the group also advocated that the organization take on a political stance and consider upcoming Question 1, to be decided on November 8. According to Munford, the group discussed possible campaign strategies.

Whether or not the group will pursue any political objective remains uncertain, Hershberger said. Among other things, the organization could add to the supportive infrastructure being developed at Bowdoin and attract prospective students and staff. "I've sometimes gotten phone calls from [prospective] students wondering what Bowdoin does to support gay, lesbian, or transgender students," Hershberger said. "These students are making their college decision based on the presence of support services and also a sense that GLBT students are safe."

Visiting Fellow to the Education Department Suzanne Aldridge, a

## Katie Scott '06 will be remembered for her "warm presence"

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"To convey the loss of a best friend is difficult enough, but to describe Katie's true personality is even harder," said Becky Crimmin, a Mount Holyoke senior who spent a semester at Bowdoin and knew Scott since junior high school.

"For those Bowdoinites that never knew Katie's character," Crimmin continued, "she had a dry wit that would show itself at the oddest times...Katie's creative side was demonstrated in her class choices, her involvement in theater, her photographic skills, and her love of dance, both choreographed hip-hop and her spirited freestyle at parties and with friends."

"Katie was loved. She will stay with us in our hearts and memories always," she said.

Bowdoin Student Government President DeRay McKesson '07 said, "This is a sad moment for the entire Bowdoin family. Katie will always be a part of this family and I trust that memories of her will live on in the hearts of us all."

Fariha Mahmud '06 and Keerthi Sugumaran '06, who worked with Scott through Bowdoin's Asian Students Association (ASA), shared McKesson's grief.

"Katie was a quiet and unassuming person, yet full of life. She demonstrated a unique zeal for the activities that she was involved with... Her warm presence and talents will be missed by not only ASA, but by all that knew her," they said in a joint statement to the Orient.

Maggie O'Mara '06, who danced with Scott, remembered her in similar regards.

"She was an amazing dancer, one of those people you look at and say to yourself, 'wow that girl is very talented.' I remember her as a hard worker and she always came to dance practice with a smile on her face," said O'Mara.

"My dearest memories are the late night [conversations] where we would contemplate the meaning of life and our futures, all while eating sushi and Korean noodles," said Scott's first-year roommate Elizabeth Mengesha '06. "As a senior, I had looked forward to graduating with Katie and seeing her achieve success in her future endeavors."

Carla Cambiasso '06 told the Orient, "She was a dancer, an artist, and most of all a fellow friend with whom to question the world."

"Katie was reserved and made everything she said valuable. Her words were precious and her voice was strong," she said.

There was a gathering last night in the Peucinian Room of Sills Hall for those wanting to talk about Scott's passing.

Bradley noted that members of the Counseling Service staff, the

*"Katie was loved. She will stay with us in our hearts and memories always."*

Mount Holyoke senior Becky Crimmin

Office of Student Affairs, and Residential Life are available any time of day.

A memorial service will be held for Scott on Sunday, October 16 at 2 p.m. at the Acton Congregational Church, located at 12 Concord Rd. in Acton, Massachusetts.



Katie Scott '06

As noted in Bradley's email, the family suggests gifts in memory of Scott to either the Bowdoin Scholarship Fund or the American Cancer Society. Expressions of condolences may be sent to Scott's father, Dr. Herman Scott and her brother and sister, Jason and Jenna, at 8 Highland Rd., Acton, MA 01720-2049.

The College will make an announcement about a campus memorial service once plans are in place.

Said Cambiasso, "Katie was one of Bowdoin's best kept secrets. Katie shared experiences and insight that make me feel special for having known her."

## Mills to publicly kick-start the capital campaign next fall

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ties for what we want to realize."

Those priorities include approximately \$175 million for the College's endowment, \$25 million for various building projects, and about \$50 million for annual budgetary expenses.

The centerpiece of the campaign is \$75 million to strengthen the financial aid portion of the endowment.

Citing the increasing difficulty lower- and middle-class families have in sending children to college, Mills said that ensuring that financial aid expenses are endowed is necessary to "create opportunities for next generation of students and scholars."

Another \$75 million of the to-be-raised endowment funds will be targeted towards the academic program, which will allow the College to hire 12 additional faculty members. The remaining \$25 million is to support student programs such as career planning and community service.

Building projects to be funded by

the capital campaign include the construction of a recital hall, a new hockey rink, and renovations to the Walker Art Building.

Mills acknowledged that he has been spending significantly less time on campus recently in order to travel on campaign-related business.

He said that despite spending about half of his time on the campaign, he is still "very involved in the life of the College, but nothing is more important than solidifying the endowment."

Mills cited "the talent of students, the excellence and dedication of faculty, and the quality of staff" as important factors that help him convince people to support to the College.

"What is important is to explain to people the Bowdoin of today and explain why I believe this place deserves their support," he said. "It is a simple fact that in the end places can't maintain excellence or move to the next level without financial support."

Torrey echoed Mills's comments,

saying that Bowdoin's strength helps in raising money.

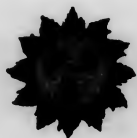
"People give to success stories," he said.

Torrey said he tells donors, "Don't give until it hurts. Give until it feels good."

### CORRECTION

The Orient printed an incomplete quotation in large type that took a comment made by Professor Bruce Kohorn out of context in the September 30 story "Intellectual property allegation 'resolved.'" Kohorn was referring to computer network security, not to intellectual property policy. The Orient regrets the error.

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# Dems draw crowd with Franken

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

After playing host to the first two conventions of the Maine Chapter of the College Democrats of America, the Bowdoin College Democrats have decided not to hold the annual convention on campus next year.

"Having the convention at Bowdoin the first two years helped solidify our presence around the state," Bowdoin Democrats Co-President Frank Chi '07 said.

"Next year, we hope to pass the torch to another chapter—and there are many up-and-coming strong chapters to choose from," he said.

The second Maine College Democrats Convention, which took place the weekend of September 30, drew 116 delegates from seven Maine colleges, according to Bowdoin Democrats Programs Co-Chair Anya Trundy '06.

The most widely attended convention event was political satirist Al Franken's keynote address on Saturday night, which drew an estimated 1,700 people.

Franken, introduced by Maine Governor John Baldacci, spoke to a full Morrell Gymnasium about U.S. Congressman Tom DeLay's indictment, the "intellectual sloth" of the current administration, and his court case with Fox over his book, *Lies*



Courtesy of the Bowdoin College Democrats

Al Franken attested to the "crooks" in the Republican Party during his keynote address at the second Maine College Democrats Convention.

and the Lying Liars Who Tell Them: A Fair and Balanced Look at the Right.

"This president was handed, probably through his own incompetence, an opportunity to lead not only this country, but the world, into a new century," Franken said, regarding President George W. Bush's response to the attacks on September 11. "Instead of taking that moment to go after Osama Bin Laden, he let Bin Laden go and used it to attack Iraq so his cronies could get billions of dollars."

In an interview with the Orient, Franken was asked whether he fears being characterized as the Rush Limbaugh of the Left.

"Yeah, I worry about that. These are people who don't listen to what I say and mis-characterize it," he said. After giving an example of an issue involving minimum wage labor statistics, he continued, "The difference is that we get our labor statistics from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and he gets them from the Bureau of Rush's Butt."

Other speakers sponsored by the convention included campaign manager for Maine Won't Discriminate Jesse Connolly, candidate for U.S. Senate Jean Hay Bright, and Congressman Tom Allen. State Representative Emily Cain spoke about the importance of youth involvement in the political process and Congressman Mike Michaud led a discussion on labor in Maine.

The convention also included a number of optional workshops, including media, web, and chapter-building training.

"One of the most valuable things many convention-goers may have gained is simply the networking and knowledge of who is at the other colleges working," Bowdoin College Democrats IT Director Oliver Radwan '08 said. According to Radwan, the Bowdoin College Democrats swapped ideas on web site design with democrats from Colby College and discussed individual schools' strategies for Maine Won't Discriminate with delegates from the University of Maine at Farmington and at Orono.

"While the big highlight of the weekend in terms of turnout was Al Franken, some of the training sessions where everyone could get in a circle and exchange ideas and discuss techniques were, in my opinion, the best part of the weekend," Radwan said.



Courtesy of the Bowdoin College Democrats

Congressman Mike Michaud met with convention delegates over lunch to discuss labor issues.

# BSG disapproves taking political stances, holds new Class of '07 elections

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin Student Government has decided not to take a stance on broad political issues, such as Question 1 on the November ballot.

After a lengthy discussion at last Tuesday's meeting, BSG informally voted 19 to 6 to disapprove taking positions.

In defense of taking stances on such issues, Mckesson cited the BSG constitution, which states, "The student government shall be empowered by the student body to be responsible for presenting student opinion."

While President DeRay Mckesson felt it was a way for BSG "to be a part of a bigger community, like Maine," many members felt it was not the student government's place to take a political stance representative of the entire student body.

"It's a fine line we're walking when we're saying something on the larger scale," Vice President of Facilities William Donahoe '08 said.

Andrew Edwards '09 felt that commenting on broader political issues would take away from BSG's main focus, the student body.

In last week's BSG re-elections for the Class of 2007, Justin Strasburger was elected president

and Liz Laurits was elected treasurer.

Re-elections were held for the positions of president and treasurer after incumbent Mckesson was disqualified from the elections by the BSG Elections Committee because of his role as the president of BSG.

Derrick Wong '07 made a complaint against Mckesson and Laurits, whom Mckesson had endorsed. Laurits defeated Wong in the re-election by a vote of 147 to 29.

Strasburger defeated his opponent for president, Theo Salter, 97 to 67.

In other business, BSG has given \$200 to Sustainable Bowdoin in order to fund the purchase of fluorescent light bulbs, which will be distributed to students in hopes of saving energy costs this winter.

Also, with about \$50,000 in funds from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation left for the year, the College is looking to bring in a high profile speaker; Kurt Vonnegut, Senator George Mitchell, and poet Billy Collins were listed as potential options.

In addition, BSG is looking into extending weekend hours at the Dudley Coe Health Center. Also in the works for next semester is a one-card system, with which students could use their Bowdoin card at local Brunswick businesses.

# Track dedication will honor Samuelson '79

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

The John Joseph Magee outdoor track has been refurbished and will be rededicated this Saturday to honor runner Joan Benoit Samuelson '79, the gold-medalist in the inaugural women's marathon of the 1984 Olympic Games. The track was been resurfaced and enhanced with a \$300,000 gift from Nike.

The newly improved track now boasts eight lanes for the straight-away instead of six. The steeplechase and high jump have also been enhanced.

According to Archie Abrams '09, cross-country and indoor/outdoor track runner, "The surface [of the track] is amazing; the super-mondo is extremely fast."

"The steeplechase pit is much nicer. I don't know if you saw it last year, but [the track] is definitely in a lot better shape," he said.

The track will remain named after Jack Magee, long-time Athletic Director of Bowdoin and talented track and field coach, but it will also acknowledge Joan Benoit Samuelson,

"clearly the best athlete Bowdoin has seen," according to Ward.

Samuelson has been accepted into six different halls of fame, including the International Scholar-Athlete Hall of Fame, the International Women's Sports Foundation Hall of Fame, and the USAF National Track and Field Hall of Fame. Today she lives with her family in Freeport.

The new track will also benefit members of the Maine community. Freeport High School will use the track in its after-school practices and whenever Bowdoin's teams are not using it.

"This is a win for all of us...Nike gave us the money, and we made some accommodations for Freeport," Ward said.

The official rededication ceremony will take place at homecoming during the Bowdoin-Hamilton football game.

At halftime, Joan Benoit Samuelson, Nike Brand President Mark Parker, and Bowdoin President Barry Mills will speak. According to Ward, Libby Barney '03, a runner at Bowdoin, will speak about Samuelson and her influence on students as a rolemodel.

# BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

## IT to set up computer network in Gulf Coast school

Bowdoin IT is working to contribute to the Hurricane Katrina relief efforts, specifically to one New Orleans school administration that is trying to create a temporary school in a gymnasium.

Twenty-five computers are set to be sent down to the school from Bowdoin, pending authorization from Microsoft to install the operating system and office software free of charge.

While this will help the effort to resume schooling in New Orleans, the original plan was on a larger scale.

"I called all of the hardware companies—HP, Dell, and Apple—to ask if they would be willing to donate computers to this

school," said Bowdoin's Chief Information Officer Mitch Davis. "They all said no. I said I didn't appreciate that answer."

The only company willing to help Bowdoin's efforts was Microsoft. The original plan was for one of the hardware companies to donate some PCs, and then Bowdoin students could go down to help set up a network.

Even though the original plan has been downsized, Bowdoin IT is still optimistic and determined to help. "It'll be 25 more computers than they would have had," said Davis.

## Roy Partridge to assist Mills in multi-cultural affairs

Roy Partridge was appointed Special Assistant to the President for Multicultural Affairs.

Partridge came to Bowdoin in 1993 as the Dean of First-Year Students. He is a graduate of Oberlin College and earned his master's degree and Ph.D. at the University of Michigan. He also obtained a M.Div. from Harvard University.

As Special Assistant to the President for Multicultural Affairs, Partridge will act as an advisor to President Barry Mills and work with the staff, students, and faculty on the importance of multiculturalism and equity.

Partridge has been a member of the faculty for more than ten years now, and he will continue to teach courses in sociology and African Studies.

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## Campus mugging has students questioning safety

ATTACK, from page 1

According to Nichols, the suspect demanded money and made off with Naculich's wallet, watch, wedding ring, and a black and blue Totes backpack.

The backpack contained a collection of Naculich's research papers.

"It represents about two months of calculations and will take some time to reproduce," Naculich said. "Fortunately, it's all still pretty fresh in my mind."

Last Thursday, investigators used a tracking dog to try to find the bag. The dog sniffed a piece of Naculich's clothing and searched the campus and local woods. Nothing was recovered.

"It has probably been dumped somewhere in the community," Nichols said.

Nichols said additional evidence was sent to the Maine State Police Crime Lab, but said he could not elaborate because the investigation is ongoing.

One student observed the suspect loitering in the area about five minutes prior to the attack. The student briefly saw the suspect and remembered enough information for inves-

tigators to create a composite sketch, Nichols said. That sketch was released on Wednesday and has provided additional leads.

"New information is coming in from a variety of sources," Nichols said Thursday evening. "It is a very active investigation."

Nichols said he could not provide information about specific leads because of the investigation.

Investigators believe that the attack was random. In a security alert sent via email to students and staff, the suspect is described as having a height of 5'10" to 5'11" with a thin build. He is approximately 19 to 22 years old with close-

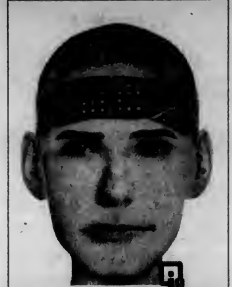
cut hair, which was possibly shaved. He wore a bandanna of an unknown color, rolled to about an inch wide. The suspect's skin seemed either tanned or dark pigmented. He wore baggy clothing and did not appear to be wearing eyeglasses or jewelry.

Readers who may have information that could contribute to the investigation should call the Department of Safety and Security or the Brunswick Police Department.



Bowdoin Orient Graphic

The attack took place by Gustafson House on Park Row.



Courtesy of the Bowdoin College Department of Safety and Security

This composite sketch depicts Professor Naculich's assailant.

Ely Delman '06 is the head resident assistant of Brunswick Apartments. He said the Park Row sidewalk is one of two walkways that students usually use to go to Brunswick Apartments and that "there's been a lot of talk" from residents about the robbery.

"The residents I've spoken to are worried about walking back to Brunswick at nighttime," he said.

Catrina Cartagena '07 is one such resident. She tries to use a better-lit route to walk to Brunswick Apartments at night and moves with groups whenever possible.

"I've even thought about buying pepper spray, if for no other reason than to make myself feel more secure," she said.

Cartagena represents the Class of 2007 in Bowdoin Student Government and plans to bring up Park Row lighting at its next meeting.

Assistant Director of Security Louann Dustin-Hunter checked the records of the College's annual lighting walks and said it does not appear that the Gustafson House area of Park Row came up as a concern. The next lighting walk will take place on Thursday.

Meanwhile, Nichols urged members of the community to take precautions. He advised that students use the College's shuttle service, which is dispatched by security and is available every night.

"Crime happens everywhere," he said. "We should not delude ourselves from thinking we're insulated from that."

Dustin-Hunter is also planning a Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) class for female students and staff. The class will take place on October 16 and October 23 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. During the second session, participants will be given the option of participating in a mock attack scenario.

The class is free, but registration is required. Interested women should email Dustin-Hunter or call 725-3314.

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## Trustees meet during homecoming

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

The Board of Trustees meets this weekend to discuss pressing College issues, including the current construction of the concert hall, higher energy costs, and next-year's re-accreditation process.

According to Bowdoin College President Barry Mills, the new intellectual property policy "won't be settled by the October meeting because the faculty hasn't had a chance to respond" to it yet. Thus, it will not be on the agenda for this meeting, its first of three annual meetings.

Though the trustees are commonly aware of the general issues on the agenda months in advance, as the meeting approaches, priorities occasionally shift or additional topics are placed on the agenda.

This first meeting in which trustees will participate will commence with a half-day orientation for new trustees so that they can become better acquainted with the College and the trustee committees.

Friday's proceedings are set to

include most of the business details, which are generally worked out within the 14 committees and subcommittees. Within each committee are eight to ten trustees, one faculty member, and one student.

This diversification of the committees came about in an effort made by the College administration to ensure that "the students and faculty are aware of what's going on and have a voice and vote in the committee," according to Bowdoin College Secretary Richard Mersereau.

Saturday's schedule is to be geared toward having a presentation on a more focused and involved issue than those previously addressed in the meetings. In this particular meeting, the focus will be on acquainting the trustees with the re-accreditation process, which is undergone once every ten years and which will be taking place next year.

Though there are many issues to be discussed within the various committees, according to Mersereau, they generally get passed unanimously.

The Board of Trustees is made up of 45 members, most of whom are either alumni or parents representing a wide variety of backgrounds and experience.

According to Mersereau, "Governance is taken very seriously—how it works, who is on board, expertise, diversity, points of view... We very consciously try to shape the board with smart, experienced, successful people who bring different qualities and perspectives to the table."

The main role of the board is to hire the president of the College and then to work with the president to make sure that the direction the College is going in is parallel to their expectations. While they do not make executive decisions, they play an integral role in guiding the workings of the school.

"Good governance means no surprises," Mersereau said. "It's a process of agreeing upon what the issues are and discussing them, and by the time there's a vote it has been thrashed out, people have had their voice heard, and it's usually unanimous."

## Sculptor replicates deteriorated gargoyle



Courtesy of Walter Arnold

Chicago-based artist Walter Arnold works to carve an identical gargoyle to replace the cracked one removed from Hubbard Hall two years ago.

by Nat Herz  
CONTRIBUTOR

After 102 years of weathering the winter freeze and the spring thaw, Bowdoin's lone gargoyle finally gave way two years ago. A facilities team inspecting Hubbard Hall's masonry noticed a crack in the gargoyle and sent up an engineer to investigate.

"When the engineer got up there to look at it, when he actually put his hands on this thing, that's when a section of the wing came off and we knew right then that this was not good," Major Maintenance Program Manager Michael Veilleux said. "We decided right then that we should remove it."

The gargoyle was taken down, and a committee was formed to find a replacement. The committee considered numerous proposals for reconstruction before settling on Walter Arnold, a Chicago-based sculptor, over Constantine Seferlis. Arnold had apprenticed as a marble sculptor in Italy and also worked at the National Cathedral in Washington D.C. before starting his own studio in 1985.

"It was readily obvious that these two guys were the top in terms of quality and experience, so it was a fairly easy choice," said Veilleux. "Between those two, it just came down to price."

The old gargoyle was shipped to Chicago, where Arnold is to fashion a replica out of a 2,200 pound block of Indiana limestone. He will use the same type of tools that the original gargoyle was sculpted with, including a pneumatic hammer, which is similar to a mini-jackhammer.

The replica will be as exact as Arnold can make it. "Our theory is that the damage occurred due to the freezing and thawing of ice in [the gargoyle's] throat," Veilleux said.

A distinctive feature of gargoyles is that water is funneled through their mouths. Noted Veilleux, "We thought about making it a grotesque (a gargoyle that doesn't have a hole in the throat), but we all agreed we wanted it to be restored as close to the original as possible."

Instead of a grotesque, the final design calls for less drainage of water through the gargoyle through changes in the roof, turning the gargoyle into an overflow drain. That way, Veilleux hopes that the damaging freezing and thawing can be minimized.

Students should not expect to see the new gargoyle soon—Due to maintenance on other areas of Hubbard as well as the difficulties of reinstalling the gargoyle, the new one will not be affixed for two to three years, even though Arnold expects to complete it this spring.

In the mean time, Veilleux is interested in putting the new gargoyle on display, potentially in the lobby of Hubbard Hall. Then, when it is installed, the old gargoyle could take its place.

"The old one is in pieces, and it could be glued back together sufficiently such that it could be used as a display piece," he said.

Arnold, the sculptor, agreed on the gargoyle's appeal. "A gargoyle really adds a lot of character and life to a building," he said. "These are the things that really make a building distinctive and can really bring a building alive."

## IT revamps networking system for faster, more secure connection

by Chris Marotta  
CONTRIBUTOR

"We're connected to 86 buildings, with 250 systems, containing more than 13,000 ports." All Mitch Davis can do is smile as he gazes at walls of wires and computers in the basement of Hubbard. "No matter where you plug in, it all comes here," he says.

According to Davis, Bowdoin's Chief Information Officer, the College's computer network is a vast and powerful machine. This semester, the whole system is about to get even better.

"We had a contract with an internet provider for several years. Now that contract is up," Davis said. What that means for Bowdoin students is better and more reliable internet. "What we were working with before was a 30 megabit connection. Now we're getting a 125 megabit connection."

In addition, Bowdoin's revamped internet connection is more secure as well. According to Network Engineer Jason Lavoie, the College's current connection is not up to par.

"We have one connection coming in. If this cable is broken, the whole internet goes down," he said.

Now Bowdoin has two path-diverse connections to two different

providers. The paths will not cross, so if one connection gets broken, the system still works.

The upgrades will not burden the College financially. "We used to pay \$10,500 a month, now we're getting a system that's four times faster for \$9,700 a month," Davis said.

According to Davis, this system

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has come a long way over the past two years.

"Two years ago, we had a bad virus, the Blaster Virus. It infected the old network and every computer connected to it," Davis said. "The old network was impossible to secure. We couldn't close ports—anyone could hack in any time they wanted to."

Information Technology (IT) soon realized that changes had to be made.

"We looked at what we had and realized people were needing more. The art department was using external hard drives to transport large amounts of information. Basically, people had to work around the network," Lavoie said.

Once IT realized the flaws, everything had changed. Bowdoin upgraded to redundant gigabit processors. "The backup system is always online, so even if the network were to fail, the downtime would be under three seconds," said Lavoie.

There are two sets of firewalls now—a border firewall protecting the campus from outside networks and a core firewall to protect computers connected to the campus network from getting to the core server. IT also segregated different networks into different sections. Instead of one big "melting pot," a student segment, an administrative segment, and several others were created to control access between groups.

The past summer, another big change took place in the Bowdoin network—it went completely wireless. Many students working at IT found this process daunting.

"It's more than just taking access points out and hanging them up," said Alec Berryman '07. "You can model it, but you don't know the actual construction of the building. There was a lot of trial and error."

Changes in IT are constantly being made. "We upgrade a quarter of our machines every year," said Davis. "And we could keep going deeper and deeper—there's a lot going on here."

## Bowdoin currently has only one tenured black faculty member, out of 94 total tenured faculty

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The study also noted that Bowdoin had five black faculty members in 1999, which put Bowdoin's one-time black percentage of total faculty at 4.4 percent.

According to JBHE, just over five percent of all full-time faculty members at colleges and universities in the United States are black.

Dean for Academic Advancement Kassie Freeman, in charge of increasing staff diversity at Bowdoin, said that she has found a strong reception to her cause.

"I've been meeting with department chairs and I've found great openness and willingness to enhance the diversity," she said. "Bowdoin is a place that really values difference."

Freeman, herself black, pointed to her employment as a "reflection of the College's desire to increase African-American faculty."

Devon Layne '09, who is taking the Africana Studies course "Blackness in America" this semester, offered further thoughts as to why diversity within the faculty was important.

"For certain topics I would prefer a black professor," he said. "You would expect a black professor for my class, because to truly represent 'Blackness in America' you have to experience and live as a black person."

The one black tenured professor at Bowdoin is Randy Stakeman, the director of the Africana Studies department. Stakeman is on leave this semester.

JBHE found that of liberal arts colleges, Haverford has the most diverse faculty—7.9 percent of the faculty are black. Mount Holyoke,

Vassar, Wesleyan, and Swarthmore round out the top five. Bates is eighth, at 5.6 percent, and Colby is 19, at 3.1 percent.

The study found that liberal arts colleges, though located in more rural areas, were more diverse than universities.

JBHE suggested that the reason for this discrepancy was due to liberal arts colleges' focus on the humanities, where black academics are more common.

McEwen said he supported increasing the number of black faculty at Bowdoin, specifically by

recruiting African American academics.

"Bowdoin is committed to affirmative action to hire faculty and staff," McEwen said.

In order to "widen the applicant pool," Bowdoin must "actively recruit" instead of "passively wait for potential applicants to reply to ads," he said.

"I think it's important for our faculty to represent a wide range of backgrounds, perspectives, and experiences in order to provide a richer learning environment to our students," said McEwen.

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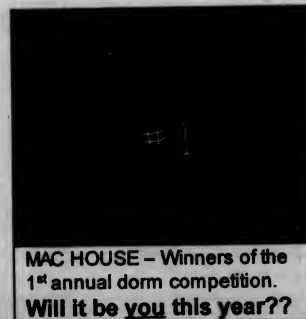
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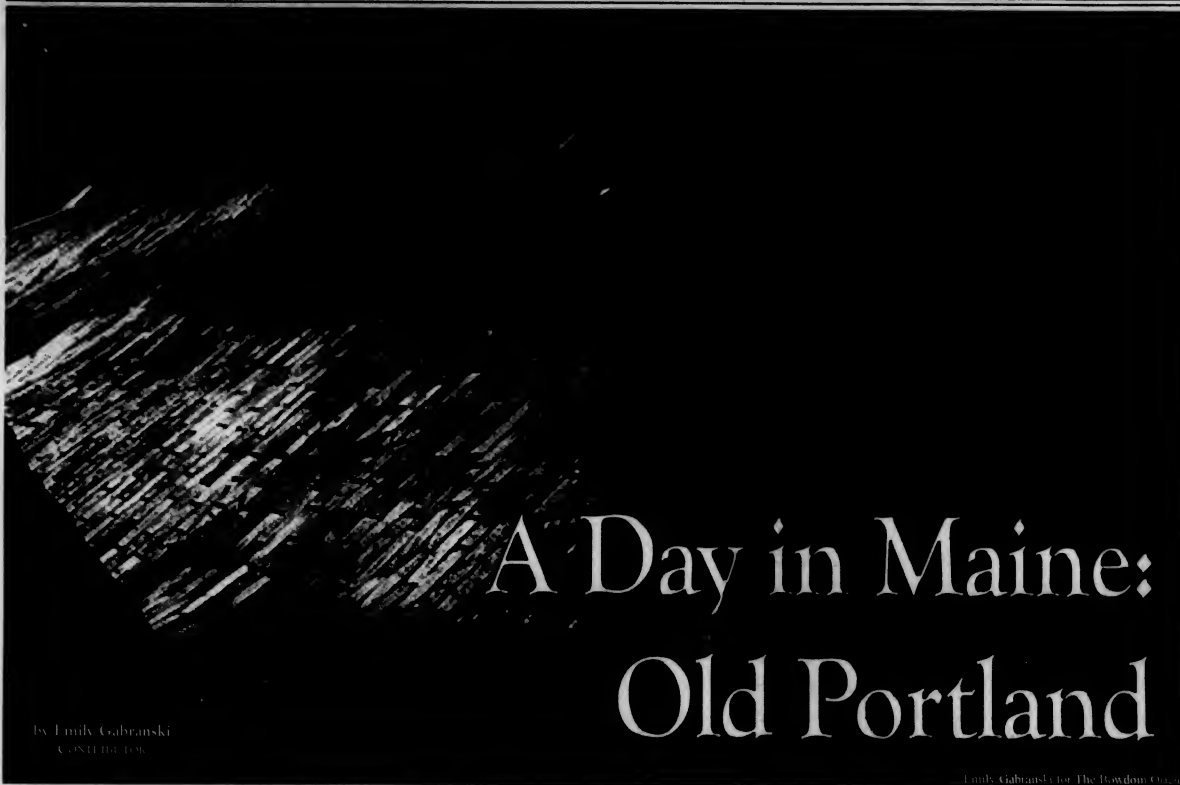
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## A Day in Maine: Old Portland

By Emily Gabranski  
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Emily Gabranski for The Bowdoin Orient

**A**n aged man makes a guarantee in a thick Maine accent: "You can find anything in the Old Port."

"Anything" seems a tall order for a district of Portland that covers no more than several blocks; however, this revitalized warehouse district really does offer all that a college student could want in a day trip.

The 30 minute trip to Portland is worth the gas money because it is fundamentally different from shopping and dining experiences elsewhere in Maine. Unlike Freeport and the Maine Mall, the Old Port is made up of locally-owned boutiques, cafés, and restaurants, lending this seaside area a unique and pleasing ambience.

Strolling down the cobblestone streets with the smell of the sea blowing gently through the air, it is difficult to leave the sidewalk and

enter a store. There is so much to see outside.

A fiddler and guitarist play upbeat tunes on a corner. A young mother ushers her daughter away from the candy store and toward the car. Couples finish their shopping to dine at one of the fine restaurants in the area. The sun slowly sets, dropping below the horizon and yet, the air remains warm.

It is difficult to imagine a nicer place to sit and relax than the park bench at the center of the Old Port.

Upon entering a uniquely-named coffee shop, Breaking New Ground, the park bench no longer seems so comfortable. The potent smell of freshly ground coffee awakens the senses; quaint tables lining the front of the shop allow for a great view of the street. Coffee in hand, many patrons sit reading the newspaper,

quietly enjoying one aspect of life in the Old Port.

Across the street, cosmopolitan women swarm into a boutique clothing store, appropriately called Bliss. Despite the number of people in the store, it does not feel crowded due to its open floor plan. Store employees are on hand to help every customer navigate several racks full of one-of-a-kind clothing and a wall devoted to denim. The interior walls of Bliss are made of brick and mortar, reminding customers of the history of the Old Port and providing a hip backdrop for the store, one of many boutiques in the area.

Among these boutiques, an older man finds a refuge in the form of a leather couch at the front of Books, etc. Promising 20 percent off current New York Times bestsellers, this shop enjoys its share of bibliophiles

## Adderal and booze make a bad combo

Ask Dr. Jeff

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right? C.L.

*Dear Dr. Jeff: Sometimes, before a night of drinking, we take some Adderall. It's a prescription medicine that many students take normally every day—so that can't be dangerous,*

Dear C.L.: Actually ...  
Adderall (amphetamines salts, a

stimulant) before alcohol (a depressant) will possibly allow you to party on longer into the night (and presumably drink more) before you fall asleep or pass out from the drinking. I'm not sure, though, that you can do that safely or legally.

Among the short-term adverse physical side effects of Adderall are nausea and vomiting, palpitations, tremors and muscle twitching, dizziness, and headaches. Adverse short-term psychological side effects include paranoia, psychosis, anxiety, and severe depression. If you're taking someone else's

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## DiGiusto '96 returns to College as professor in Dept. of Government

### Professor Profile

by Joy Geertz  
CONTRIBUTOR

On returning to the College, Bowdoin alumnus Gerry DiGiusto '96 comments, "It's interesting to see how a place works from another perspective."

As his ten-year reunion approaches, DiGiusto reflects upon his time as a student at Bowdoin: "It fit. I made great friends. I was very happy with it."

DiGiusto, a visiting instructor in the Department of Government and Legal Studies, was born in New England, but moved to Lancaster, Pennsylvania as a child. He grew up there, but wanted to

return to New England for college.

He discovered Bowdoin his junior year of high school. His English class was reading the literature of famed Bowdoin College graduate Nathaniel Hawthorne. DiGiusto's teacher mentioned that Hawthorne had attended Bowdoin which sparked his interest in the College. After a visit, he felt that it was a good fit.

DiGiusto double majored in government and French at Bowdoin. He spent his junior year abroad at the University of Geneva in Switzerland.

After graduating, DiGiusto was a teaching assistant (TA) in the English department at the University of Western France in Brest, France.

"I thought I wanted to teach, and it was a good opportunity to try teaching," he said.

For DiGiusto, his time in France was also a time to experience being out on his own.

After returning to the United States, DiGiusto worked for the Antitrust

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## Old Port's unique shops attract tourists, locals alike

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and leisure readers. The shelves brim with interesting and unusual books like *The Complete Annotated Grateful Dead Lyrics* and *The Trouble with Tom: The Strange Afterlife and Times of Thomas Paine*. Books, etc.'s book of the day. Extensive selections for children and regional books are available along with best-sellers. Books, etc. is an essential stop for anyone perusing shops in the Old Port.

The variety of stores housed in the brick buildings of the Old Port is amazing.

Walking down Middle Street, visitors will find the familiar Bull Moose logo shining brightly in the basement below the Portland Chamber of Commerce. Soon after that stands the

Clay City Redux, a gift shop filled with jewelry, eclectic bags, children's toys, and cookware. Further on, the window of David Wood Menswear bears the phrase "Celebrating American Style" and features the bust of a well-dressed gentleman. Each street is different and unique, offering a shop for every personality, interest, and budget.

The selection of shops may be surpassed only by the diversity of restaurants available in the Old Port. Fore Street, arguably the most famous restaurant in Portland, was ranked one of the 50 best restaurants in the nation by *Gourmet* magazine and is a destination for tourists and locals alike.

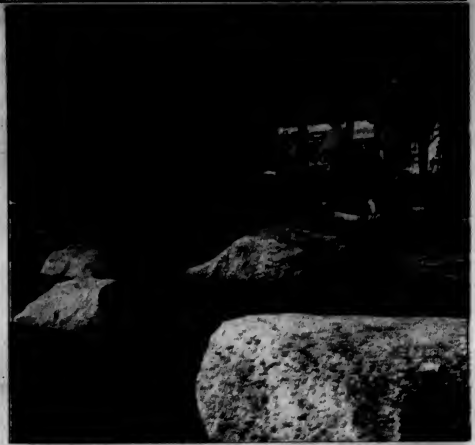
Of similar notoriety in local circles, DiMillo's Floating Restaurant is a great place to enjoy Maine lobster

and Italian food. The converted car ferry allows for magnificent views of Casco Bay at night, a view difficult to find elsewhere.

A Portland staple, Becky's Diner, is a more practical eatery for college students. The diner is famous for inexpensive but hearty meals, especially breakfast. It is a great place to begin or end a day of shopping in the Old Port.

Whether starting the day at Becky's Diner or watching the sunset with a cup of coffee at Breaking New Ground, visitors to Portland's Old Port will enjoy the versatility of this Maine hotspot.

Encompassing the beauty of the sea and the individuality of locally owned shops, the Old Port may not have the "anything" found in Walmart, but it does have "anything" fun, unique, and imaginative.



Emily Gabranski for The Bowdoin Orient

"It is difficult to imagine a nicer place to sit...than a park bench in Old Port."



Emily Gabranski for The Bowdoin Orient

Bliss, a clothing boutique in Old Portland, has a unique selection of garments.



Professor Levine of the History Department recently observed that the College seemed to be "returning to the 1950s." There is a good deal of evidence to support such an appraisal:

- 1) Fraternities of the more conservative, traditional, animal sort seem to be flourishing...
- 2) Because the College believes itself to be in a financial bind it has adopted financial criteria for its Admission procedure. This year's freshman class is considerably richer, and possibly more self-satisfied, than the last.
- 3) The Faculty, like the U.S. Supreme

Court, seems to be drifting to the Right. ... Right now the Faculty is considering whether or not to return to the old ABCDF grading system.

4) The most alarming sign of Bowdoin's imminent return to the 1950s is rumor that there will be a resurgence of ROTC on campus. Nothing, we would have thought, is more repugnant to the ideals of a "liberal education" than ROTC. The "Teachers of Military Science" over in Rhodes Hall are simply teaching their students how to kill most effectively...

ROTC has no place at Bowdoin.

## Amphetamines and booze can lead to hospital, jail

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Adderall, the dose may not be right for you. Those for whom Adderall is properly prescribed are monitored very carefully for the first few weeks.

If you're snorting Adderall, you will be at higher risk for untoward side effects. The potency and the speed of the onset of Adderall are both greatly increased when it's snorted rather than ingested and digested. The risk of dangerous respiratory problems, cardiac arrhythmias, and paranoid or psychotic reactions are all significantly greater.

Adderall, like the other stimulants used to treat ADD, does not have these "speed"-like effects on people with ADD. But like the other "controlled substances" on the Schedule II Drug list, Adderall does have a high propensity for misuse, abuse, and dependence. That's precisely why its prescription is controlled.

Taking someone else's prescription medication is never advisable. Taking someone else's Schedule II prescription medication is unsafe and illegal. Taking it for recreational purposes is doubly unsafe and very illegal. If caught, you can be arrested and

charged with possession of illegal drugs. What might begin as a security or police officer stopping you for "just" drinking could end with your arrest on possession charges if you're asked to empty your pockets, or if you're detained and searched, and you have someone

chemotherapy).

If you're looking for a way to party longer, C.L., mixing Adderall with alcohol is not the way to go. It's better to pace yourself, or drink slower, or alternate water or juice between drinks, or eat some food before and while drinking. Or better still, drink at a safe rate—one drink per hour—and up to a safe point, no more than four or five per night.

And finally, consider this: using Adderall to fight off the depressant effects of alcohol does not eliminate those effects, only masks them.

Your blood alcohol will still rise at the same rate and to the same levels whether you're "pre-medicated" or not, and very importantly, any and all toxic effects of the alcohol will still occur at the same rate. You just may not notice them as quickly or clearly. That, C.L., may be especially dangerous. Falling asleep or passing out from drinking may be your body's only way to stop you from

drinking more and getting yourself into really deep trouble.

Be well!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

else's Adderall.

Using one medication or substance to offset the side effects of another is not a good idea. It's something health care providers avoid unless there are compelling medical reasons (like nausea from

## DiGiusto: from student to professor of government

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Division of the Department of Justice (DOJ) in Washington, D.C. There, he dealt with international issues such as cooperation and agreements with international agencies.

After working for the DOJ in D.C., DiGiusto attended graduate school at Duke University where he received his master's degree in political science. He is still working on his doctorate. At Duke, his primary focus was international relations, but he did secondary studies in comparative politics.

"Bowdoin's liberal arts education...prepared me well" for Duke, DiGiusto said.

DiGiusto's main research project

at Duke focused on the creation of international economic institutions. He was able to draw on his experience at the Antitrust Department as he searched for an understanding of "when states are more likely to cooperate in international marketplaces."

Although he is currently finishing up his doctorate at Duke, DiGiusto felt that it was time to get a job. Bowdoin had a position open in the Department of Government and Legal Studies and he was happy to fill it.

According to DiGiusto, coming back to Bowdoin to teach, as opposed to another collegiate institution, helped make the transition from Duke easier because he already knows his way around and sees

familiar faces on campus. In fact, some of his former professors are now his colleagues.

While the atmosphere at Bowdoin seems the same, DiGiusto lists new buildings, the absence of fraternities, and the presence of phones and internet in student rooms as a few of the differences from when he attended as a student ten years ago.

DiGiusto's interests fall beyond the realm of academia. DiGiusto runs marathons and will run in the Marine Corps Marathon this month for the fourth time.

As a student here, DiGiusto admits he was caught "inside the Bowdoin bubble." Here as a professor, he plans to spend more time hiking and exploring Maine.

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## Subduing spirits in Smith



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Accomplished artist and Bowdoin alumnus Shaun Leonardo '01 returned to campus on October 2 to perform his piece, "El Conquistador vs. the Invisible Man," in Smith Union.

## Jarmusch's *Flowers* a portrait of modesty



by Gabe Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

Bill Murray returns as the master of moribund in Jim Jarmusch's latest effort, *Broken Flowers*. Murray plays the title role of Don Johnston, a successful but aging bachelor who's all wilted jowls and waning sexuality. After receiving an anonymous letter informing him that he may have a son from a long-gone fling, Don is pushed back into his past to search for the possibility of a fulfilling future.

So begins Jarmusch's minimalist riff on the classic road-trip saga. Instead of embarking on a journey of change and new horizons, Don, once a stellar ladies' man, actually relives the journeys he's already taken, one woman at a time. As he makes his way through the female landmarks of his past, the viewer begins to get a sense of who, behind the crust of indifference, Don really is.

As Don searches for the mother of his alleged son, his enigmatic appeal to the opposite sex begins to materialize. Neither particularly smooth in the typical sense, nor the epitome of a sleazy predator, Don's passivity seems to be his primary asset. His stares are never imposing, merely reflective. If nothing else, he gives the women in his life the space to be themselves.

This is a quality that Jarmusch does not force upon us; he instead shepherds our slow discovery and eventual appreciation of it. We can almost sense a twinge of sorrow in

Don's face as he lingers on the interiors of his ex's apartment, and not because he's missed out on the joys of family that shine from the wall-hung photos. Rather, the women he once knew seem no longer whole, no longer free in their middle-aged lives. Whether Don realizes it or not, he is dealing with the same lack of identity, perhaps one forged through a new kind of love for his still unidentified son.

As it is with most Jarmusch fare, it's tough to make heads or tails of *Flowers'* bevy of signs and dead ends. Conversations go nowhere, Don's investigation becomes hopelessly repetitive, and his natural denial of personal desire cause us to yearn for some spark of discovery. What's more, the viewer has a hard time distinguishing between Jarmusch's purposefully hushed realism and his befuddled, off-the-mark comedic screenplay. Either way, the film is small and slow, with an atmosphere that crawls softly at first, but braces its viewer firmly by the end.

It is no wonder that young indie directors like Jarmusch, Wes Anderson, and Sophia Coppola are so fond of Murray as a leading man. He projects emptiness like no other, providing a blank canvas for the inexplicable episodes of his films to adhere to. Here, the chaotic elements of the movie's plot evoke the psyche of its protagonist; Don does not know where he is going or why, he simply knows that he is going.

*Broken Flowers* succeeds in this sense as a modest portrait, casting

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## Cook to serve comedy at Colby

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Boston-born comedian Dane Cook, hot off the release of his latest two-disc album, *Retaliation*, will perform tonight at Colby College's Wadsworth Gymnasium, as part of his promotional "Tourgasm" tour.

*Retaliation* is Cook's second album, following the immensely popular *Harmful if Swallowed*, released in 2003. The newest album comprises two discs, titled *Want* and *Need*.

*Want* features the kind of random musings reminiscent of the *Harmful if Swallowed* material. As per usual, Cook seeks to expose the repressed bloodlust of his audience. While in the latter he admitted to laughing at news reports about people getting killed by flying tires or killer bees, Cook goes a step further in *Want* by boldly discussing how he always wanted to see somebody get hit by a car.

Cook also touches upon the com-

mon human desire to be remembered by others, though his proposed solution, while original, is highly perverse. "I saw a kid eating an ice cream cone," he says, "and I ran up to him and slammed the cone into his face and said 'You remember me forever!'" Cook goes on to suggest another strategy for being remembered: defecating

Walgreen's. In the second, he tells of a tense standoff with a Wendy's clerk over ketchup packets.

*Need* relies heavily on Cook's more vulgar source material. Its content is almost exclusively relationship-based, but it's not Paul Reiser-esque, "Oh, I left the toilet seat up" relationship humor. Cook is utterly explicit in his treatise on the modern relationship, unabashedly using himself and his own sexual escapades as a case study.

Some say that comedy is a subtle

and exact art. Dane Cook didn't get the memo. While many comedians rely on wit as precise as a scalpel and as dry as a fossil, Cook delivers his brand of ribald humor with loud, wet shotgun blasts. While some comics exude pathos, Cook comes off as the human id embodied.

Tickets for tonight's show are still available for \$25 at Colby's Cotter Union.

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on the pile of coats at a party.

The most noticeable difference between *Want* and *Harmful if Swallowed* is Cook's story-based material. Known primarily for his random observations and outrageous ruminations, Cook takes on a new method near the end of the *Want* album, where he relates two stories of confrontation.

In the first of these, Cook describes an altercation in which he gets a verbal death threat after cutting the line at

## Day Jobs full of energy, calories



Courtesy of Rachel Zack '08

The Day Jobs, featuring (left to right) Jamil Wyne '08 on lead guitar, Zach Tcheyan '08 on guitar and vocals, Jeff Friedlander '08 on bass, and Harry Schnur '08 on drums, at the hurricane relief benefit earlier this year.

by Leslie Bridgers  
CONTRIBUTOR

Rockin'. Sexy. Dangerous. These are the words that define The Day Jobs—or at least those are

the words they use to define themselves.

Before heading to Long Island for band bonding over Fall Break, sophomores Zach

Tcheyan, Harry Schnur, Jamil Wyne, and Jeff Friedlander took the time to sit down, talk about their music, and ruin their appetites with nothing less dangerous than pumpkin fudge.

"We all love to eat," Friedlander

said of him and his band mates. Though their specific tastes may not quite match (Schnur can't get enough of Moulton's Honolulu Tofu, while Tcheyan will "skip class for cheese steaks"), Friedlander insists

"We want to be twice as promoted as we are talented."

by its name, instead of the other way around. Connected by a love of music, Schnur and Tcheyan made fast friends on their Pre-Orientation trip. Before returning to campus, Schnur told Tcheyan, "If we start a band, we have to call it The Day Jobs."

Harry Schnur  
Drummer, The Day Jobs

The second semester of their freshman

year saw Schnur cast as the drummer, Tcheyan ready to fill the role of "front man with mystique," and

Wyne emerging as "a guitar-playing Oddly enough, the band was inspired

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## Southern brews and toxic booze

by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

**PACIFICO** (\$6.99 for a six-pack)  
Though brewed in Mexico, this beer is classified as an American-style Lager like PBR or Bud. The taste, however, is not nearly as bitter as its associates. Rather, it is sweet and almost fruity. Imagine what Corona would taste like if it were a dark, brown beer—funky enough to drink during Spring Break on the beach, but heavy enough for a night indoors and without the feeling that you're taking down liquid candy. Pacifico's composition goes wonderfully with Mexican food because it quells overstimulating spians.

Ian Hanley '07 loved this beer, exclaiming, "You think I could drink a case of this on the beach in La Jolla? 'Cause I just did."

The beer's weakest point is its label, which leaves much to be desired: it is a simple piece of paper impatiently glued to the brown bottle. Luckily, this did not

upset the drinking experience. I would definitely recommend this beer to anyone who needs a new brew for the beach or other hot weather activities. *My ratings: Taste: 3.9 Partyability: 3.8 Benefit/Cost: 3.0.*

**GENESSEE ICE** (\$1.49 for a 40-ounce)

I was drawn to this elixir when I saw that it was prominently displayed as the cheapest 40-ounce 7-11 had to offer. Being the thrill-seeker that I am, I picked up two. I got home and bragged to my friends about how cool I was for saving 85 cents on these massive American Lagers (brewed in upstate New York).

Figuring that drinking right out of the 40 would be the best way to appreciate the euphoric combination of malt and hops, I downed an enormous

gulp. Wow. Not only was this beer searing to the taste buds, it left an aftertaste akin to razor blades on my tongue. Like any other self-respecting beer drinker, I refused to let my friends know how it tasted. I described it as "unique" and "aggressive," pretending that I had imbibed a less abrasive beer than I actually had.

Even making a brass monkey out of this 40 was sub-par, which was essentially the nail in the coffin as to why it was the cheapest beer. When asked to comment, Greg McConnell, '07 peeped, "Real bad." The lesson is that if you are going to buy cheap, make sure you are prepared for the worst. I would happily spend an extra 50 cents to get a Bud Ice or similar beverage so as to make the experience much more pleasant. *My ratings: Taste: -5.0 Partyability: 1.0 Benefit/Cost: 2.0.*



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## Wines to fit your banquet budget

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNIST

As the autumn sets in, I begin to think of my favorite wine accompaniment: food. Something about the cool weather makes me want to cook large quantities of tomato sauce, or soup, or any number of rustic foods. Below are two fall-themed dishes that feature yummy wine, one for a shoestring budget and one for the more flush among us.

**BUDGET MEAL:** Pork escalope in red wine and cherry sauce. For some reason quite beyond me, pork is incredibly cheap; for a mere \$6, you can get enough pork to feed five hungry co-eds. Take the pork home, rinse it in cold water and place in a plastic bag. Add approximately a third of a bottle of red wine—anything lying around will do. Add about a half a tablespoon of good balsamic vinegar. Finally, add three good spoonfuls of American Spoon Foods sour cherry preserves. Any red fruit preserve will do, really

(raspberry is better than strawberry).

Now you have a choice: you may either leave the meat overnight to marinate or you may accelerate-marinate by kneading the meat through the plastic bag. Heat a pan (I prefer non-stick) medium hot and if necessary add a small amount of butter (don't use olive oil—it doesn't work with the fruit flavor of the pork). Sauté the pork about four minutes on each side. It's a bit difficult to tell when the meat is finished, because the marinade colors the pork purplish. A good barometer is the pork's texture: it should be resistant but

slightly elastic. We served the pork with roasted potatoes and steamed string beans.

With the meal we drank Affentaler Spätburgunder Rotwein from Baden Baden. This is a German red wine that is most easily compared to a pinot noir even though the color is more cranberry juice than pinot. The name of this wine may be familiar to those of you who dine at Richard's as they serve it there. The only place to buy it for your own is The Black Sheep and is very well worth it at

\$13.98 a bottle.

**BREAK-THE-BANK MEAL:** Champagne risotto with scallops or shrimp. This recipe can be quite economical if you are only making enough for two people, but it requires a second bottle of champagne if you cook for four. Use your favorite basic risotto recipe (I used the one on my box of rice, but any will do), substituting two cups of a very dry champagne or any sparkling white wine (I used

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## Upcoming Events...

### ~JOHN LEGEND & ESTHRO

Where: The State Theater, 609 Congress St., Portland.

When: October 23 at 7 p.m.

Tickets: \$24.50 in advance, \$26.50 day of show. Available at the Cumberland County Civic Center, by phone at (207) 775-3331, or online at [www.liveatthestate.com](http://www.liveatthestate.com).

### ~THE SLIP & TARANTULA AD

Where: The Big Easy, 55 Market St., Portland.

When: October 29 at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$12 at Bull Moose, \$15 at The Big Easy night of show.

### ~GOVERNMENT MULE

Where: The State Theater, 609 Congress St., Portland.

When: November 29 at 7 p.m.

Tickets: \$23.50 in advance, \$25.50 day of show. Available at the Cumberland County Civic Center, by phone at (207) 775-3331, or online at [www.liveatthestate.com](http://www.liveatthestate.com).

## DJS OF THE WEEK



Dan Wilson



Ely Delman



Phil Friedrich

### What is the best song ever made?

DW: I'm a huge fan of "Whole Lotta Love" by Led Zeppelin. After that, "Some Skunk Funk" by the Brecker Brothers, or "Squid Cakes" by Tower of Power.

ED: "Little Wing" by Jimi Hendrix, or "Blue in Green" by Miles Davis, or "If You Want Me To Stay" by Sly and the Family Stone. They all are masterpieces.

PF: "It Makes No Difference," off of *The Last Waltz*, by The Band.

### Who is the greatest living musician?

DW: The bass player in my band, Second Breakfast. His name is Dave 'Quizzo' Cordes, and he takes my breath away.

ED: Prince, fo' sho'.

PF: The most peaceful soul on earth: Garth Hudson (of The Band fame) and his slanted synth.

### What was the first album you ever bought?

DW: I don't really remember to be honest, but I'm going to go ahead and say the Red Hot Chili Peppers' *Blood Sugar Sex Magik*.

ED: Guns 'N' Roses' *Use Your*

### Illusion 2. I got it on tape in first grade.

PF: Tag Team's "Whoop there it is," the uncensored version.

If you were dictator of a small country, what would your national anthem be?

DW: I am the dictator of a small country and our national anthem is "Frankenstein" by the Edgar Winter Group. It's tough because it's an instrumental, so we have to skate it.

ED: "Groovallegiance" by Funkadelic.

PF: A twenty minute version of "Shakedown Street," circa '78.

If you were on stage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?

DW: "Hey, hey momma said the way you move, gonna make you sweat, gonna make you groove..."

ED: "Jerry lives."

PF: "We can't stop here, the funk is too deep."

Wilson, Delman and Friedrich can be heard on "Raiders of the Lost Groove," 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday nights on WBOR 91.1 FM.

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## Broken Flowers an understated success

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the shadows of Don's past over his grayed, grizzled mug. Jarmusch films Murray lovingly, and we as viewers are so aware of the lifeless topography of his face that, in the movie's understated climax, a glimmer of need and hope is all we need for a glorious release. Jarmusch means to imply that Don may never change, but he gives us our moment anyway, only to prove that such a discovery is always fleeting.

## Wines for feasts of financial flexibility

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a really cheap bottle of prosecco) at room temperature for two cups of whatever broth you're using (I suggest using low-fat chicken stock).

Enlist your dinner guests to help with stirring (you really do need to stir risotto all the time and make sure your pot is nice and thick). While you're cooking, feel free to finish the bottle of champagne, especially if you have another one for the meal. While your dinner partner is stirring away, sauté either your scallops or shrimp (I buy whatever is cheaper at the time), or

if you don't eat fish, you could use good mushrooms or asparagus in a little bit of olive oil. When the risotto is almost finished, add your scallops or substitute and stir well.

Finish the cooking process by adding about one cup of freshly grated parmesan cheese. It complimented the bottle of Gruet brut very well. Gruet is a sparkling white made in the "Méthode Champenoise" in New Mexico of all places. It competes with many of the old world bubbly I've had and is pleasantly dry and light in taste. It is available at the Black Sheep for \$14.98.

## Bowdoin students like their Day Jobs

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grizzly bear." All they needed to make their lofty pre-o-dream a reality was a bassist.

Meanwhile, Friedlander had been busy establishing himself as a "jam slut," offering his bass-playing services to several Bowdoin bands. After what he thought was just another guest session with The Day Jobs, Friedlander was informed that his days of musical promiscuity were over; it was time to settle down.

The foursome spent the rest of the semester combining their mellow offstage personas with high energy

performances to hone a unique brand of "deep-space passion-rock." Fellow sophomores Steve Kolowich and Wellesley Wilson helped fill out the band's sound by contributing with keyboard and vocals, respectively.

The Day Jobs cover songs by the Velvet Underground, The Rolling Stones, The Clash, The Pixies, and Blondie. Last June, they spent time at a recording studio in Cleveland. With the help of a technician who was "constantly cracked-out on Red Bull," they produced a six-track EP, which includes four original songs.

Over the past two years, the band has performed for Common Good Day, Quinby House Tsunami Relief, Quinby Katrina Relief, and Ladd Rugby Relief, better known as Epicuria. The Day Jobs are currently working on learning new material for a pub gig in November.

During previous performances, the band has been surprised to observe "an abnormal amount of people making out." Tcheyan explains that after one concert at Quinby he was trying to search for his stolen guitar but couldn't get through the mass of kissing couples. Admittedly, he said, "We had just played a fairly sexual set. Actually, I think we played a song called 'Worked Up So Sexual'."

Unfortunately for these musicians, their sensual sound has not yet yielded them any direct benefits.

"I've signed more body parts singing with the Meddies," Friedlander confessed.

Though there may not be gaggles of female groupies at every show, The Day Jobs are more than grateful for their fan base.

"They always come and are always dancing, which is awesome for us," Tcheyan said of their loyal following of friends.

The Day Jobs are extremely appreciative of the energy their audience gives them. Schnur points to his roommate Tcheyan, "especially because this kid always wants to take his shirt off." But these fans have even gone beyond a spirited stage-hugging presence and an unwavering tolerance for Tcheyan's bare chest.

The band has a Facebook group called "The Day Jobs' Official Backstage Betties," created by their manager, Zach Roberts. The group has 24 members and nearly 150 groupies.

It is undeniable that The Day Jobs have broken out at Bowdoin, but their aspirations go far beyond Brunswick.

"We're going to be rock stars. We're going to be the best band in the world," Friedlander said.

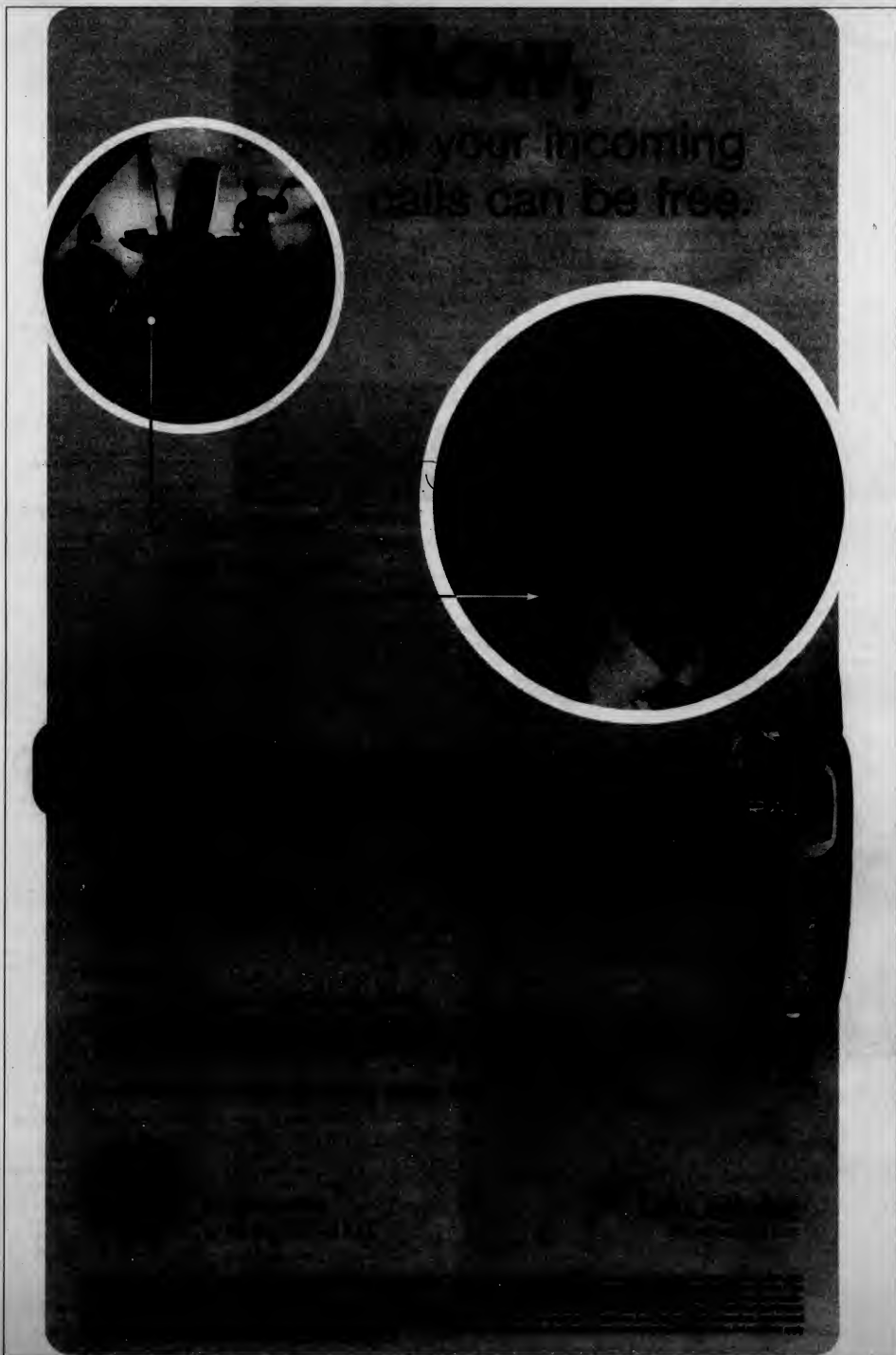
Though the confidence of The Day Jobs may seem unfounded for such a young band, they have a full-proof plan for their global music domination: "gross over-promotion," Schnur said.

"We want to be twice as promoted as we are talented," added Tcheyan, and then, in a rare statement for any band, The Day Jobs insist that "It's not about the music."

So, what is it about these four hard-rocking, food-loving sophomores?

According to them, it's about Big Top and Beast Ice. It's about dreams of opening for professor band Racer X or jamming with Dallas Denery. It's about The Faint, and it's about Izze. It's about road trips and Ramadan. It's about surfing, and it's about shout outs to New Jersey band Ash and Elm.

All in all, for The Day Jobs it's about danger, and it's about fudge.





# SPORTS

## Football off to best start since 1917

by Chris Bucci  
CONTRIBUTOR

Bowdoin football avenged last year's double-overtime loss to Amherst with an unexpected 16-13 victory. A week later, the Polar Bears defeated Tufts, making this year's team the first to go 4-0 since 1917.

The Amherst announcers said in their pre-game show, "Even after a first week win the Polar Bears should still be a heavy underdog against the Jeffs. They are a perennial doormat and have their work cut out for them against a strong Amherst squad."

The announcer couldn't have been more wrong. The Bears came out flying and stunned the Jeffs in the first half. The defense dominated, causing seven turnovers. Dave Donahue '07 was the star of the game after taking an interception 65 yards for a touchdown and recovering a fumble he forced on the Polar Bear one yard line. His three takeaways and 17 tackles earned Donahue NESCAC Defensive Player of the Week honors.

Quarterback Ricky Leclerc '06 hit tight end Jared Prichard '06 from two yards out to score in the second quarter. Leclerc commented on Prichard's presence on the field, "He makes things a lot easier for us in the red zone. The defense really has to respect his size. When they don't, it's a touchdown."

The scoring was topped off by kicker Nolan McNair '08 with a 42-yard field goal. The Polar Bears then held on for a 16-13 lead as they con-



Senior quarterback Rick Leclerc passes the ball in practice. The football team boasts an undefeated 4-0 record.

tinued to force Amherst turnovers in the second half. Steve Curwen '06 and Mike Vitousek '06 overcame a Amherst drive late in the game to protect Bowdoin's lead.

In the Amherst postgame show the commentators were quick to change their tune, saying that the Polar Bears

"just wanted it more today. They proved that they can compete at the elite level in the NESCAC."

The following weekend the Polar Bears rolled onto the Tufts campus, intent to preserve its record. Bowdoin started off the scoring in the second quarter when Leclerc

went deep for a 43-yard touchdown pass to Jeff Nolin '06.

McNair kicked the game-winning field goal from 42 yards out. The Polar Bear defense continued its dominance in the air by knocking

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### WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

Men's Soccer at Tufts vs. Wheaton	4-0 W 1-1 T
Women's Soccer at Tufts	0-3 L
Field Hockey at Tufts at Bates	4-1 W 3-0 W
Women's Cross Country Westfield State Invitational	1st of 20
Men's Cross Country Westfield State Invitational	1st of 23
Football at Tufts	10-8 W
Men's Rugby vs. U-Maine Opus	15-15 T
Women's Tennis vs. Wheaton	9-0 W
Women's Volleyball at Connecticut College vs. Wesleyan (at Conn Coll) at Endicott	3-1 L 3-1 L 3-1 L

## Undefeated field hockey ranked eighth in nation



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

First year Kristen Veiga and sophomore Hillary Hoffman warm up with the rest of the field hockey team.

by Burgess LePage  
CONTRIBUTOR

After four consecutive away games, the Bowdoin Field Hockey Team is ready for the long-awaited Homecoming match. Returning to Ryan Field with a 9-0 record, the Polar Bears will play Connecticut College this weekend.

The only undefeated team in the NESCAC, the Bears are currently ranked eighth in the nation for Division III, leading the NESCAC in scoring, averaging 2.77 goals per game. It is also the top defensive squad in the league, allowing only 0.58 goals per game. Kate Leonard '07, the team's goalie, leads the conference in goals-against-average (0.61). Beyond the statistics, the Bears have fought some close battles against Amherst, Middlebury, Tufts, and Bates, all very strong teams.

Bowdoin spent the weekend away playing Amherst and Middlebury. At Amherst, the game was played on grass, a surface that is slowly disappearing from NESCAC schools, including Bowdoin, because of the advantages of turf. No goals were scored in the first half of the game. It

was not until the second half when goals made by Burgess LePage '07 and Lindsay McNamara '09 within eight minutes of each other left the Lord Jeffs empty handed. McNamara leads the team and the conference in goals with a total of eight.

Bowdoin's pivotal game of the season was played the next day at Middlebury. Middlebury had been on an 18-game NESCAC winning streak before they came up against Bowdoin. The Panthers took an early lead after scoring in the second half, but less than two minutes later, Christi Gannon '06 scored on a penalty corner with a terrific shot to bring the game to 1-1, where the score remained throughout the rest of regular time.

The game moved into overtime, a situation Bowdoin and Middlebury have been used to finding themselves in, where the scored remained tied throughout the first overtime. Bowdoin dominated the first overtime session, proving their strength and speed. Confident based on this showing, the Bears ended the game only 1:40 into the second overtime with a

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## Women's XC races through bad weather



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Courtney Eustace trains for the women's cross country team.

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The Polar Bears ran through heavy rains and mud at the ninth Annual James Early Invitational in Westfield, Massachusetts. But the bad weather did not stop the team. The women met the extra challenge and won the race.

"We're a better team in bad weather. I hope the weather is bad for the rest of our races," said Coach Peter

Slovenski of the team's performance. Junior co-captain Jamie Knight agreed with Slovenski.

"People who spend their time running around in Maine don't worry about rain or mud. We didn't let the bad weather faze us. On the starting line, our women were focused on what they could do in those conditions, while the rest of the teams were worried about what they couldn't do that day," she said. Bowdoin first year Courtney Martin led the women to the finish, taking second overall with a personal best of 18:55.

Courtney Eustace '08 followed Martin to the finish to take third place in the meet.

"Eustace had an outstanding race. She did a lot of hard work this summer, and it was great to see her run so well Saturday," said Slovenski.

Rounding out the top ten finishers overall were Bowdoin's third and fourth runners, Kristen Brownell '07 and Laura Onderko '08. Just one second apart, the pair captured ninth and tenth places, respectively.

Continuing Bowdoin's charge to the finish were sophomore Amy Ahearn, who captured 15th with a personal best of 19:48, and junior Alex Knapp. Knapp had a personal best, breaking 20 minutes for the first time, with 19:52 for 18th place. Just 11 seconds later, Lindsey Schnickner '09 finished 23rd.

Sprinting to the finish, sophomore Sarah Podmaniczky grabbed 31st in 20:22. Knight and senior Jill Schweitzer finished the Bowdoin line-up taking 44th in 20:41 and 92nd in 21:57 respectively.

The women continue to train hard, looking ahead to this Saturday's meet, where they will face their NESCAC rivals, Bates and Colby, at the Maine State meet at Colby.

## Men's XC takes first at invitational

by Scot McFarlane  
CONTRIBUTOR

After taking first place out of six teams at the University of Maine-Farmington Invitational two weeks ago, the Bowdoin Men's Cross Country Team once again claimed the top spot at the Westfield State Invitational, returning home with an apple pie as a prize.

With the return of two varsity runners, Tyler Lonsdale '08 and Quentin Reeve '07, the UMF Invitational demonstrated the team's depth.

Lonsdale was injured during last year's season, but he gave a stunning comeback performance, taking second overall in the race with Reeve behind him in fifth. Senior co-captain Ben Martens captured first place for the team.

The Westfield State race was marked by strong sophomore performances. Sophomores John Hall, Lonsdale, and Nate Krah won second through fourth place overall. The team's success has depended upon its endurance and ability to stick together during a race.

Senior co-captain Andrew Combs also raced in Massachusetts last weekend at the New England Collegiate Cross Country Championships, held at Franklin Park in Boston. Competing against many Division I runners, Combs took 85th place.

The team is preparing to challenge rivals Colby and Bates at the Maine State Meet at the steep and slippery Colby course this Saturday. The Polar Bears narrowly defeated Colby in a victory too close for comfort.

## Frisbee captures Division II Regional Tournament

Team wins five of six matches in Division II Regional Tournament

by Nikolai Von Keller  
and Dan Yingst  
CONTRIBUTORS

This past weekend, the Bowdoin College Ultimate Team won the Division II Regional Tournament, taking first out of the ten teams that were qualified to participate.

The team's victory last weekend was at the highest possible level of competition, because there are no Division II Nationals.

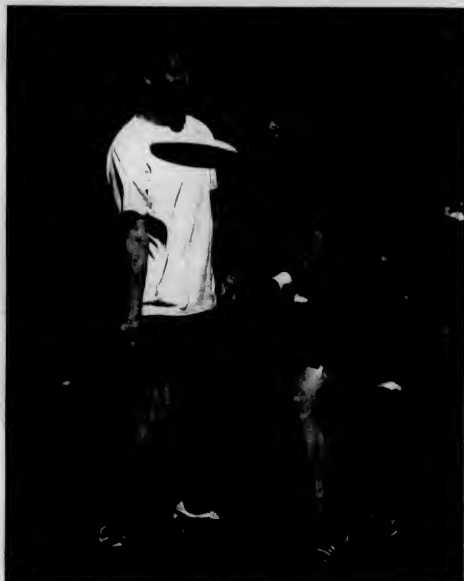
The frisbee team's unexpected regional championship victory concludes an incredible run, which rose from the tenth seed at Eastern New England Sectionals to capture the title of "Best Team in New England," making Bowdoin one of the top six Division II teams in the country.

The team faced tremendous obstacles on the first day of the tournament, both from perennial tough competitors and the torrential rain that drenched the players and their energetic sideline throughout the day. Several key players from the team were unable to attend the tournament.

The team emerged from pool play with just one loss, soundly beating teams from Vassar and Middlebury. It lost a close 10-13 game in the opener to an experienced Drunken Clams club team.

Bowdoin's 3-1 record on the first day earned it a spot in the championship bracket as the second seed from its pool.

On the second day Bowdoin overpowered the Yale squad 15-5 to earn a place in the semifinals. In the semifinals, the team faced Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, a



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The frisbee team finished its season with a first-place finish at the Division II Regional Tournament, held at Bowdoin last weekend.

club team, which Bowdoin had struggled to defeat at sectionals two weeks earlier.

RPI put up a tremendous fight, but Bowdoin gained the lead early on and refused to be caught. Thanks to its unparalleled defense, Bowdoin staved off a late RPI rally and took the victory 15-13.

Finally the team faced a New Hampshire club team in the finals—the same team that defeated Bowdoin in the finals of Sectionals.

Bowdoin overcame its exhaustion from the previous hard battle against RPI to crush the club team 15-5 with strong offensive and defensive efforts.

Throughout the tournament Bowdoin was expertly led by co-captains Mark Krempley '06 and Henry Work '06, and Matt Murchison '07.

Other star performers included seniors John Gronberg and Michael LoBiondo, both of whom demonstrated remarkable dedication and skill.

## Saturday Homecoming Athletics Schedule

Alumni/Faculty/Staff/Student  
Squash Round Robin, 9 a.m.

Men's Basketball Alumni Tailgate Party, 11:30 a.m.

Football vs. Hamilton, 12 p.m.

Women's Rugby vs. U>Maine Orono, 1 p.m.

Rededication of the Magee Track, 1 p.m.

Men's Soccer vs. Conn. College, 2:30 p.m.

Women's Soccer vs. Conn. College, 2:30 p.m.

Field Hockey vs. Conn. College, 2:30 p.m.

Women's Volleyball Alumnae Game, 3:30 p.m.



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# Athlete Profile: Margaret Gormley



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Senior co-captain Margaret Gormley moves the ball away from a Williams forward. Gormley has been a reliable defender for four years.

Anna Messerly  
CONTRIBUTOR

Success in an athletic competition is often attributed to those players whose hard work shows on the scorecard: the forwards, who score goals, and the goalies, who save them. It is easy to overlook defenders on a team that has not only outscored its opponents 27-5 this season, but has a goalie who leads the league with the least number of goals allowed per game.

But in field hockey, the defensive squad plays a vital role in the success of its team. That's where senior co-captain Margaret Gormley comes in.

"Margaret has been the backbone of our defense for the past two years, and we all have so much confidence knowing she's there to support us," said senior co-captain Christi Gannon.

This confidence has led the team to success this season. The Bowdoin Women's Field Hockey has had its best start in 13 years, boasting the only undefeated record in the conference.

In addition to confidence, Gormley has experience on her side. She first picked up a field hockey stick 12 years ago in Brookline, Massachusetts. She has been playing competitively since sixth grade.

She moved on to play for Noble and Greenough School, where she gained three years of varsity experience and earned All-Independent School League honors for two of those years.

This experience was excellent preparation for Gormley, who has

matured into a reliable player and leader on the field.

"We often ask her to mark our opponents' best offensive player," says coach Nicky Pearson, who has coached Gormley throughout her Bowdoin career. "She is a terrific captain because she works incredibly hard and is a very determined player."

Gormley credits much of her success to Pearson's ability. "[Pearson] has instilled a confidence in my playing ability that I did not have before playing for her," Gormley said.

Gormley also believes the support and talent of her team has allowed her to be the best player possible. "Being alongside all the members of my team inspires me to perform to the best of my ability," she said.

That inspiration and contagious drive goes both ways. "Margaret, as well as our other captains, exemplifies the Polar Bear spirit and conveys team traditions better than anyone I know," noted Emileigh Mercer '09.

So far this season, Gormley has led her defensive squad to success. The team is both the top defensive and offensive team in the conference. In the match against Williams, which went into sudden-death penalty strokes, Gormley scored a key goal to give Bowdoin a lead.

Gormley has proved worthy of recognition, earning All-NESCAC and All-New England honors.

"Her drive and her spirit give her such a huge presence out on the field. Every game she shows up to win," Gannon said.

After the game Leclerc said, "The offense didn't execute very well, but we're leaving here with a big positive. We have a defense that can flat out win games for us."

After three weeks the Polar Bears sit on top of the NESCAC with a 4-0 league record. The team has showed its composure by winning all three close games. After the offense picked up the team with



## Sport Shorts

### Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team boasted a 7-2-0 record after Wednesday's tie game against Wheaton at home. After a scoreless first half, sophomore Nick Figueiredo scored on a breakaway, giving Bowdoin the lead. The Lyons tied the score with 15 minutes remaining. Neither team could find the net in the two overtime periods. The Polar Bears are ranked fourth in the latest New England poll. They will face Connecticut College on Saturday.

### Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team will look to reverse its luck in Saturday's home match against Connecticut College. The team has not had a win in its last three

matches. The Polar Bears lost to seventh ranked Tufts in last weekend's away match.

### Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team defeated Wheaton College 9-0 in its last dual match of the fall season. The team will travel to Amherst College to compete at the NEWITT tournament. The Polar Bears stand at 2-2.

### Men's Rugby

The men's rugby team played its first home game of the season last weekend, tying UMaine-Orono. Bowdoin goes into its final match of the season against Colby with a 3-0-1 record. The Polar Bears will face the Mules tomorrow at 10 a.m.

### Women's Volleyball

The volleyball team posted a 10-10 record after losing to Endicott College in a non-conference match. The team won only two of its past nine matches. The Polar Bears defeated UMass-Dartmouth and Worcester State at the Bates Invitational. The team faces Bates today in a home match.

### Rowing

The Bowdoin Rowing Team competed in the Textile River Regatta on Merrimack River in Lowell, Massachusetts on October 2. The team returned from the regatta with three silver medals and two bronze medals.

-Compiled by Anna Karass.

## Tennis finishes season strong

by Nick Day  
CONTRIBUTOR

out there," he said afterwards.

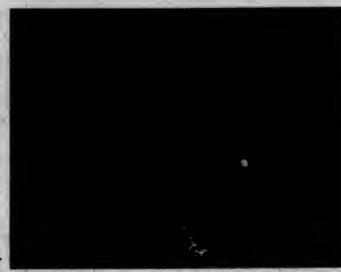
In the C flight, Armin Drake '08 and Blake Wheale '09 cruised through their first round opponents, defeating them 6-1, 6-2, and 6-3, 6-1, respectively. Drake ran into some difficulty in his second round match, falling to Vinh Tran of Tufts in straight sets.

Wheale, however, overwhelmed his second round opponent, defeating him 6-1, 6-3. "Those first couple of matches of the tournament were great, because my game seemed to just come together," Wheale said.

On Sunday, Wheale lost to Jon Godsall of Amherst, the eventual champion of the C flight. "It was a tough match, no doubt about it. But I came away learning a lot about how I should play people like that."

In the D flight singles, first year Nick Day lost to Geof Loh of Tufts, 6-4, 6-3. Assistant Coach Joyner commented afterwards, "Nick gave Loh a tough match, but needs more match experience against good opponents."

Andrew Fried '08, the other



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

First year Nick Day lunges to hit a backhand.

Bowdoin player in the D flight, had two incredible days of tennis at the Invitational.

Joyner commented on Fried's success. "The most impressive play came from sophomore Andrew Fried, who made the finals of the D flight as well as the semifinals of the A flight doubles," he said.

Fried crushed opponents from Colby and Amherst on his way to the finals. In the finals, he met Colby's Tom Gildersleeve. The two split sets, and Fried lost in a close tie-breaker.

In doubles, Fried teamed with Gates to win their first two matches before falling to the number one seed and eventual tournament champions in a close 8-6 match.

## Field hockey looks to preserve undefeated record

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goal from Taryn King '07, assisted by Gal Young '08.

Thrilled by this victory, Bowdoin has continued to play with increasing intensity and has concentrated each

game on refining its skills and teamwork. The team swept past Tufts, 4-1, with goals from King and McNamara and assists from Margaret Gormley '06 and Hillary Hoffman '08. The Bears dominated Bates with a 3-0 win on Wednesday with goals from

Gormley, Gannon, and McNamara, all scored off penalty corners.

This weekend, Bowdoin will face the Connecticut College Camels, a team which is looking strong this year. The game will be played at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday at Ryan Field.

## Football victorious over Amherst and Tufts to continue undefeated season

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down the Jumbo two-point conversion attempt to save the game.

There were exciting plays throughout from both sides. Cornerback Brendan Murphy '07 lined up the scrambling Tufts quarterback and flipped him over. After the hit Murphy popped up to deliver his signature Marine salute.

After the game Leclerc said, "The offense didn't execute very well, but we're leaving here with a big positive. We have a defense that can flat out win games for us."

After three weeks the Polar Bears sit on top of the NESCAC with a 4-0 league record. The team has showed its composure by winning all three close games. After the offense picked up the team with

of an effect on the team. The Polar Bears have ignored the praise of the past few weeks just as they've ignored the criticism over the past few years.

This Saturday the Bears face Hamilton in their Homecoming match. Leclerc is optimistic about this weekend's game.

"I think we match up well offensively with Hamilton because we

know they don't have any athletes that can run with Jeff Nolin and Scott Brisson '06," he said.

Tight end Mike Hickey '06 agrees with Leclerc. "This is a huge opportunity to break out with some big offensive numbers against a team that can't match up with us. At the same time, the defense is at their finest and poised to have a huge day," he said.

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## Re-evaluating evaluations

There is something inherently unfortunate about end-of-the-semester evaluations: they are at the end of the semester. Students will soon be off to other corners of campus, taking different courses with different professors. It doesn't have to be this way.

Students should be given an opportunity to evaluate their courses midway through the semester, and now is the perfect time for the College to adopt such a policy.

Blackboard, the recently-implemented online classroom system, allows administrators to post electronic surveys. It would be advantageous for the College—which has positioned academics as its top priority—to use this system for anonymous mid-semester evaluations.

While the numerical rating method used at the end of the semester might not be appropriate for such a system, an open-ended opportunity to provide written feedback about course content and teaching styles could be useful to students, faculty, and departments.

Students would certainly benefit from the ability to provide thoughtful comments about what is working and what is not working. And faculty—many of whom came to Bowdoin because teaching is their passion—would have the opportunity for self-improvement. Suggestions could range from speeding up or slowing down lectures to restructuring course content.

We realize that there will be students who will be harshly critical of any instructor, and we understand that some professors are exceedingly hesitant to change their ways. Yet this does not mean that this concept could not work for those who believe in a healthy dialogue between teacher and student.

The system would not be unprecedented—some Bowdoin faculty have informally offered such evaluations and several other colleges actively encourage their faculty to distribute these surveys.

Though the plan could be implemented by the College quickly, we expect that faculty and administrators would prefer to carefully deliberate and debate before taking action. Therefore, individual faculty members should consider distributing such surveys to their classes in the meantime. Such positive action would further the academic mission of the College and would help professors meet their responsibility to facilitate student learning.

*The editorial represents the majority view of The Bowdoin Orient's editorial board. The editorial board consists of the editors-in-chief and the managing editor.*

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Flowers add a lovely touch

To the Editors:

I wanted to take a minute to compliment the people of grounds and facilities on the beautiful flowers recently planted outside of the library. Fall is my favorite season at Bowdoin, and it's sad to think that this will be my last one spent here. Thank you for making it that much more lovely and (almost) bearable to return from fall break to the library.

Sincerely,

Becky Sargent '06

### Editorial on BSG's role is commendable

To the Editors:

While perusing the Bowdoin web site recently, I happened across the Orient editorial regarding the Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) and the Maine ballot question on sexual orientation ("Stick to your mandate, BSG"). I wish to applaud the Orient editorial board for its wisdom in opposing this proposed statement. The editorial identifies all of the essential objections several of my colleagues and I attempted to raise during the Iraq debate in the spring of 2003. Your predecessors at the Orient were rather less sympathetic to these arguments (see "BSG should reorientize," February 28, 2003), but it is heartening to see that the current editorial board recognizes their validity.

I hope President McKesson reconsiders his plans to address such outside issues and instead focuses his attention on the "comparatively mundane issues

of campus life" (as the 2003 editorial phrased them) that fall more clearly within student government's mandate and on which they can be more effective.

Sincerely,

Edward G. MacKenzie '03  
Former BSG Vice President for  
Student Government Affairs  
Methuen, Massachusetts

### No progress made by two-party politics

To the Editors:

Whenever politics has arisen as a subject of introduction, I have only been left with two options: am I a Republican or Democrat? In his article on the state of party politics, Evan McLaren is right in pointing out the similarities of the Democrats and Republicans; they lead to the same ends. The inane bipartisan arguments seem to eclipse any meaningful or constructive political discussion.

There are countless other parties like the Green Party or the Libertarian Party that offer something to stand for, whether the party is actually for taking steps to protect the environment or truly believes in personal freedom.

Throughout America's history, centers of higher education have often been the greatest forces for radical change. Think of the Berkeley University of the 60s or even Uncle Tom's Cabin written on our campus.

Some may consider the lack of political radicalism and/or idealism as a good thing; that to simply be a Democrat or Republican is a realistic and effective way to stand for something. But as McLaren points out, what do these parties really stand for?

Bowdoin is an ideal place, and there is no reason for it to be without a discourse on strongly formed political ideas.

Sincerely,

Wallace McFarlane '09

### Headline and pull-quote misleading

To the Editors:

In your recent article about intellectual property rights and internet privacy, the text of the article places my comments in the correct context. However, the headline and my prominent quote below provide a very misleading context.

My statement that society has not adequately addressed the issue refers to privacy and not to intellectual property rights. On the contrary, our world is inundated by concerns and claims of property rights and huge efforts to deal with them. Moreover, you did not include my entire (short) statement, thereby creating an even greater chance of removing the correct context of my opinion. This subject is clearly not a very pressing issue relative to the current problems of the world, but it might have been. In these days of spin and rapid bullets of information that seem to preclude the need for audiences to actually read articles beyond titles, I hope that you can use more care in the placement and use of headlines so as to convey the author's intended meaning.

Sincerely,

Bruce Kohorn  
Professor of Biology

### EDITORS NOTE:

Please see related correction, page 2.

## 'Stalking' abounds at Bowdoin

### Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

We've all done it. Boy, girl, first year, senior, every single one of us has, at some point in our lives, stalked an object of our affection. I use the word "stalk" in this article to describe all the things we do as a result of our innate and uncontrollable desire to be near someone we really, really like. Whether it is in the library or at a meal, online, or in the union, we have all stalled or dawdled, double-clicked or feigned interest in the latest piece of useless campus-wide mail in order to merely catch a glimpse of our crush.

Bowdoin is an environment that is extremely conducive to "stalking." We are a small, close-knit community where everybody knows your name. And your face. And who you like and who likes you and who you liked very publicly outside Harpwell Apartments at 1 a.m. last Saturday night.

We all eat in the same dining halls, we all party at the same off-campus houses, we all waste several hours a day on the same instant messaging service in the privacy of our dorm rooms. We are so incredibly close, that it is even easier to get closer.

Take the dining hall for instance. Thorne in particular is the perfect setting for a Bowdoin stalker. A wide open area filled with long tables provides an

optimal line of sight from almost any angle. Sit on the side facing the kitchen, and you can see every single person that walks in and then awkwardly stands just inside the doors looking for friends to sit with.

One friend of mine goes so far as to make up excuses to follow her crush in to the kitchen whenever she sees him get up from his table for his second round of cardio-lunging. She returns to the table with a spoon she won't use or a grapefruit half she won't eat just because she wants to be in the same room as his dashing smile, post-practice glow, and second helping of Mexican lasagna.

The library presents similar opportunities to catch a glimpse of your crush. Sit anywhere on the first floor between the hours of 7 p.m. and midnight and I guarantee you will notice somebody, most likely somebody you know, stalking the crap out of a poor, unsuspecting soul. Stalking methods in the library range from conveniently "needing" to check your email the second you see Miss Soccer Captain sit down to retrieve an e-reserve, to deciding to finish your government reading in the armchair that just happens to be in the direct line of sight of Mr. Class Vice President. Library stalking is perhaps the most effective crush-watching method for the sole reason that while not everybody eats in the dining hall, every single person on this campus, professors included (not that I'm suggesting anything here), has to use the library at some point.

Stalking in the union is much the

same. Some of my friends freely admit to checking their email for the seventh time in an hour or purchasing highly unnecessary bags of sour peaches at the express just to kill time while their crush retrieves a package. And who among us hasn't been guilty of glancing casually into the gym just to see who's lifting weights or sweating it out on the elliptical?

Of course, we come now to the most private and potentially dangerous of all stalking venues: cyberspace. The "idle" feature on instant messenger allows you to keep constant tabs on your crush, and Facebook's screen name question has eliminated the need to ask around for Mr. Senior Rugby Player's online identity. My only caution here would be against keeping his or her screen name on your buddy list permanently if you are prone to clicking on random links in profiles or away messages. Beyond the "IM tracker" features that has been my own personal downfall, some of those links are viruses that send out IMs to every person on your buddy list. If Miss Senior Interviewer doesn't know you have her screen name, you could be in for a world of awkwardness.

Yes, Bowdoin is a great environment to keep tabs on the object of your affection, but let me be clear on one thing: "stalking" someone is fine, but if you finally work up the courage to say hello to Mr. Football Player and it turns out he's just not that into you, cut your losses and walk away. Nobody likes a real stalker. That's just creepy. Trust me, I've been that girl. And nobody wants to be that girl.

# The Weekly Calendar

## October 14-20



Ivy on the west side of Hubbard Hall.

Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

### Friday

#### Common Hour

Stanley Crouch, author, columnist, and jazz critic, speaks on "Blues for Tomorrow."  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
12:30 p.m.

#### Film: Sin City

This thriller about crime and gangsters in Las Vegas follows the story of Marv, an outlaw trying to avenge the death of a prostitute whom he loves.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### Homecoming Bonfire

Polar Bear Statue, 10 p.m.

### Saturday

#### Film: Sin City

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### "Dance, Act, Live Your Dream"

Professional dance instructor Pooja Narang leads an introductory Bollywood dance class.  
Room 601, Memorial Hall, 1-3 p.m.

#### Homecoming!

Sporting events throughout the day. See sports schedule, page 13.

### Sunday

#### Strides Against Breast Cancer

Walk with many other local citizens to raise awareness and funds for the American Cancer Society's effort against breast cancer.  
Town Mall, Brunswick, 1 p.m.

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### Seeing Stars

Join Professor Kempner of the physics department as he lectures on astronomy and leads a session of star gazing.  
Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center,  
7 p.m.

#### Career Planning in Law

Pre-law students can ask questions to a panel of alumni from corporate, private and non-profit law firms.  
CPC Resource Room, Moulton Union,  
7-8 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Plan B

Dr. Susan Wood, formerly with the Bureau of Women's Health, speaks about the FDA's decision not to make the emergency contraception pill Plan B available over the counter.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### This Extraordinary Paradise

View an art exhibit depicting life in northwest Greenland. The museum will also show two rare archival films on Greenland.  
Peary-MacMillan Art Museum, 7-8 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Business Program Information Session

Heather Stinton from Tuck Business Bridge Program gives information on classes in accounting, finance, and managerial economics.  
Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union,  
7-8:30 p.m.

#### Central Africa Vision Photo Exhibit

View a display of Jules Fertig's photographs of Rwanda, Burundi, and Eastern Congo.  
Lamarque Gallery, Smith Union,  
9 a.m.-8 p.m.



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Kathryn

Katie, thank you  
wonderful friend  
We will

Photograph of Katie Scott by Hans Linn





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## Football tied for first in NESCAC

by Chris Bucci  
STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin football has a 4-0 record for the first time since 1938 following its 21-7 homecoming win against Hamilton. The Polar Bears are now tied for the top spot in NESCAC and the number two ranking in New England Division III.

Last week, the Orient misreported the team's current record and its historical context. (See correction, page 14.)

The battle for the best start in 67 years did not commence the way the Polar Bear faithful had predicted. After a 48-yard kickoff return, the Continentals only needed four plays to reach the end zone, taking a 7-0 lead. Soon after, however, senior quarterback Ricky Leclerc hit Jeff Nolin '06 with a 55-yard pass down the sideline to tie the game, 7-7.

Late in the second half, Lamont White '08 shook his way down the Bowdoin sideline, then cut back to the middle of the field where he encountered blockers out in front. Brendan Murphy '07 had his hand up waving for White to follow him. Behind Murphy's block, White finished off his 75-yard run into the end zone. When asked about the return, White said, "The game slowed down for me when I was running down



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Tailback Jeff Smith '08 sidesteps over a Hamilton player during last Saturday's homecoming game. The Polar Bears are now 4-0.

field. I thought I was out of room by the sideline, but I had blockers out in front."

"It was the best play I've seen at Bowdoin," Murphy said. "Our

defense was so excited to get out and block for him when he caught it that I knew he'd score."

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## Cornell du Houx '06 called to serve in Iraq

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

Alex Cornell du Houx '06 will have something more pressing than finals to worry about come December.

War.  
Cornell du Houx is scheduled to leave for active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps at the end of the year. He will spend three months training in the United States, and then he will be deployed to Iraq. Cornell du Houx, who withdrew from a Brunswick Town Council race because of the order, currently estimates that his service there will last seven months.

"I am not nervous whatsoever," Cornell du Houx said in an interview late Thursday. "We are always ready to mobilize and we are trained to do this as a job."

While in Iraq, Cornell du Houx will participate in combat. He will launch rockets and use demolitions equipment. Conditions on the ground will vary—one night, he may sleep in a field and the next night he may sleep in barracks.

Cornell du Houx is currently president of the Maine College

Democrats and director of development for the College Democrats of America. He was quoted in a September 2004 issue of the Orient as stating at a PBS "MaineWatch" debate that President George W. Bush "misled the country" by taking action in Iraq.

However, Cornell du Houx sees no disconnect between his service and his political beliefs.

"There is no conflict with being a liberal and a Marine," Cornell du Houx said when asked about his political activism. "Regardless of my personal beliefs, it is my duty as a Marine to serve."

Cornell du Houx, who has been in the Marine Forces Reserves since he came to Bowdoin, said he always had an interest in the Marines before joining. He said the Marines offer opportunities to meet people and gain perspective.

The fact that the military is controlled by a Republican administration was not a factor when he made the decision to join.

"It didn't even come into consideration," he said.

Cornell du Houx was originally

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## Higher Education Act may reduce student aid

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

The U.S. Senate is considering a new version of the Higher Education Act with potentially broad implications for the Bowdoin community. This new version calls for wide-spread changes to the previous version of the act, including fixing interest rates on federal student loans while at the same time increasing the maximum size of Pell Grants, the primary form of federal education grants.

A stipulation in the bill, referred to as the fair share provision, requires redistributions of money from a federal fund called the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant

(SEOG). Currently, this money is allotted to colleges and universities using the age of the institution as a guide, not by the number of students that attend it.

If the bill is approved, Bowdoin would lose roughly \$85,000 in funding, according to Director of Student Aid Stephen Joyce. While this does not necessarily mean less aid for students, it could mean a reduction in the budget, said Joyce.

The new version would change the allocation to reflect geographical distribution of students, reducing the aid available to Bowdoin students. "We've come to depend on this funding and it would be a significant blow to the Northeast to have this disappear," Joyce said.

"The hurt is going to be on the college budget," Joyce said. "It might mean slightly higher loans for students; it might be that we find the grant money somewhere else, but if we do that some other part of the college isn't getting the money." Referring to the redistribution, Joyce says, "It's not alleviating the need and it's not creating any more funding. It's just rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic."

In a process called budget reconciliation, the Senate has been required to come up with approximately \$13 billion from its Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. To do this, committee leadership tried to devise a plan reducing spending on the Higher Education Act without nega-

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## Current supply of flu shots limited

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

With the seasonal drop in temperature and global fears of an avian flu epidemic, many students and staff are looking toward flu shots for protection against cold weather illnesses. However, some members of the Bowdoin community may have to look beyond Bowdoin for vaccinations this season.

A recent email from College Physician and Director of Health Services Dr. Jeff Benson notified the campus that the Dudley Coe Health Center has received a supply of flu

vaccines, but there are currently only enough to meet the demands of those who qualify as high-risk patients. Such high-risk patients include those with any chronic lung or heart disease, including asthma, or any chronic disease of the blood, kidneys or immune system. A member of the Bowdoin community may also receive a vaccination if he or she works in the Children's Center or has household contact with infants.

"Traditionally, 500 to 600 people are administered the flu shot at Dudley Coe per year," Benson said. "Of these, about 300 to 400 are students." Aside from the students,

there are faculty, staff, alumni, and members of the community who take advantage of Bowdoin's yearly supply.

Dr. Benson confirmed that there is a large enough quantity of shots to meet the high-risk demand and that more supplies are on the way.

"Our supplier has not provided us with a fixed date," he said, "but we don't expect to be waiting for more than two to three weeks."

After the initial email was released, there was a small frenzy of replies requesting attention. While

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## Departments adapt to new distribution requirements by adding courses, faculty

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Faculty are working to create new courses to fit into Bowdoin's recently updated distribution requirements. While many existing courses will be kept, some current courses will disappear to make room for new ones.

The faculty are encouraged to create courses that will be more interdisciplinary in nature across all departments of Bowdoin. These courses will be "modernized and focused on what we do today," according to Associate Dean for Curriculum and Faculty Development and Associate Professor of Mathematics Adam Levy. Proposals for new and altered courses are currently being submitted to the administration, though not all of these courses will appear in

the catalogue next year.

According to Levy, the only change to Bowdoin's distribution requirements that will affect current students is the first-year seminar requirement, which stipulates that all members of the Class of 2009 must take a first-year seminar this year.

Along with the first-year seminar requirement, students in the class of

2010 and future classes will be required to take courses in five different disciplines—mathematical, computational, or statistical reasoning; inquiry in the natural sciences; exploring social differences; international perspectives; and the arts.

They will also be required to take

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## Senior student to be deployed to Iraq with Marines come winter

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on the ballot for a Brunswick Town Council position representing District 7. Coles Tower, Chamberlain Hall, and a number of college houses are in that district. After receiving news of the activation, he withdrew from that race. Besides being unable to serve, he said he removed his name from the ballot so that he would not adversely affect the candidacies of his opponents.

In addition, Cornell du Houx said he will take incompletes in his fall semester courses. He points to some academic work at Bowdoin that will be useful for his service—including the course Middle East Politics and what he describes as a "crash course" in Arabic.

"All of the professors have been extremely helpful and understanding," he said.

Cornell du Houx is not sure whether his service will lead him into politics, a position as a commissioned officer, or some other field after college.

"We'll see what the future holds. At this point, anything could happen," he said.

Cornell du Houx, is part of Alpha Company 1st Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment. He trains regularly at a Marine annex at the Brunswick Naval Air Station. His regiment includes Marines from throughout Maine and parts of New England.

Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley was out of town and could not be reached for comment on Cornell du Houx's deployment.

According to the Office of Institutional Research, 11 alumni who graduated in the 1990s—and reported their occupations to the College in 2004—are identified as members of the military.

Some Bowdoin students current-

## Dudley Coe offers flu vaccinations today for high-risk

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the health center was forced to make some electronic rejections, there is no fear that anyone will be excluded once the rest of the supply is delivered.

"It's not like last year, when they weren't given a supply of vaccines," said Hayley McHugh '09. "I can wait."

The flurry of emails requesting vaccines that were received by Dudley Coe Health Center may have been fueled by anxiety related to the H5N1 avian flu virus. While the College has no specific plans in anticipation of this flu being spread from human to human, Benson says the health staff will be working closely with the Maine Bureau of Health in the event that the avian flu becomes a concern in the United States. Thus far, he feels there is no reason for alarm.



Courtesy of Alex Cornell du Houx

Cornell du Houx is part of Alpha Company 1st Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment.

ly serve in a reserve capacity.

Dave Donahue '07 is training to be a member of the Marine Corps through the Officer Training School or Platoon Leaders Course. He trains during the summer in Quantico, Virginia.

Donahue said there is "no chance" that he'll be deployed to Iraq before graduating from Bowdoin. He will go back to Quantico this summer for six more weeks of training, and then will need six months of additional training.

While he is not obligated to become an officer, Donahue said, "It is something I really want to do with my life."

As for Cornell du Houx, some members of the community expressed worry after they learned of his deployment.

"People are concerned," Cornell du Houx said, "but understand it is my duty."

The first round of vaccines will be administered this Friday and more vaccines will be available shortly.

Hannaford Brothers Company in Brunswick is holding a flu shot clinic on November 4.

"Regardless of my personal beliefs, it is my duty as a Marine to serve."

Alex Cornell du Houx '06

## Students organize to fight the Higher Education Act

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tively affecting students at colleges and universities. The key to the plan is reducing government payments to the banks that provide student loans at low interest rates and reallocating some of the money saved to a new grant program called Pro-GAP, or provisional aid program.

According to Joyce, if the new version of the act passes, it will essentially fix a problem with the way the government makes payments to banks that give student loans.

"They've actually been bundling these loans in such a way that they're getting more fees than they realize they should," Joyce said. "That's what the Senate is tightening up on, and that's where they hope to realize most of their savings. If they do that, then the actual provisions of the bill won't be quite so draconian."

Pro-GAP included in the bill would also benefit students. According to a statement released by Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy, a major proponent of the changes, these grants would provide an additional six billion dollars in aid specifically for low-income students. Another change affecting students is an increase in the limits of federal loans held by one student. Joyce supports these increases, say-

ing that federal loan limits force students to seek alternative, higher-interest loans.

Student activist groups have been mobilizing against the changes. Sara Schlatterbeck '08 represents Student Public Interest Research Groups (Student PIRGS), a group that organized a call-in to congressional representatives in opposition to the bill.

"Congress constantly cuts student aid because we don't have a unified voice against it. With this big cut in student aid that's being proposed, people decided to take action," she said.

According to Schlatterbeck, Student PIRGS is encouraging students to oppose the entire federal budget because of cuts to both education and the environment.

Among the changes that Schlatterbeck's group opposes are changes in the interest rates of certain student loans. Currently, interest rates for federally-subsidized Stafford loans are allowed to shift as the economy fluctuates. The new bill calls for a fixed rate of interest that is higher than the current rate. According to Jasmine Harris, legislative director for the United States Student Association, a student lobby group, these changes could cost the average student at a public university up to \$3,800 more than today.

While acknowledging positive aspects of the bill, Joyce stands against any forms of cuts to the Higher Education Act.

"There's not enough money in any of these programs to meet the need," he said. "If we were in a good economic environment, we would be trying to expand," he said.

In the meantime, the House is considering an alternate form of the bill currently in the Senate committee. Although many provisions of the alternate bill hold the same, other changes in the House bill include a measure penalizing colleges that raise their tuitions at higher than double the inflation rate, raising additional loan limits, and a resolution affirming an academic bill of rights, a statement in favor of diversity and free speech in schools.

When asked about the changes, Timothy Gamwell '09 said he was troubled by the overall cost of education. "It's outrageous, the price of education. It's gone up so much," he said. However, he said that he would not be forced to give up a college education. Referring to the changes, he said, "It wouldn't keep me from going to school. I'd still try to find a way to go to school. It would definitely force me to look into alternatives, private loans, different ways of paying."

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

### McFadden '78 promoted to co-anchor of 'Nightline'

ABC News Correspondent Cynthia McFadden '78 has been promoted to co-anchor of the ABC News broadcast "Nightline." McFadden will replace anchor Ted Koppel, who is stepping down from the program after 25 years.

McFadden's first broadcast will be on November 28.

While at Bowdoin, McFadden participated in the Orient and radio station WBOR. According to Orient records, McFadden served as news editor and assistant editor during her time at the newspaper.

McFadden was most recently ABC News's Senior Legal Correspondent. She covered high-profile trials and justice issues. She will co-anchor "Nightline" with ABC News Chief White House Correspondent Terry Moran and current "20/20" correspondent Martin Bashir. McFadden will be located in New York.

McFadden, a Maine native, graduated summa cum laude from Bowdoin, with majors in sociology and government. She went on to receive a law degree from Columbia University.

### Kendrick '77 named top fair housing official in U.S.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development announced Thursday that Kim Kendrick '77 has been sworn in as the nation's top fair housing official.

President George W. Bush nominated Kendrick for the position of assistant secretary of fair housing and equal opportunity, and was confirmed by the Senate on October 7.

"There is no better person than Kim to lead this Department in its effort to educate and enforce the nation's fair housing laws," said

HUD Secretary Alphonso Jackson.

Kendrick will be responsible for the creating equal housing opportunities for all persons living in America by administering laws that prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, and familial status.

"I am truly honored to serve this Administration as the assistant secretary for fair housing and equal opportunity. I am committed to our continuing mission to ensure equal access to housing for all Americans," said Kendrick.

At Bowdoin, Kendrick was a sociology major and a member of the African-American Society.

### Arctic Museum welcomes Inughuit exhibit, film clips

The Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum recently opened a new exhibit entitled "This Extraordinary Paradise."

The exhibit focuses on the people of northwest Greenland, the Inughuit, popularly called the Polar Eskimos. This tribe, which inhabits the most northern community in the world, served as guides and companions to both Robert E. Peary and Donald B. MacMillan during their multiple explorations of the North Pole.

The museum exhibit displays cultural artifacts such as sealskin clothing, bone tools, and carved ivory figures and jewelry, from both the American Museum of Natural History in New York and the College's own personal collection.

Also included in the exhibit are film clips shot by MacMillan himself.

To research this exhibit, Arctic Museum Curator Genevieve LeMoine personally interviewed members of the Inughuit tribe to document many of the museum's original photographs taken by Peary and MacMillan a century ago.

"It was exciting to be interviewing someone and see them come across a picture of themselves as an infant," LeMoine said in an interview with the Brunswick Times Record.

The exhibit, located in Hubbard Hall, is available to the public free of charge and will remain open through August 2007.

### Two dorms see increase in energy use during contest

Midway through Sustainable Bowdoin's conservation competition that has dorms compete to decrease energy usage, Maine and Coleman halls have significantly increased their electricity consumption.

While every other dorm posted positive conservation results—some reducing consumption by almost half—Coleman and Maine's rate of energy use increased 47.6 and 33.2 percent, respectively, according to a posting made to the Student Digest by Coordinator for Sustainable Bowdoin Keisha Payson.

Coleman residents claim that their consumption has increased because construction workers renovating nearby Hyde and Appleton halls have been using their electricity.

"They plug stuff into our basement," said Coleman resident Kristina Sorg '09.

Sorg admitted, however, that she has not noticed much conservation in Coleman.

Maine Hall residents had no such excuse. Proctor Ashleigh Watson '06 was perplexed by the increase.

"We have no idea how it happened," Watson said. But, she continued, "I don't feel the enthusiasm. People aren't going out of their way."

MacMillan House is currently leading the competition with a 44.8 percent reduction.

—Compiled by Anne Riley, James D. Baumberger, and Bobby Guertie.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Dr. Jeff Benson receives a flu shot. He comes into contact with many patients during flu season.

## Unforeseen expenses force budget increase

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

In the first of three annual Board of Trustees meetings, the board approved a \$2.7 million increase to the 2005-2006 budget to compensate for unforeseen expenses.

Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Catherine Longley said that the trustees adjusted the budget to account for increased expenses in utilities, financial aid, travel, and payroll, while also accounting for the expense of the dean of admissions and financial aid search.

The operating budget at Bowdoin College is currently \$99,425,000, which does not include the roughly \$16,500,000 available for financial aid.

Utility expenses have seen a \$1.3 million increase.

The College expects higher returns on its short-term investments, and enlarged gifts and contributions to the College, which Longley said should help pay for the increased costs.

Longley also said that the College will be deferring certain equipment purchases for the dining service and Facilities Management.

In addition, the College will be spending \$1.3 million of its \$1.5 million operating surplus from the 2004-2005 fiscal year.

"We are fortunate to have an operating surplus at the end of the last fiscal year that will basically cover the increased cost of utilities," Longley said.

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Catherine Longley  
Senior Vice President for  
Finance and Administration  
and Treasurer

The Board of Trustees meets every May to decide the budget, and in October it reassesses its conclusion.

"It's usually just a few hundred thousand [dollars]," Longley said of the October budget adjustment.

Longley said that there is no reason for concern, and that although the budget adjustment is larger than normal, nothing is being permanently eliminated to account for the new costs.

"We're not making any personnel cuts," Longley said. "There is no cause for alarm; it's all very doable."

## Alums come home for festivities

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

Former students returned to the College this past weekend for the 2005 Homecoming celebrations at which current students mingled with alumni dating back decades, despite a weekend-long downpour.

"We spent four of the most formative years of our lives on campus, so it's always comforting to come back into such an environment," said Nick Walker '04.

Alumni found a full schedule of events open to them throughout the weekend. On Friday, old students sat in on classes to relive the Bowdoin experience. Current students and alumni attended Common Hour with jazz writer and essayist Stanley Crouch, a musician, poet, and critic who spoke on African-American culture.

Alumni were also invited to attend a short Shabbat service given by Hillel students, an inner tube water polo game, and tours of Bowdoin to see how the campus has changed physically over the years. Friday evening, former Bowdoin students went to the coffeehouse and were treated to music played by current student musicians while others gathered for the traditional chair burning bonfire at Hyde Plaza.

Some of the bonfire's excitement was robbed by the excessive rain experienced throughout the entire weekend.

"The most disappointing part was by far the weather," Walker said.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

President Barry Mills chatted with Joan Benoit Samuelson '79 before the track re-dedication during halftime of the homecoming football game.

Despite two days of solid rain, the homecoming festivities continued as planned. On Saturday morning, five new members were inducted into Bowdoin's Athletic Hall of Honor at a special brunch in Thorne Dining Hall. Alumni later met on Whittier Field for a picnic, where child-specific events were offered. The early festivities were followed by a slew of sports games, including football, rugby, soccer, and field hockey.

After the victorious football game (see related story, page 1), many recent students attended the Young Alumni Party sponsored by the Young Alumni Leadership Program (YALP) in Smith Union. This reunion for Classes 2001 to 2006 was among the highlights for the younger returning students and current seniors.

"I definitely enjoyed the YALP reception in Smith Union Saturday night—free booze is always good," Walker said.

Another large-scale reunion took place Saturday night as former members of the Bowdoin fraternity Theta Delta Chi returned to their former home—Macmillan House—for an evening of fine dining and nostalgia.

"There were about 50 people in attendance, from current house resi-

dents to recent alumni all the way back to as early as the Class of '62," Macmillan House President Zach Roberts '08 said.

The older alumni shared their experiences with recent students and current residents about living in what is now Macmillan House. Following dinner, each attendee said a few words about their time in the house and what it meant to them, starting with the oldest alumni and working up to current residents.

"It was really interesting to see the chronological progression. Despite the age differences, all these people had a common bond—the house," said Roberts.

The old fraternity members commented on the drastic changes the house had gone through, but in the end, felt it was a largely positive transformation.

"The alumni seemed satisfied in knowing that the more things change, the more they stay the same," Roberts said.

Despite the weather, returning students agreed on one thing.

"Hands down, the best part [of Bowdoin] has to be the people. It's a great way to see people you've lost touch with," Walker said.

## Students walk to support cause

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

Baxter House and friends throughout the Bowdoin community raised \$2,688 for the American Cancer Society by joining 19 other teams in the tenth annual "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" walk throughout residential Brunswick. Bowdoin's team, which consisted of 27 members, walked the three-mile course in pouring rain on Sunday to raise awareness about breast cancer research, detection, and treatment.

"The walk was great," Baxter resident and Team Captain Kiel McQueen '08 said. "[We raised] approximately 30 percent of the entire money raised for the Brunswick walk, and exactly \$1,138 more than our projected goal."

Emilie McKenna '08 was the third leading fundraiser of the event, collecting over \$550 to donate to the cause. McKenna raised the funds by emailing her mother, who forwarded the request to a few aunts and cousins.

"My Aunt Cindy actually had breast cancer and she was very generous in her donations along with the rest of my family members," she said.

Participation in the event was in response to Baxter's pledge to collectively focus on a specific cause this year as a house. After choosing cancer research as a focus, McQueen contacted Collegia Against Cancer, a group that provides schools with the opportunity to become affiliated with the American Cancer Society. Baxter House is now a sponsor of the organization, through their affiliation with the regional cancer society, according to McQueen.

Having just completed Sunday's walk, members of Baxter House plan to maintain their current level of



Courtesy of Kate Chin

Sophomores Britney Ogden, Kate Chin, and Laura Belden joined Baxter in Sunday's "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" fundraiser walk.

enthusiastic awareness by continuing to sponsor events to benefit cancer research. According to McQueen, Baxter hopes to sponsor a campus-wide Relay for Life in the spring to raise awareness and funds. House members are also helping with the Great American Smokeout and Daffodil Days, during which community volunteers deliver yellow bouquets as a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society.

Britney Ogden '08 joined "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" last year after a friend learned about the event when volunteering at a hospice during her community service pre-orientation trip the previous year. She and three other Coleman residents walked last year without being part of an official Bowdoin team.

"There were a lot more Bowdoin students involved this year," Ogden

said. "Despite the awful weather this year, it was still an event that the community was passionate about."

McQueen agreed that this event was one worth getting wet for.

"The most powerful moment of the walk was just meeting women who have been or are affected by breast cancer and realizing the sincerity and genuine appreciation they expressed toward the people who were participating," he said.

"It is powerful knowing that what students from Bowdoin did will help those in need get the care and support they deserve," he added.

Donna Muto from the American Cancer Society applauded Bowdoin's efforts at the event.

"We want to thank the Bowdoin college students who helped out—not only did they have a team but they helped clean up afterwards," she said.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

voted on next week.

-\$600 was made available to provide buses for the Bowdoin-Bates football game in Lewiston on November 5.

-The athletic department has permanently added longer gym hours to its yearly budget.

-Night taxis should start running this weekend. Airport shuttles are also available.

-This past weekend, the Trustees allocated another \$600,000 for financial aid as a result of the rise in tuition.

-BSG's next public meeting will take place Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Daggett Lounge.

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## Changes in distribution requirements will require next year's incoming class to take courses in five disciplines

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at least one course in each of the three major disciplinary divisions—natural sciences and mathematics, social and behavioral sciences, and humanities and fine arts—which can often be fulfilled by taking courses in the five required disciplines. AP and off-campus study policies will not change.

According to Levy, these requirements can be fulfilled in a variety of ways. To fulfill the mathematical, computational, or statistical reasoning requirement, students will be able to take courses in areas like biology, computer science, economics, and mathematics. For the "exploring social differences" requirement, students will be able to take courses in areas like Asian studies, classics, education, and history.

These requirements, made very broad to allow for personal choice by students, will not force students to restrict their choices to a narrow spectrum of classes.

Instituting these requirements will be a difficult and timely process, according to Levy. Not only will new

classes be added but new faculty members will have to be hired, Levy said.

The goal is to have twelve new faculty positions and to make room for dozens of new courses within the next few years.

*"[The new distribution requirements] provide a great framework. It's clear growth in terms of how the College views and emphasizes our educational program."*

DeRay Mckesson '07  
BSG President

According to Levy, these changes address the basic skills students will need to be successful in the modern world. For example, quantitative skills were not emphasized in past years as much as they are emphasized in the new requirements.

So far, reactions to the new requirements from prospective students and parents have been positive, according to Bowdoin Student Government President and tour guide DeRay Mckesson '07. He does not view the requirements as restrictive. He suggests that "they provide a great framework... it's clear growth in terms of how the College views and emphasizes our educational program."

"The six areas are broad enough to allow freedom in terms of actual classes and focused enough to ensure that students are learning the intended subject area," he said.

When talking to prospective students and their parents, Mckesson emphasizes that they can "own" their Bowdoin experience and should not

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view the new requirements as restrictive, since they can be fulfilled in a variety of ways.

Levy feels that the new requirements will be no hindrance for students applying to Bowdoin.

"It's all new to them anyway," he said.

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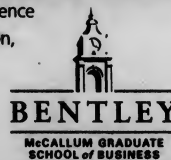
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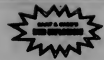
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EXCLUSIVE:

## An Interview With The Governor

Maine Governor John Baldacci talks with the Orient's Evan Kohn about the air station, Question 1, Al Franken, and his dog, Murphy.

### Conversations with Maine's Political Leaders

First in a series

Welcome to the first in a series on political leaders representing Brunswick and other parts of the great state of Maine. This week, I

chatted with Maine Governor John Baldacci in an exclusive interview. Before winning a seat as a Bangor City Councilman at the age of 23, Governor Baldacci worked his way through college at the University of Maine. A Democrat, Baldacci served in the Maine State Senate from 1982 to 1994, and as a U.S. congressman for Maine's second district from 1994 until 2002, when he was elected governor. He will be up for reelection in November 2006.

**Evan Kohn:** Governor, I know you were down in Brunswick recently speaking with local leaders about the Brunswick Naval Air Station (BNAS) Redevelopment Plan. What

role would you like to see Bowdoin play in the redevelopment?

**Governor John Baldacci:** Well, I think Bowdoin is going to be playing a significant role in the redevelopment. I think that, you know, we have [Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer] Katy Longley on the Local Redevelopment Planning Committee. I think Bowdoin has a significant presence in Brunswick, has a significant economic impact there, and can be very helpful. They have a lot of contacts of students whose families are involved in industrial manufacturing and corporate issues around the world. So I think there are contacts and the impact that they make in the local community is certainly going to have a positive influence on the redevelopment there.

**EK:** How can Maine government reverse the trend that shows so many college students leaving the state after they graduate?

**GJB:** Well I think we've begun to stem the tide, Evan. I think we have several initiatives, but most importantly, something that money can't buy, which is the quality of our natural resources and the quality of life in the state of Maine. So, I'm hearing from more college presidents that the graduates are going to location first before job. So I'm finding a lot of

college graduates now are recognizing that their opportunities are in Maine. So, Evan, what we're trying to do is [establish] a systematic approach to planning with the initiatives today so that they'll find the opportunities when they graduate. What I mean is our initiative on the creative economy, we're going to galvanize our artists, our musicians, our software designers, our engineers, our architects. I'm hearing from more graduates, even at M.I.T., that are from Maine are coming back to Portland to set up shop because they can use the broadband and internet access there, and they can do that around the state. That is why we're promoting universal broadband policies around the state. I've met with Time Warner and Verizon and others that spread broadband's abilities throughout the entire state. So, if you want to live in Millinocket or East Millinocket along Mt. Katahdin or Baxter State Park, or if you want to be in the Moosehead Lake region, in the St. John Valley, or wherever you want to be in Maine, you can do your business from there. I think there are more and more opportunities for young people who are interested in those kinds of fields in our state. That's why Dirigo Healthcare is important because it [helps] individuals, the self-employed, and small

business people. So, you get quality affordable healthcare, you get the creative economy initiative, you get broadband, and cellular universal service initiatives, and investments in research and development. I think Maine will be a leader in providing opportunities for those graduates, so I'd say this has got to be the best place to be able to live and raise their family.

**EK:** Moving onto Question 1. Would you encourage students from out-of-state to change their registration so they can vote on Question 1?

**GJB:** I didn't actively do that, I didn't do it all. You know, I'm just trying to encourage Maine people to be able to reflect Maine values. I think Maine people don't discriminate. Maine people are fair people. They want to make sure that people aren't being discriminated against, and that Maine is a diverse and open state. I just want to reflect those values which are really part of the foundation of the state, and that's what we're voting for. We're voting on Maine values. Maine values respect privacy and respect diversity. Maine people do not tolerate discrimination against anyone because we realize that if that happens that it would be a discrimination against all of us—whether they are white supremacists in Lewiston with the Somalis or

whether it is an individual who has been discriminated against because of his or her sexual orientation at work. We had that person from the Christian Civic league who was going to go around and expose people who were gay so their employers would know, threatening their employment frankly, and there were no laws on the books that would have protected people from that. So, you know it doesn't happen much, but it does happen in Maine and we've got to make sure that we all stand together against that.

**EK:** Bowdoin students saw you a few weeks ago introducing Al Franken at Bowdoin. How would you respond to criticism regarding your appearance with an arguably controversial figure like Al Franken.

**GJB:** [Laughter] Well, you know...look, I don't defend Al Franken and Al Franken doesn't defend me. You know, I represent myself, and I just thought it was a great turnout there and I thought there was a lot of enthusiasm there. I think if there are those attempts to undercut that kind of support and say that people were being divisive...I don't think so. I think people appreciate free speech and recognize that people have fought and sacrificed

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## A Look Back

*Clippings from the Archives*

# Bowdoin Orient.

## Always have a "Plan B"

Ask Dr. Jeff

Jeff Benson, M.D. •  
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Dear Dr. Jeff: Is "Emergency Contraception" the same thing as "RU-486"?  
—T.G.R.

Dear T.G.R.: Absolutely not! Emergency Contraception (EC) is contraception that is used, well, in an emergently—that is, post-coitally. Like all other forms of contraception, EC prevents pregnancy. RU-486 is the name given mifepristone, a medication used to induce an abortion. Like all other abortifacients, mifepristone terminates an established pregnancy.



The most common forms of EC contain some combination of progesterone and/or estrogen, the same hormones found in birth control pills. In fact, multiple doses of birth control pills can be taken precisely for this purpose. Plan B, the form of EC we dispense at the Health Center, contains only the progestin, levonorgestrel. It has far fewer side effects and is the safest and most effective form of EC available in this country.

Mifepristone, by the way, acts as an anti-progestin. In fact, this is the biochemical basis of its abortifacient activity. Plan B will not abort a pregnancy. It will not work if a woman is already pregnant, and it will not harm a developing fetus.

As a form of contraception, Plan B works in a number of ways. If taken prior to ovulation, it will stop that egg from being released. That is its primary mechanism of action, exactly the same as birth control pills. Plan B also thickens cervical mucus, making it less penetrable to sperm, and hinders egg transport through the fallopian tubes—again, exactly like birth control pills. Finally, Plan B may interfere with the hormonal support necessary for the successful implantation of a fertilized egg—once again, like birth control pills. Note, too, that Plan B's secondary mechanisms of action are precisely those of other contraceptive modalities as well. Barrier methods like condoms and diaphragms prevent contact between eggs and sperm. IUD's (intrauterine devices) prevent implantation, and, if containing progesterin, also create an environment that hormonally impedes egg transport and implantation.

Despite the unanimous finding by FDA scientists that Plan B is safe and effective, and despite the unequivocal recommendations of these same scientists that Plan B be made available over-the-counter, EC remains available in the U.S. only by prescription.

Even before these recommendations were politically trumped, there was much discussion about how to make EC easier to obtain and purchase. In Maine, like several other states now, women are able to obtain Plan B directly from pharmacists



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Chris Kinum '91 expresses his disapproval of the Coalition of Concerned Students' Friday blockade of Hawthorne-Longfellow Hall as members of the Coalition and the media look on. Photo by Mark Jeong.

BY MARK JEONG  
ORIENT NEWS EDITOR

Put diversity in the university, yelled demonstrators at the blockade for diversity.

From 7:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the demonstrators kept administrators, faculty, students and other out of the Hawthorne Longfellow building which houses the administrative offices and the library.

The coalition staged the blockade in protest to President Robert Edwards' statement outlining his plans for further diversifying Bowdoin. The coalition felt Edwards' proposal was not enough.

As a result of the blockade, President Robert Edwards met with five representatives from the coalition. The delegation consisted

of Karen Edwards 93, Mvelase Mahlaka 91, Ricardo Pino 94, Shadrach Woods 93, Shelby Cogdell 91. The coalition representatives drafted a statement requesting Edwards to:

1. Meet with department and programming chairs in the coming week to establish procedures for diversifying the campus through recruitment in the 1991 season, and establish a committee that will begin work this fall to produce a plan, with time goal, for securing a significant increase in the number of faculty from minority groups (including women) reflecting the demographic percentages of these groups in the United States. (The committee would produce a hard interim report by June 1991.)

2. Introduce to the faculty

the proposal to establish a program in gay and lesbian studies and the staffing such a program would require.

Why the library?

The closing of the library disgruntled students who wanted to study or write papers on the Friday morning. Chris Kinum 91 said he is in favor of diversity, and said the coalition can do anything they want to as long as they don't infringe on other people's right to learn.

Dan Smith 91 felt that it was foolish for the coalition to blockade the library. Smith said he would not support any group which infringes on the rights of students.

We didn't pick the library specifically, said Dana Stanley 91. Stanley said closing the library was

the only choice they had since the library has doors which connect to the administrative section.

In response to the library blockade, Edwards told the coalition that the library should not have been the place of protest. He said,

Libraries represent liberal learning and freedom of education and freedom of thought. Citing fascism,

Edwards said that the coalition chose the wrong symbol to block, because blocking libraries and burning books is what happens in fascism in Europe.

In response to Edwards' fascism statement, Woods said, we really resent the fact that he compared us to book burners and fascists.

He knew as well as we did that the reason we shut down the library was because of the multiple accesses to the administrative building from the library, Woods said.

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# A Day in Maine

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Freeport is a town that would likely make Vladimir Lenin's head explode, were he alive to see it. This municipality, bordering Brunswick, is a staunch bastion of capitalism, saturated with more than 170 outlet stores, restaurants, hotels, and even a psychic to tell you, perhaps, where you will be shopping in the future.

Amazingly, despite Freeport's massive commercialization, the town retains some quaint and charming anomalies—*anomalies* that are almost Walt Disney-esque.

The town's Friendly's and McDonald's restaurants are both

located in old houses, for example. Also, the drive-thru at McDonald's has no audio output; that is, one speaks into a microphone and is greeted with silence. Town bylaws, according to the bright red sign next to the microphone, do not allow speakers at any drive-thru.

The town's Abercrombie&Fitch outlet is situated in the old town library. It is a solid, sturdy-looking building of brick and stone that could easily house a town hall, police station, or courthouse—but it doesn't. Instead, shoppers are asked their verdict on expensive new clothes, some artificially aged to give them more cachet.

According to abercrombie.com,

one type of A&F blue jean will have "inconsistent destruction and wear on every pair [including] authentic worn in holes and abrasion."

It is more than just the town's feng shui that feels forced: employees at many stores insist on being intrusively friendly.

At Wilsons Leather Outlet, a store with enough jackets to elicit an approving "Heey!" from the Fonz, a young woman with short brown hair asks every customer who enters, "What can I help you find today?"

"I'm just browsing," I say, almost choking on the thick scent of leather in the air.

"I like your shirt!" she suddenly

tells me in loud voice.

"You like my shirt?" I say with incredulity—it is a cheap, raggedy tee-shirt with the Corona Beer logo on it.

"I love beer!" the saleswoman tells me. I scurry down the stairs to the men's section.

"Can I help you, sir?" a new employee asks.

"I'm fine," I insist.

"Are you sure?" she asks.

I don't respond.

Employee friendliness aside, the store has an immense selection of leather products,

from jackets to pocketbooks to briefcases to flasks, at surprisingly low prices.

Of course, the most attractive thing about outlet stores, and particularly the majority of stores in Freeport, is that they all have low prices. It is these goods-for-cheap that draw many thousands of tourists here each year.

Early on one weekday morning, not much past the 10:00 a.m. opening hour of most outlets, three busloads of people, all older than 65, wander about Freeport center. They marvel at the discounts on products at the Gap, Burberry, Polo Ralph Lauren, Reebok and a number of other outlets. It doesn't look like any of them are actually buying anything, but the idea of brand-name goods at cut-rate prices seems to intrigue the gaggle of senior citizens.

"Did you see that, dear? That jacket was 60 percent off," a white-haired woman exclaims to her husband. The man, wearing a "Korean War Veteran" medallion around his neck, grunts in response. Slowly, they walk hand-in-hand down Main Street and slip into the L.L. Bean's famous flagship store.

Every store in Freeport has a unique, vibrant exception. The store is a comfortable place to be: employees are friendly, but not overly so, and the variety of people browsing the multitude of products for sale makes the store feel almost cosmopolitan.

If L.L. Bean is a laid back lunch of sandwiches and gorp with friends, the Polo Ralph Lauren outlet is a cold plate of foie gras and beluga caviar with an estranged spouse.

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A heavyset man, an employee of the Ralph Lauren outlet, yells at someone on the telephone: "No, John, those sweaters were supposed to be here today! Tomorrow is one day too late!"

I peruse the various items the store is offering and see a shirt that I like. I look through a rack of the shirts, hoping to find my size, but am unsuccessful.

"Do you have any of these shirts in medium?" I ask the man on the phone once he stops yelling, perhaps naively waiting for an answer. He raises a pudgy finger and points to the rack of shirts that I had just looked through.

I look again. There are still no mediums. Classical music wafts through the air.

As I walk out the door onto Main Street in Freeport, Maine, the bright sun glints off the over 170 retail establishments.

The door at the Polo outlet closes very slowly. Before it clicks shut, I hear the male employee shriek into the telephone:

"Can I please speak to someone with even a modicum of competency?!"

Ah, the fruits of capitalism.

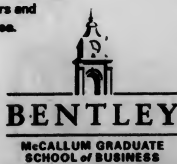
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The Banana Republic Factory Store is one of Freeport's many outlets.



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The Jockey outlet in Freeport only a brief stop is necessary to fulfill all of your undergarment needs.

## Dr. Benson: women should have EC on hand, just in case

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without having to visit a clinic or health care provider first. Unfortunately, this service is not inexpensive, and in any case is not yet available at any of the pharmacies in the greater Brunswick area.

At Bowdoin, we have tried to bridge this gap for a number of years by including Plan B in our Health Center in-house formulary. We dispense it to students free of charge. We would like all women to have some Plan B on hand, in their medicine cabinets, immediately available, just in case, before they have a need for it—even if they are taking birth control pills, even if they have never had sex before, even if they are not having sex with men.

Three million unintended pregnancies occur each year in this country. Half of all American women will have at least one unintended pregnancy. The majority of these women use a regular method of contraception, not one of which, unfortunately, is 100 percent effective.

Accidents happen: condoms break, diaphragms slip, birth control pills fail or are sometimes forgotten. Sometimes sex is unplanned. Sometimes sex is unwanted. Each year, thousands of American women are the victims of rape. Emergency contraception can at least help eliminate one associated trauma—the

prospect of an unwanted pregnancy.

As Dr. Susan Wood argued so eloquently Tuesday evening, Plan B is a contraceptive, and its use and over-the-counter availability have absolutely no place in the abortion debate. No place except this: like all contraceptives, Plan B prevents unintended pregnancy. Fewer unintended pregnancies mean fewer abortions.

If 100 women have unprotected intercourse during the second or third week of their cycle, eight will likely conceive.

If those women take Plan B within the first 24 hours, that number will be reduced to one. That's nearly a 90 percent reduction.

Plan B consists of two pills, taken either together or 12 hours apart. The sooner it's started, the more effective it is. Every 12-hour delay in starting the medication may decrease its effectiveness by as much as 50 percent.

You won't need a GYN exam to get Plan B. To get your pack of Plan B, just mention it when you're in for any visit. Or come to one of our "EC-Does It" sessions. We would like you to have some—and we're always looking for ways to get it to you!

Be well!

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center



A poster from a pro-emergency contraception web site encourages women to back up their birth control with EC.

## What's next? The CPC probably has an answer

by Maura Cooper  
ORIENT STAFF

Returning alumni were not the only guests on the Bowdoin campus last weekend. Amid the soggy weather and Homecoming festivities Saturday, a large Winnebago, with "Parachute Bus" stenciled on its sides, was parked outside of Moulton Union with the aim of raising awareness about the resources available to students at the Career Planning Center (CPC).

Armed with the knowledge that one quarter of the 3 million students who graduated from college in 2004 are unemployed or underemployed, the Parachute Bus embarked on a tour of over fifty colleges this September to encourage students to think about their future and provide them with tools for the transition period following graduation.

The staff of the Parachute Bus, themselves recent college graduates, usually use music, raffles, prizes and the prospect of free business cards to draw student attention to the bus.

Though hindered by the inclement weather, and forced to compete with many Homecoming events, the Parachute Bus received over twenty visitors last Saturday. Inside the bus, students were able to speak one-on-one with the Parachute staff and representatives from Bowdoin's CPC, as well as sign up for free business cards. Abdul Yaro, the executive director of the Parachute Bus, says that issuing students free business cards not only aids their job search, but also helps bring students into the CPC office, where they must go to pick up the cards.

Through the Parachute program's website, <http://www.parachute.com/college> students can

request business cards, post and respond to one another's questions and even listen to Parachute's radio program where some callers are able to speak with experts such as Richard Bolles, the author of *What Color is Your Parachute* which is the book that inspired the Parachute program. The web site also provides links to articles on everything from how to prepare for a job interview to what to know before buying a first car. In the future, the web site hopes to establish a program like [facebook.com](http://facebook.com) that would directly link students to one another as well as potential employers.

*As many Bowdoin seniors cope with anxiety about life after graduation, the CPC office becomes a familiar sight...*

As many Bowdoin seniors cope with anxiety about life after graduation, the CPC's office on the first floor of Moulton Union becomes a familiar sight.

Beyond offering one-on-one counseling, the CPC holds workshops to provide interested students with advice on how to create a resume, build a network of contacts, or give a successful job interview.

Additionally, the CPC plans events to address real-life issues, such as an "etiquette dinner" for seniors and a series of talks in the spring entitled "Life 101," which cover everything from buying health insurance to

budgeting and managing money.

The staff of the CPC proudly acknowledges that the majority of the student body takes advantage of the resources the CPC offers. Libby Heselton, a career counselor, attributes the CPC's success to Bowdoin students, who are self-motivated and actively concerned with their future. However, Heselton adds that even the most motivated student can benefit from a short one-on-one session with a CPC staff member.

Moreover, the CPC staff hopes that any students unsure about their future plans will come to the CPC to allay their anxiety.

After speaking to numerous alumni, Heselton has found that the transition after college, though possibly nerve-wrecking to think about, is not as overwhelming as it may seem.

Though a time of transition, surveys show that most Bowdoin students have quickly adjusted to life after college, and as graduates begin to settle into their new jobs and living conditions, all the other pieces tend to fall in place.

Each spring, the CPC questions seniors about their post-graduation plans and tracks their progress throughout the following year. Of the 85.9 percent of the 2004 Bowdoin graduating class that the CPC was able to track, 70.8 percent were employed after college, 11 percent had pursued higher education, and only 3.4 percent reported being temporarily employed or searching for work.

Although the Parachute Bus did not intentionally plan to visit on the one weekend that Bowdoin dedicates to returning alumni, the 2006 senior class hopefully will be comforted by the connection.

The success of those who came before them, especially the 2005 senior class, may prove that, despite what some seniors may believe, there is life after graduation.



The "Parachute Express" bus parked in front of Moulton Union last Saturday.

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their lives so we can say and do what we want to do. Those are our freedoms and liberties, so he has a right to his opinion and I have a right to mine.

**EK:** *With the Higher Education Act, there are concerns about cuts to student aid and Pell Grants. Do you think this will hurt Maine, and what would you like to do for Maine college students in a second term as governor?*

**GJB:** Well, I'm very upset about cuts in higher education that have been proposed. When I was in Washington, we worked so hard to increase Pell Grants and student financial aid, and reduce the burdens on families—especially working families and low-income families that that was their only ticket to economic independence and economic security. We established a Hope Scholarship Program not only to help people, you know, not just getting through high school, but into college, and gave tax credits for the first and second year of college tuition. So we've wanted it expanded more because the more educated, the more trained our workforce is, the better-paying job opportunities they're going to have. So, I'm very disappointed at the federal proposals to cut back on that. We're planning to develop, as we put forward an initiative on community colleges, we're trying to open the doors at the senior level of high school, open them up to college level courses, taking advantage of that senior year. We spend about \$110 million a year in Maine on seniors in high school. If we were able to take that \$110 million and galvanize that senior year to almost be like the first year of college, or of higher education, it would really get better value out of that senior year—which is a year in which a lot of kids are just more or less working on where they're going to be and trying to get things in order. We can really utilize that senior year a lot more for kids.

Then, we're trying to partner with the Compact for Higher Education, which is a lot of corporations and businesses in Maine and community foundation supporters that are trying to raise scholarship funds. So we're looking to raise a substantial amount of scholarship funds, so that we can continue to reduce the financial burden that there is on students. So, trying to get at them earlier, trying to get them into higher education earlier at costs that we're already incurring, and trying to increase private and public partnerships and scholarships so that there will be more financial support for people going on for higher education because they need it.

**EK:** *My most important question last. How is Maine's first dog, Murphy, and is there anything new on his agenda?*

**GJB:** (Laughter) Thank you for asking, Evan. Murphy is the first dog, and Murphy is a lady.

**EK:** *Oh, ok. (laughter)*

**GJB:** The only thing she has been pointing at lately, though, is usually that plate of sausages or bacon or something on the kitchen table. (laughter) But she's doing fine and thank you very much for asking.

*Look for another Evan Kohn interview with a Maine political leader in the near future.*

*Cait Mitchell assisted with this report.*



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The Bowdoin Orient

## J.W.P. searches for the groove



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The four members of the Jim Weeks Philharmonic, (left to right) seniors Philip Friedrich, Dan Wilson, Eric Davich, and Ely Delman, have been playing together since their freshman year at Bowdoin.

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

The Jim Weeks Philharmonic is not your gorp-munching, Birkenstock-wearing, burned out older brother's jam band. For seniors Eric Davich, Dan Wilson, Ely Delman, and Philip Friedrich, exploration into the world of musical improvisation and pursuit of the sublime, elusive "groove" is far more profound.

"When we're jamming, it's like a conversation," said Davich, the band's singer and lead guitarist. "It's like right now I'm talking, sometimes you're talking, sometimes we're talking at the same time, sometimes we're arguing."

This conversation, which is going on its fourth year, began between Wilson and Friedrich during the fall of their freshman year. As hall mates in Maine Hall, they bonded over their mutual passion for music. The decision to start a band followed naturally, and after a brief flyer campaign to recruit a bassist and a second guitarist, Delman and Davich were welcomed into the group. Wilson and Friedrich's proctor that year? A "larger-than-life" football player by the name of Jim Weeks, whom Davich described simply as "the kind of guy worthy of naming a philharmonic after."

"We were having trouble coming up with a name for the band," said Wilson, "so we just ended up naming it after him."

"We owe a lot of our musical inspiration to his persona," added Friedrich.

The band's influences are not

limited to its namesake. Musically, its members draw inspiration from bands such as Led Zeppelin and the Red Hot Chili Peppers, and from genres spanning from funk to folk and even African and Cuban music. Davich and Wilson are in Bowdoin's World Music Ensemble together, and have studied African drumming and Caribbean music.

"[That experience] has certainly influenced my interpretation of rhythmic structures," said Wilson, the band's percussionist.

As for its own music, the band prefers not to be limited by a specific genre. It has performed funk-themed gigs, classic rock standards, and even Justin Timberlake's "Rock Your Body," which they arranged last year in collaboration with Tauwan Patterson '08, and which Delman described as a "guilty pleasure."

When pressed, Wilson categorized

the band's sound rather ambiguously as "funky space-pornography."

"We really go back to the origin of the universe when we jam," he explained. "We recreate the emergence of form from chaos."

"The beauty about jamming is that you don't know where you'll end up," said Delman. "There's a lot of groove between all of us."

The members of the Jim Weeks Philharmonic refuse to discriminate against any single piece of music based on its author or genre, so long as it meets one critical criterion: it has to "groove." Delman, Friedrich and Wilson explore this notion every Thursday evening on their WBOR radio show, "Raiders of the Lost Groove." Like the

music of their band, the part-time disc jockeys do not limit themselves to a specific style, boasting an extraordinarily diverse palette.

After three years together, the musical discourse among these four music lovers has not yet turned stale. Familiarity has caused their dynamic to mature, and each member seems to have fallen comfortably into a role within the band.

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## Jurassic 5 plans to get prehistoric in Morrell

by Chelsea Germeyan  
ORIENT STAFF

Don't be fooled by the name. Jurassic 5—performing tomorrow night at 8:00 p.m. in Morrell Gymnasium—includes six rappers: Mark 7even, Chali 2na, Zaakir, Akil, Cut Chemist, and DJ Nu-Mark.

Originally, the artists belonged to two separate groups. Zaakir and Akil performed as The Rebels of Rhythm, and Mark 7even, Chali 2na, Cut Chemist, and DJ Nu-Mark called themselves "The Unity Committee." The two groups first met in 1993 during a talent showcase at The Good Life, a café venue in Los Angeles. Zaakir and Akil presented an uncommon old-school beat that appealed to The Unity Committee, whose performance style in turn attracted The Rebels of Rhythm.

After the show they spoke together and agreed to combine for a song, though they didn't perform together for another year and a half. Their first collaboration was the hit "Unified Rebellution."

Each group had been trying to sign on to a record label for years without success. When the two groups joined, they decided to pool their resources and produce their own record—an EP released in 1997, *Improvise*, a collection welcomed by critics as carrying one of the most creative new sounds of the year.

Jurassic 5 uses an old-school rap style. They prefer to work directly off the turntable rather than a digital

sound synthesizer. It is their aim to go back to the old school style of hip hop, which they spent time studying before producing records, and maintain the intimate, authentic effect presented by deejaying.

The group did most of their touring during 2000-2001, including a tour with Fiona Apple and another tour on the Warped Festival. They produced two more records, *Quality Control* and *Power in Numbers* by the end of 2002.

Chali 2na and Cut Chemist also perform as part of the Latin hip-hop group Ozomatli. On his own, Cut Chemist has independently produced a variety of mix tapes and, in collaboration with Shortkut from Invisibl Skratch Piklz, an album called *Future Primitive Soundsession*.

Jurassic 5 performed on campus five years ago. The show was such a hit that this year's Campus Activities Board chose to bring them back to campus again. The group happened to have an open date that coincided with an open date on the student activities schedule, so over the summer the board members contacted their agent to arrange a second show.

Young Explosive Soldiers, a group of Bowdoin students, will perform a 30-minute set as the opening act. This group includes students from all classes and a Bowdoin graduate, Alimantq Bashir '05, Mario Lopez '06, Kai Ford-Ellison '07, Shawn Stewart '08, and Tony Thrower '09, who will not be present due to prior obligations for the football team.

Tickets for this event are still available at the Smith Union information desk.

## Meddies celebrate history, Homecoming



Sharon Benjamin for The Bowdoin Orient

The Meddiebempeters performed last Sunday for an audience of guests and alumni of the College. After the concert, the all-male a capella group mingled with some of its own alumni.

# O'Doul's: unjustifiably tasteless

by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

OLD EAST INDIA PALE ALE (\$5.99 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

This IPA is a standard on the tab at the Sea Dog Brewery and delivers a great taste that only Sea Dog could. Because it is 6.2 percent alcohol by volume, I happily purchased this beer the other night down at the bar, curious to see how smooth this IPA would taste in relation to others I had sampled in the previous hours. The first thing that struck me about this beer was that it was noticeably darker than any of the other beers on tap and seemed to weigh more, although I am told that is untrue.

As a seasoned beer drinker, I knew that IPAs have a unique taste—subtly bitter and full of flavor. Sea Dog followed suit accordingly, packing in a strong taste of hops and barley, akin to what caffeinated beer tastes like. Unlike other IPAs, the Old East, in true Sea Dog tradition, added a hint of sweetness to the beer, making it easier on the palate. I recommend giving this one a try. *My Scores: Taste: 4.2, Partyability: 3.7, Benefit/Cost: 4.1.*

COORS LIGHT (\$4.19 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

It's interesting that the manufacturers call this gold-colored water beer, because any taste they put into it when they brewed it was lost somewhere between Golden, Colorado and the rest of America. Better known as the "Silver Bullet," this beer toots itself as being the drink of choice for awesome dudes and extreme chicks on ski trips during spring break, guaranteeing you a "rad" time as you frolic in the mountain snow.

When questioned whether this was true, Allegra Spalding '08 remarked, "Yeah, I tapped the Rockies once, but the party still sucked."

Not only does this beer not have a recognizable taste, its alcohol content is a disappointing 4.2 percent, forcing regular beer drinkers to consume at least three or four more beers than usual. This is ironic because many people seem to drink "light" beer because it contains fewer calories without realizing that it will take more beers for them to feel the desired effect. Either way, if you're drinking Coors Light, you still don't look as cool as the people in the commercials. *My Scores: Taste: N/A, Partyability: 3.0, Benefit/Cost: 1.8.*

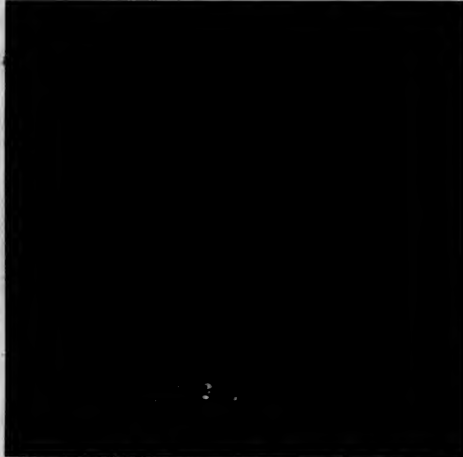
O'DOUL'S (\$3.99 for a six-pack, available in the far, far upper left corner at Hannaford)

I have gotten emails from some concerned students in recent weeks about how they think I should give non-alcoholic beer a chance because it's not fair that my beer column only reviews alcoholic beer. Since I realize it is wildly offensive to only review alcoholic beer in a beer column, I tried a bottle of O'Douls the other day. The first thing I noticed was the sticker on the box exclaiming how the beer "only had 45 calories!" I was excited. I was still asked for ID at the checkout so as to prevent my juvenile indulgence from abusing the 0.05 percent alcohol content furtively hidden in the depths of the bottle. The taste of this beer is hard to explain, much the same way it is hard to describe what decaffeinated coffee tastes like.

The rest of the bottle delivered all the bad parts of beer and none of the good: poor aftertaste, thin texture, and no alcohol to justify it. The best use for this beer is probably serving it to a friend who has never drank before and seeing whether they act drunk at downing four or five.

Though I think it is a great choice for the designated driver, I am pretty sure O'Doul's should stay tucked away in the forgotten corner of the fridge. *My Scores: Taste: 0.3, Partyability: N/A, Benefit/Cost Ratio: 0.05.*

# Poet takes search for latent beauty to Howell



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Aimee Nezhukumatathil had considered a career in chemistry until she discovered her passion for poetry. Nezhukumatathil's interest in chemistry inspired the young poet's obsession with nature, which influences her writing.

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Under a lifeless disco ball in Helmreich House, roughly 20 members of the Bowdoin and Brunswick community sat quietly in rows Tuesday evening to listen to poet Aimee Nezhukumatathil's sprightly, melodic voice. The bar was temporarily transformed into a display table for Nezhukumatathil's latest book, *Miracle Fruit*, along with a sampling of coffee, and cider.

Nezhukumatathil, a petite woman with large sparkling eyes and sequined jeans, stood at the podium in front of her modest audience.

"I wrote a poem in the shape of spare ribs," she admitted grinningly before launching into a "carmina figurate"—a

poem that is written in a certain shape. "Baby, don't even come near me with that napkin. Just let me at each bone, slick and sweet with smoky sugar sauce." Her warm, rich voice echoed the subject of her poem as she recited it to her transfixed listeners.

"I like finding beauty in nature that isn't usually thought of or seen as beautiful," Nezhukumatathil said in an interview with the Orient. In fact, her next book, *The Corpse Flower*, will be named after the largest flower in the world, which, she said, smells like a rotting corpse.

Nezhukumatathil credits her many nature-based poems to her early studies in chemistry. Although she began her undergraduate studies at Ohio State University with plans to pursue science, she took a poetry class her sophomore year that completely changed her notions of what she wanted to pursue. She said, "Poetry challenged me in a way that chemistry never had."

Instead of continuing with chemistry, she earned her B.A. in English and her M.F.A. in poetry and creative

non-fiction. "What I love about poetry is that there are no easy answers; there are no definitive answers like in chemistry," she said.

Nezhukumatathil is one of many poets featured on the online publication *From the Fishhouse*

([www.fishhousepoems.org](http://www.fishhousepoems.org)). The web site showcases young, up-and-coming poets, and it even includes audio files of poets reading their own poems.

"I would really like to encourage people to check [the web site] out," said Nezhukumatathil, who is assistant professor of English at State University of New York-Fredonia and believes that *From the Fishhouse* is an excellent resource for college students. She continued, "I just never want a college student to think that there are no living poets under the age of 40."

"I like finding beauty  
in nature that isn't  
usually thought of or  
seen as beautiful."

Aimee Nezhukumatathil  
Poet

# Serenity a soothing sci-fi success



Courtesy of Universal Pictures

While *Serenity's* plot is not particularly novel, its characters are certainly intriguing, ably played by (left to right) Nathan Fillion, Morena Baccarin, Gina Torres, Adam Baldwin, and Alan Tudyk.

by Gabe  
Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

Nothing soothes the soul like a solid sci-fi flick. *Serenity*, Joss Whedon's big screen foray and extension of his late TV show, "Firefly," is as soothing as can be. With special effects that hover slightly above shoddy, and a humbly remote vision of the future, Whedon's pet project shirks the facetious expectations associated with the genre. By accomplishing this, *Serenity* achieves a humility that makes the film feel like a surprise rather than a bargain.

To clarify, *Serenity* is by no means a genre buster. With a ragtag group of intergalactic thieves, a divided universe, and an all-powerful government involved in shady dealings, the movie's plot is far from innovative. The opening sequence, which involves a narrator spitting out the status of our

future universe, feels a lot like the famous opening of cinema's sci-fi saga, *Star Wars*, sans the towering yellow scroll. If, at the outset, this resemblance seems worrisome, have no fear. The closest similarity *Serenity* holds with George Lucas's original is an asset unappreciated in current cinema: a cast of fresh and unknown faces.

Leading the pack of likable nobodies is Nathan Fillion, a soap star who plays the Captain of the ship *Serenity*. Reminiscent of a capable Brendan Fraser with a Neanderthal's brow, Fillion brings both brawn and stoicism to the delightfully anti-heroic role of Mal. He's a hardened warrior with a sordid past, and he guides his team with the heavy hand of practicality. A long lost son of Han Solo, Mal's character must have a reserve of compassion somewhere, and Fillion's career must break out big after this modest starring role.

The rest of the crew samples the catalogue of TV archetypes as well, which, in the gifted hands of

Joss Whedon, is far from a bad thing. There's Zoe, the level-headed tough girl, Kaylee, the spunky mechanic, the comic pilot Wash, and Jayne, the muscle-bound simpleton. All are relatively straightforward; they work well alone, but even better together.

After skipping "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" and "Angel," two hugely successful TV fantasies, Whedon displays a particular skill here for making quick introductions and leaving lasting impressions. His characters have a snappy flair for dialogue and exude a potent self-assurance that gives each one a unique purpose. Complete with their own hooks and choruses, *Serenity's* crew is a bunch to which we cannot help but hum along.

Mr. Whedon also makes it clear that he appreciates the value of a good villain. Chiwetel Ejiofor turns in a startlingly evil performance as the Operative, a cryptically

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## Upcoming Events...

### ~AUDIOSLAVE

Where: The Cumberland County Civic Center, Portland.  
When: November 2 at 7:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$40.50. Available at the Cumberland County Civic Center, by phone at (207) 775-3458, or online at [www.teapartyconcerts.com](http://www.teapartyconcerts.com).

### ~ASHLEE SIMPSON

Where: The State Theater, 609 Congress St., Portland.  
When: Nov. 9 at 7:00 p.m.  
Tickets: \$34.50 in advance, \$36.50

day of show. Available at the Cumberland County Civic Center, by phone at (207) 775-3331, or online at [www.livethestate.com](http://www.livethestate.com).

### ~BARENAKED LADIES

Where: The Cumberland County Civic Center, Portland.  
When: December 1 at 7:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$49.50 and \$37.50. Available at the Cumberland County Civic Center, by phone at (207) 775-3458, or online at [www.teapartyconcerts.com](http://www.teapartyconcerts.com).

## Serenity succeeds in combining nostalgia and novelty

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named government hit man out to take down Serenity's crew. When he faces off with Mal in different stages of the film, a genuinely gripping rivalry starts to form, thanks to the ease with which Whedon embroiders standard dramatic conflict with winks of humor and wit.

During an intense firefight, Mal asks his crew how much ammo they have left. Responds Jayne: "Three full mags, and my swinging cod!" It's lines like this one, brought forth by the western lingo that Whedon has made natural to his space vagrants that make *Serenity* hilariously enjoyable.

One of the films greatest suc-

cesses arrives in its neat blend of sci-fi awe and nostalgic reverence; Mal carries around a revolver, draws in shootouts, and announces his plans with the enchanting hard-headedness of the beefiest of cowboys. When Whedon silhouettes Mal in a shot of the ship's elevator, it's a space-age homage to John Wayne in *The Searcher*: the lonely prestige of manhood framed in metallic darkness.

*Serenity's* plot and setting are nice, but not essential. Whedon's characters could be sitting in a circle, furiously knitting winter caps for two hours, and the movie would still be enjoyable. For all that *Serenity* owes to *Star Wars*, Mr. George Lucas himself would be wise to inspect the elegant

breeziness of Whedon's characters. The joy of watching *Serenity* is seeing someone like Whedon take obvious pleasure in playing with big toys, but never allowing those toys to play him. Whedon has no qualms about presenting a piece

## J.P.W. raises level of musical discourse

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Delman, on bass, describes himself as the primary "groove-setter." Friedrich, on second guitar, fancies himself an "adder of texture and color." Wilson identifies himself as the "foundation."

Davich, the "front man," is the band's only music major, and, it seems, the studious moderator of the band's interplay. His training is evident as he tunes his guitar by ear and uses it to make insightful remarks as the Philharmonic embarks on one of its long musical conversations. Davich also provides vocals to the band, and although he has no history in singing (except for one very, very brief stint with campus a capella group *Urses Verses*), he does not shy away from attempting to imitate the glass-shattering vocal acrobatics of AC/DC and Bon Jovi.

After beginning its career with a flurry of gigs that numbered up to six in a single week, the Jim Weeks Philharmonic has recently grown more obscure. Wilson and Friedrich took semesters off last year, and the remaining members of the band played sparingly in their absence. As a result, the group that took home first place in the "Battle of the Bands" and opened for Dilated Peoples at BEARaids their sophomore year remains largely unknown to the majority of undergrads.

But for the Jim Weeks Philharmonic, making music isn't about recognition or competing for the limelight.

"Music is about self-expression," said Wilson. "It's about creating something that's never been heard or experienced before."

"It's about finding the groove," said Delman.

He added, "Jerry lives."

## CORRECTION

Due to an editing error, the Affentaler wine reviewed in last week's wine column was said to originate in Baden Baden. In fact, the Affentaler wine comes from Baden-Wuerttemberg. The Orient regrets the error.

## Poeting to provide forum for expression

by Gabe Kornbluh  
STAFF WRITER

Tonight marks a big event for the Bowdoin Poeting Club. "All I Need is One Mic Night," a free performance featuring members of Poeting, Taiko, the Bowdoin Step Team, and the Gospel Choir, takes place this evening at 7:00 p.m. in Kresge Auditorium.

A relatively young club, Poeting was started in 2001 by students Alkaaliq Bashir '05 and Mike Chan '05, filling the void for a campus group devoted strictly to the spoken word.

In the last four years, Poeting has comprised a consistently diverse body of students who exchange work and ideas in a free and open forum.

In preparation for weekly meetings (held every Saturday at 2:00 p.m. in Lamarche Lounge), students bring their pen and paper with the intention of sharing and the expectation of peer critique. At monthly coffeehouses, anyone eager to express themselves is encouraged to get up and grab the microphone.

The members of Poeting tackle issues of race, gender, college life, and even age in their work. The club prides itself on creating an atmosphere conducive to dialogue among students who yearn for such dis-

course here at Bowdoin.

One of Poeting's newest and most prolific members is a gentleman named Paul Hansen—a senior citizen from the greater Brunswick community. There is no topic off limits, no style unappreciated, and, most importantly, no shortage of opportunities to hear and learn from other voices within the club.

In typically lyrical fashion, Poeting head Jonique Simpson '08 plugged tonight's event: "All I need is one mic, one voice, one ear to hear the things that cause people to shift in their seats. I only need one mic to cause your eyes to water and your heart to swell. I only need one mic to make you lie awake in bed with your mind just as open as your eyes."

Indeed, it is a goal of Poeting to unearth taboo issues and ideas, to stir things up with the honesty and beauty of spoken word.

Tonight's event is not only a milestone for the group, but an opportunity to reach out, change minds, and embolden new student poets with the enticing spell of performance.

"Poeting is a creative way to add a voice to the issues that are too often silenced. When we perform, it's a sharp pin, piercing its way through the Bowdoin bubble, letting in the sweet smell of reality," Simpson said.

## DJs OF THE WEEK



Brendan Mortimer



Henry "Sea Bass" Work

*What is the best song ever made?*

BM: The Mountain Goats's "No Children."

HW: "Baba O'Reilly," by The Who.

*Who is the greatest living musician?*

BM: Flea.

HW: Billy Joel.

*What was the first album you ever bought?*

BM: I can't remember if it was Metallica's *Reload* or Third Eye Blind's self-titled album. Either way, a bad-ass decision.

HW: Will Smith's *Big Willie Style*.

*What is the best concert you've ever seen?*

BM: My mom brought me to a Neil Diamond concert when I was ten, and 40-year-old women were throwing their panties onstage. That was my first concert and it's all be downhill since.

HW: I actually have a distaste for

live music.

*If you were the dictator of a country, what would be your national anthem?*

BM & HW: We'd pay Tawny Patterson a small fortune to do a soulful version of Europe's "Final Countdown."

*If you were on stage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?*

HW: I'd probably juggle seven balls.

*What song pumps you up?*

BM: Piebald's "Watch Her Flow."

HW: Atom and His Package's

"I'm Downright Amazed at What I Can Destroy With Just a Hammer."

*What song brings you down?*

BM: Anything Hip-Hop.

HW: Anything Emo.

*Mortimer and Work can be heard on "Columbian Algorithms," 10:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings on WBOR 91.1 FM.*

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# SPORTS

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Men's Soccer vs. Connecticut College vs. Gordon College	4-0 W 3-1 W
Women's Soccer vs. Connecticut College at University of New England	3-1 W 1-0 L
Women's Volleyball vs. Bates	3-2 L
Field Hockey vs. Connecticut College vs. Maine-Farmington	4-1 W 5-1 W
Women's Cross Country Maine State Meet	2nd of 9
Men's Cross Country Maine State Meet	1st of 9
Football vs. Hamilton	21-7 W
Women's Rugby vs. U-Maine Orono	27-0 W
Women's Tennis NEWITT	4th of 22
Men's Rugby vs. Wheaton	18-3 L
Water Polo vs. Bates (at Middlebury) vs. BC (at Middlebury) vs. Colby (at Middlebury)	9-4 W 12-9 L 5-3 L

## Field Hockey beats Connecticut College and UMF to go an undefeated 11-0

by Burgess LePage  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Field Hockey Team battled Connecticut College at Ryan Field on Saturday looking to expand its winning streak.

Frustrated by Connecticut's early lead off a lucky break, the team rallied and scored a goal only a minute later to tie the game. Midfielder Meghan Maguire '08 took a hard shot off a rebound from a scramble in the circle. It was Maguire's first goal of her career. Lindsay McNamara '09 put another goal in just another minute later off a pass from Taryn King '07.

Although the Camels boast a strong offensive force, the Polar Bears did not give the team another chance to demonstrate its talent.

Bowdoin stepped up its pace and peppered the opposing goalie with shots. For the rest of the game, the team kept up this intensity to earn a 4-1 win. The Polar Bears' third and fourth goals came from Kristen Veiga '09 and Allyson Craib '06.

The Polar Bears faced University of Maine-Farmington at home under the lights Tuesday. UMF's goalie, Kaeleigh Barker '11 strong saves. It took Bowdoin some time to adjust to her aggressive, out-of-goal style before they could score.

Two scrambles near the goal created penalty stroke opportunities. King took both penalty shots to give Bowdoin a 2-0 lead.

Farmington scored a goal off a well-executed penalty corner during the first half to bring the score to 2-1.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Bowdoin senior Margaret Gormley moves the ball down the field in Saturday's game against Connecticut College.

In the second half, the Polar Bears took control of the game. King ripped an early goal to complete her hat trick, while Craib put home another. The most exciting goal of the game came from a team effort involving first years Tamlyn Frederick, Kate Gormley, and

Maddie McQueency.

Immediately following Farmington's last penalty corner, McQueency brought the ball up the field after a great defensive tackle and passed a long ball to Gormley. Gormley reached the ball just before it went out of bounds, pass-

ing it to Tamlyn. Tamlyn hit a well-calculated shot in the left-hand corner of the goal to end the game 5-1.

Undefeated after 11 games, the Bears will play away at Trinity this weekend, looking to continue their successful season.

## Men's cross country takes first place



Sarah Podmanickzy for The Bowdoin Orient

by Scot McFarlane  
CONTRIBUTOR

Up a mountain and then down again, in the pouring rain and slippery mud, the Bowdoin Men's Cross Country Team became Maine State Champions.

The Maine State Meet was held at Colby College, which is one of the hardest eight-kilometer courses, since roughly a quarter of the course is uphill. The Polar Bears ran the race perfectly, making sure not to overtake themselves on the hill so they could pass runners on the way to the finish line. Nate Krah '08, who reached the top of the hill in 13th place, ended up finishing fifth overall.

It was anybody's race. In a race earlier this season, Bowdoin narrowly defeated Colby. The runners used the adversity to their advantage, maintaining a positive state of mind throughout the race. Captain Ben Martens '06 directed the team to run the race with a "happy and excited" outlook.

As Archie Abrams '09 put it, "the race was awesome."

Bowdoin won with a score of 24. Five of the top ten spots were Bowdoin runners, with captain Andrew Combs '06 taking second place and John Hall '08 in third place.

Owen McKenna '07 and Krah followed them to the finish, taking fourth and fifth place, respectively. Martens finished in tenth place. Tyler Lonsdale '08 took 11th place in his second race of the season. First year Jay McCormick had a breakout performance, taking 29th overall.

The team has a very demanding week of practice coming up before beginning to taper workouts in preparation for the NESAC meet at Wesleyan.

### CORRECTION

Last week's Orient misreported the record of Bowdoin's football team. The article should have read that the football team was 3-0, not 4-0. It had its best start since 1964, not 1917. The Orient regrets the error.

## Women's XC second at state meet

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The Polar Bears did not let the tough weather conditions faze them as they slipped and slid on a rain-soaked course at the Maine State Meet at Colby. Bowdoin captured second, losing to Colby, but outran Bates.

"Saturday was a tough day to race, but we came out strong and had a good day nonetheless. Our top seven improved against Colby, and we beat Bates comfortably," senior co-captain Jill Schweitzer said.

Leading the Polar Bears to the finish was first year Courtney Martin, who took eighth overall with a time of 20:05, followed by Kristen Brownell

Please see WOMEN'S XC, page 15

Runners take off to a shotgun start at Saturday's Maine State Meet, held at Colby. The men's cross country team took first out of nine teams.

## Men's soccer shuts out Connecticut College 4-0



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Brendan Egan goes for a header in Saturday's match against Connecticut College. Bowdoin defeated the Camels 4-0.

## Water Polo takes fifth

by Katie Yankura  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Water Polo Team will look to avenge close losses to Boston College and Colby next weekend in the North Atlantic Conference Championship, to be held at Bowdoin. The team ended the regular season fifth in its conference, an improvement over last year's sixth place finish.

The regular season was one mixed with success and disappointment. The Polar Bears opened with tough losses to Colby, 6-4, and Dartmouth, 11-7, before emerging victorious against the University of Vermont and rival Bates College, whom they beat convincingly, 10-3.

The Polar Bears' victory against Bates proved particularly sweet, as it was long overdue.

"Considering the fact that we have lost to Bates in every game for the past three years by one goal it was really great to finally overcome that hurdle," senior Jason Lewis said.

Lewis, along with fellow senior Ian Kyle, leads one of the strongest Bowdoin water polo teams in recent

years. The co-ed team starts an all-male lineup, comprised of Kyle, Lewis, Mike Siggins '07, Jim Bittl '08, Phil Wilson '08, Dave Swanson '09, and goalie Jon Freedman '08.

The Polar Bears proved themselves against Bates once again in a tournament at Middlebury this past weekend, defeating the Bobcats 9-4. The team's success was spoiled, unfortunately, by back-to-back losses to Boston College and Colby, with final scores of 12-9 and 5-3, respectively.

Despite these losses, Lewis cited the team's enthusiasm concerning next weekend's championships.

"I think that we're in good shape going into the conference. It will be good to have a rematch against Boston College and we have hope that we will beat them," he said.

First year Josh Kimball reaffirmed this enthusiasm, remarking, "The team is really looking forward to the championships. It will be great for us to have a chance to play water polo in front of the Bowdoin home crowd."

Next weekend's championships will complete the season for Bowdoin water polo.

said Coach Peter Slovenski.

With only 43 seconds separating Bowdoin's first and fifth runners, the women met and surpassed Slovenski's challenge: that the top runners to finish within one minute of one another.

"I was impressed at the intelligence and determination we showed throughout the lineup," Slovenski said, adding, "Colby's course is very hilly and muddy, and our team rose up to have its best race in the worst conditions."

## Women's cross country races through inclement weather to take second place

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'07 in ninth. The Polar Bears continued their strong finish with sophomores Courtney Eustace and Laura Onderko capturing tenth and 11th, respectively. Rounding out Bowdoin's top five was junior Alex Knapp, who placed 15th.

"Alex Knapp's improvement has been very important to the team. She gives us a lot of speed and talent in the number five position,"



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### Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team had its fourth shutout victory of the season against Connecticut College over Homecoming weekend. Sophomores Wolf Grueber and Nick Figueiredo scored in the first three minutes of the match to give Bowdoin an early lead. Before the half, an own-goal put the Polar Bears up 3-0. In the second half, Simon Parsons '07 put a diving header into the goal. In the net, Nate Lovitz '08 had four saves and Greg Levin '06 had one. The Polar Bears finished with one more goal to end the game 4-0.

Later in the week, the Polar Bears defeated Gordon College, 3-1. The team scored early with a goal from Figueiredo. The Scots tied the score within five minutes. The score stayed tied until the second half when the team scored twice in the final 15 minutes of the game. Figueiredo took a ball from Parsons to score another goal for Bowdoin. Parsons gave Bowdoin its final goal. Lovitz had six saves in goal.

Bowdoin is ranked fifth in the latest New England regional poll. The Polar Bears will face Trinity in an away game on Saturday.

### Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team defeated Connecticut College 3-1 on Saturday.

Sophomore Ann Zeigler scored off a pass from Kat Whitley '08 at 13:43. The Camels answered, putting a ball inside the net, but Bowdoin sealed the game in the second half, with goals from juniors Kate Donaghy and Ivy Blackmore. Goalie Anna Shapell had six saves.

On Monday, Bowdoin lost a non-conference match to the University of New England. UNE defeated Bowdoin 1-0 for its first victory in eight games between the two teams. Although Bowdoin outshot UNE 21-10, the Polar Bears could not put the ball in the net.

The Polar Bears will face Trinity College in Connecticut this weekend.

### Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team took fourth out of 22 at the New England Women's Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament at Amherst College last weekend. Bowdoin scored 22 team points, losing only to Amherst, Williams, and Middlebury.

Bowdoin had strong performances in the singles bracket from first years Sarah D'Elia Rachel Waldman, as well as sophomore Kristen Raymond. The three reached the finals in singles play.

In doubles competition, two Bowdoin pairs reached semifinal play. D'Elia and junior Kelsey Hughes made the semifinals in the top doubles

bracket. Senior Kara Perriello and Waldman made semifinal play for the No. 3 doubles bracket.

### Volleyball

Bates avenged an earlier loss to Bowdoin with a 3-2 victory over the Polar Bears. Bowdoin played a tough match with many strong individual performances. Sophomore Margo Linton had a school-record 63 assists. Junior Julie Calareso contributed 19 kills and 17 blocks. Erin Prifogle '07 had 17 kills and seven blocks. Senior Ellie Simon posted 17 kills for the team.

The Polar Bears will look to reverse a six-game losing streak at this weekend's Hall of Fame Tournament at Smith College.

### Women's Rugby

The Polar Bears had a 27-0 shutout victory over University of Maine-Farmington on Saturday. Bowdoin dominated UMF with Sara Utzschneider '07, Alicia Velez '08, and Jeni Kennedy '08 scoring in the first half. In the second half, Daphne Leveriza '07, Kelly Orr '06, and Margaret Munford '07 contributed to the Polar Bears final tally.

The "B" side also won its match. This weekend the Polar Bears will face Colby in an away match.

-Compiled by Anna Karasz.

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## Saturday Schedule: Bears in Action!

Women's Soccer at Trinity, 11:00 a.m.

Field Hockey at Trinity, 11:00 a.m.

Women's Rugby vs. Colby, 11:00 a.m.

Football at Trinity, 1:30 p.m.

Men's Soccer at Trinity, 1:30 p.m.

brought Bowdoin's final group to the finish, taking 51st. Birgitta Polson '09 finished 55th and Aisha Woodward '08 in 61st.

"The team did an incredible job for such a difficult course. Halfway through Colby's course, there is a challenging hill that slows many runners down, but everyone on the team pushed through with a great deal of determination," said Knight.

The top 12 runners will continue

training for the last few meets of the season.

The team is optimistic about the remainder of the season. "With a weekend off between states and NESACs, I think we'll get the rest we need to have a smart, fresh race down at Wesleyan [on October 29]. I still hold that we can surprise a lot of NESAC teams and exceed others' expectations. I'm excited to see what happens," Schwietzer said.

The Polar Bears continued their race to the finish with Lindsay Schickner '09 finishing only five places behind Knapp. Amy Ahearn '08 came in next at 24th place.

Junior co-captain, Jamie Knight led the next pack of Polar Bears to the finish taking 27th, while Elissa Gervais '09 took 34th only ten seconds later. Sarah Podmaniczky '08 followed in 37th place and Caroline Sholl '09 took 41st.

The team's co-captain, Schweitzer,



# Athlete Profile: Mike Stratton



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Defensive lineman Mike Stratton '06 emerges from the locker room at half-time in Saturday's game against Hamilton College. Bowdoin won 21-7.

Anna Messerly  
CONTRIBUTOR

Thanks to its stunning 4-0 start, the Bowdoin Football Team has recently warranted a lot of attention. With its success, people start asking questions. Reporters inquire about this season in comparison to past years. Students wonder about the outcome of the next game against undefeated Trinity. But perhaps the most pressing question is, "Why?" Which, in turn, leads to, "Who?"

Players and coaches agree: captain Mike Stratton '06 deserves a lot of credit. A solid defensive lineman, Stratton doesn't play positions that put up the stats like those of the

quarterbacks and running backs.

Instead, he takes care of the "nitty, gritty, dirty work," Head Coach Dave Caputi explained. Stratton's contributions to the squad may not be very visible to those in the stands, but they are greatly appreciated by teammates and coaches, as well as by opponents.

"When practice is over, you would expect Stratton to be done leading, but he just keeps on going—it's almost like he doesn't know when to stop! He continues to lead everywhere he goes," outside linebacker Tony Thrower '09 said.

Stratton overcame a potentially season-ending injury this fall to become one of the most respected players on the team. "In the first

play of the first contact drill of the season, I thought I injured my knee," he said. "It was very scary." Stratton originally believed he suffered an ACL tear. Fortunately, it wasn't nearly as serious. The injury only put him on the bench for a few weeks.

"Mike battled back to his usual high intensity level and thanks to his outstanding conditioning level, he escaped serious injury," Caputi added.

Stratton not only sets an example for teammates in both strength and conditioning, but also on the playing field. "The way he practices every day is a great example for everyone on the team because he never does anything at half-speed," co-captain Shaun Kezer '06 said, adding, "For him, it's 100 percent every play."

Stratton's football career began ten years ago. He was named captain his senior year at St. Sebastian's School in Massachusetts, where he also earned All-Independent School League honors his junior and senior years. His first three years at Bowdoin, he played alongside his brother, Chris, who was the football captain last season.

Caputi noticed similarities between the brothers' leadership styles. "Like his brother, Mike is quiet, but hard-working, conscientious, and always follows through."

Stratton possibly sees himself teaching and coaching at the high school level in the future, like his brother, who is currently coaching at Belmont Hills.

But for right now, the football team has a record to defend. Fortunately, the team possesses "one of the best defensive linemen in the league," Kezer said. "Last year, Mike was Second-Team ALL-NESECAC, and it was all because of his unparalleled effort."

Staying true to his humble personality, Stratton credits the entire team with the squad's success. "I'm very pleased as to how the team has come together," he said. "In the close games, we have the desire to win. All of the hard work the senior class dedicated to the team is finally paying off."

Speaking for the team, he added, "I'm very excited for this weekend. It's not often that two undefeated teams play each other."

# Why the Red Sox failed and how they can win next year

by Eren Munir  
CONTRIBUTOR

Both the Red Sox and the Yankees will undoubtedly spend the rest of their off-season with their heads held low in shame. Both teams spent an unbelievable amount of money trying to maintain their pace of consecutive ALCS appearances. The money spent in the off-season brought expectations and dreams that were, ultimately, never really realistic.

In retrospect, it is clear that neither team was ready to defend its title as the top team in baseball. Both teams lacked the two key ingredients, which never fail to produce results: pitching and defense.

The short period of time that has elapsed between the end of their respective seasons and the start of the off-season has brought with it the floatation of multiple big name and big money players.

Players like A.J. Burnett, Kevin Millwood, Billy Wagner, and B.J. Ryan, who are supposed to bolster any pitching staff they join. Or hitters like Paul Konerko, Torii Hunter, Aubrey Huff, Carlos Beltran, and Johnny Damon, who are meant to automatically improve any offense they sign onto. All these names sound great in a utopian world, where all promises are fulfilled and money doesn't matter. However, in the real world of baseball economics and failed expectations, these players do not make sense for either the Red Sox or the Yankees.

The Red Sox and the Yankees need to stop seeking instant gratification in the form of high-profile players and start to search for long-term solutions. They need to shift their focus from one-year remedies in order to create championship-caliber teams for the long-run.

The Yankees, who invented the theory of one-year solutions, may have finally started realizing that

the future is more important than the present in baseball. This realization came with the contributions of Cano, Wang, Chacon, and Small; four players who helped as much as any "star" player, even though they lacked the "star" salary.

In Boston, the future of the Red Sox would seem more fruitful than that of the Yankees, simply because the BoSox possess a young core of unbelievable talent; players like Jon Papelbon (who could be Roger Clemens reincarnated), Hanley Ramirez, Kevin Youkilis, Dustin Pedroia, Craig Hansen, Manny Delcarmen, Anibal Sanchez, and Jon Lester. Now that they have the talent, the key is to hold it and nurture it until it develops into a

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successful team of major leaguers.

With this in mind, Red Sox Nation cannot help but notice the contributions of David Eckstein and Adam Everett in this year's NLCS, two former Trenton teammates, and wonder what might have been.

Tony La Russa, manager of MLB's best team in the regular season called Eckstein, "the engine, the personality, and in many ways the identity of our team." These are three elements the 2005 Red Sox lacked. Three elements that would have been available and cheap (Eckstein and Everett combined would have made less than \$3 million dollars for the Sox—compared with the \$11 million a year for Renteria and Graffanino). Three elements that would certainly have made the difference between a clean sweep in this year's ALDS and an appearance in the World Series.

# Football defeats Hamilton College to go 4-0 on the season

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The scoring was capped off by Jeff Smith '08 on a seven-yard touchdown run, set up by a 42-yard pass to Nolin. When Smith turned the corner outside the defense, it looked like he would not beat the linebacker to the end zone, but he showed another gear by winning the race to the pylon. The three-touchdown effort was enough to secure a 21-7 win for the record breaking Bears.

The team's season has been historic from the start. In the first game of the year, the Bears took down Middlebury 22-21 at home. The game was highlighted by a breakout game by NESAC Co-Offensive Player of the Week Jeff Nolin '06. The senior wideout set a school record of 203 yards receiving on ten catches. Nolin had one receiving touchdown and the game-winning score on a reverse late in the fourth quarter.

Game two of the year saw the Polar Bears shock a powerful Amherst team on its own field with a

16-13 win. The Polar Bears' defense became the talk of the league after they forced seven turnovers in the game.

Dave Donahue '07 earned the second Player of the Week honor for the

*"We expected to be 4-0. We should have been here last year."*

Rick Leclerc '06  
Quarterback

team in just as many weeks, with 17 tackles and three takeaways on defense. His 65-yard interception return for a touchdown was as important as his fumble recovery, since Amherst was driving for a game winning score.

In week three, the Bears won a 10-8 squeaker. Leclerc got back on track with the long ball hitting Nolin for a 43-yard bomb for the only big-time offensive play.

John Regan '07 had a key interception that led to Nolan McNair's eventual game-winning field goal.

Neither team could punch much through in the tough conditions and the defensive battle went in favor of the Bears, who came up big when it mattered in the red zone.

After a successful start to their season, the Polar Bears were not surprised by their success despite their 2-6 record last year.

"We expected to be 4-0," quarterback Leclerc said. "We should have been here last year. If we eliminate a few key mistakes we would have been in the same position last year that we're in right now."

With Colby losing to Amherst last weekend, the Bears sit atop the NESAC with perennial powerhouse Trinity. Trinity, which is on a 26-game winning streak, will be the biggest test of the year for the Bears. Trinity has reloaded over the years with several Division I transfers from UConn and UVA, but as Scott Brisson '06 put it, "They still pay to go to school just like we do."



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Tailback Jeff Smith '08 broke a tackle and dove for a touchdown against Hamilton last Saturday. Bowdoin defeated Hamilton 21-7.

# Rowing bears bad weather to race at Bates regatta



Mark Hendrickson for The Bowdoin Orient

Bowdoin rowers Tommy Wilcox '09, Nate Hyde '07, Luke McKay '07, and Ed Carr '08 compete in a regatta at Bates.

by Madeleine Pott  
CONTRIBUTOR

As the wind and rain swept down the Androscoggin this past Saturday, the crew team swept past Bates and Franklin Pierce Colleges, dominating two of the five races.

The team was originally supposed to race at the New Hampshire Championships, in Pembroke, New Hampshire, last weekend. Due to severe flooding in the southern part of the state, however, the races were cancelled. In response, the Bates coach quickly set up an unscheduled regatta at the Bates boathouse in Greene, Maine.

Despite the pouring rain and the wind, the men's and women's varsity fours took first place in their events.

The women's first varsity boat glided past Bates and Franklin Pierce, finishing first. The second varsity four followed close behind with Bates and Franklin Pierce on their heels, followed by the third varsity women's crew.

The first varsity men's crew easily dominated their event. They breezed past Franklin Pierce within the first 25 strokes and pulled past Bates, finishing first with a time of 14:31.3. The second varsity boat also trumped both other teams, finishing second with a time of

14:55.6. Bates came in third, eleven seconds later and the third varsity crew crossed the finish with a time of 15:27.4, just ahead of Franklin Pierce.

Bates took the novice men's event. This two-boat race saw the Bowdoin crew finish with a time of 17:27.0, while Bates finished at 15:27.2.

With a time of 16:24.1, the Bates novice women's four easily won their event. The Bowdoin crews came in second and third, with times of 18:11.9 and 18:38.8, respectively.

The team also ran a novice women's eight event, although the primary focus of rowers was their performance in the four-man shells. The college's eight placed third, 43 seconds behind Bates' top boat and 17 seconds behind the Bobcats' second.

The team had also been scheduled to race in a varsity men's eight event and a varsity women's eight event, but due to the rain and cold temperatures, these races were cancelled and the regatta ended early.

This weekend, the team looks forward to one of its last races of the season, the prestigious Head of the Charles Regatta held in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Some 7,000 rowers will converge upon the Charles River for this two-day event. Bowdoin's top men and women's varsity rowers will be there.

## Rugby deserves more attention

by Joel Samen  
CONTRIBUTOR

Soccer fans in Europe share the fanaticism of football enthusiasts in America. That same love for competition extends to Australia and its national pastime, rugby.

I've spent my entire life watching the American triumvirate of baseball, basketball, and football. However, one of the things I looked forward to in studying abroad was the chance to learn about rugby.

I had seen a few games in my life but I was not sure of the rules. It seemed a lot like football, only without the pads and with lots of laterals and no quarterback. There are certainly clubs and teams in the United States, but it is not nearly as popular or well known as it is in Australia.

Upon arriving on campus in Australia, I went out onto a field with some people to play a pick-up game of rugby. We just jumped into a game, and I picked the rules up as we went along. Basically, seven or 15 players match up on each side of the field. Backward passes are used to advance the ball as far as possible toward the opponent's end zone on a football-shaped field. After the advance is stalled six times or the offense fumbles or passes the ball forward, the ball is turned over and the opposition is on the attack.

While playing our pick-up game, one spectator commented that it looked like an elementary school soccer game back in the U.S. Everyone on the field was chasing after the ball, ending up in a massive pileup. The heap would then be sorted out, the players reset, only for the same conclusion to come about further up the field.

With this basic training, I was very excited to see a college-level game. My school, James Cook University, does not have inter-collegiate competitions as we do at home. Instead, it has an inter-dorm league for every sport.

To my surprise, the inter-dorm league game was not too different from my scrimmage earlier in the day. The competition was gussied up

with brightly colored uniforms running across the freshly cut grass, illuminated by the high towers in the darkness of night. Yet, it still wasn't as organized as I had expected. Players were still all converging on one spot.

The beloved strategy of sports like baseball and football was just missing. In baseball, there is the endless analysis of statistics, the mental battle between pitcher and batter, manager versus manager. Football has its intricate formations, varying attack styles, it is like moving players on a chess board.

Rugby has the offense and defense constantly crisscrossing over the field, but it lacks the mental aspect. The coach is not on the sideline scheming up a play to use in a given situation; the offense merely observes the folds of the defense at a given moment and reacts.

The reason for this difference may very well be the pace of the game. Football has pauses between plays, whereas rugby is a constant grind with no interruption for analysis, aside from halftime. There simply is not time for the dissection of the game that many other sports allow.

Australians certainly do love their game, though. One of my friends here observed that there are not as many strongly religious people in Australia as there are in America. Instead, rugby becomes the religion of many.

Every Sunday, my hall would erupt with shouts as the local North Queensland Cowboys faced off against that week's foe. The fanaticism of the students at my school here easily equals that of the most avid football fans in the U.S.

One of the major differences that I observed in the fan base was the size. In America, most states or at least regions have a team for each sport. The same is true in Australia, but the population of each of these supporter-nations is much smaller. The town in which the Cowboys play, Townsville, has a population of just under 100,000. Their stadium, Dairy Farmers Stadium, has a capacity of 24,843, according to the

team's website. Boston, on the other hand, has a population of about 600,000, with Gillette Stadium seating 68,756 according to the Patriots website.

Walking into Dairy Farmers Stadium presents a scene more like a high school football game than a professional sporting event. Fans are dispersed between the mostly vacant seats and sparse concession stands. Even the prices of food at the game are lower than at sporting events in America. While rugby fans in Australia are invested as strongly in their sport, as we are. Their dedication is not as highly routed in economics.

There are certainly a plethora of differences between American and Australian sports. They play unfamiliar

## Rugby falls to Colby in first loss of season

by Adam Feit  
CONTRIBUTOR

This past weekend the rugby team suffered its first defeat of the season, an 18-3 loss to Colby. Despite the lopsided score, Bowdoin only allowed two tries, one within the last five minutes of the game, so the match was a close one.

Bowdoin dominated the game at times, but was not able to play consistently over the full 80 min-

game. The ruggers lost two of their key players and team leaders due to on-field injuries, seniors Dave Friedlander and Ross Butschek. Junior Dan Duarte stepped in at hooker and rookie Jeremy Ross '09 came in at flanker to keep Bowdoin in the game.

The ruggers also welcomed back many alumni into the fold over Homecoming weekend. Despite poor weather, the annual alumni match was, as usual, quite a show. While the alumni squad, composed of seven former captains, four coaches, and numerous all-stars, put on an offensive display of four tries to start the game, the current team quickly settled into their game. The current ruggers allowed only one more after the initial attack. In addition, Tucker Hermans '09 scored.

Alum Mike Balulescu '03 was enthusiastic about the game, despite the conditions. "Today is an awful day for rugby with this rain and all. I mean, I can only feel seven fingers right now, but it's worth it to be back here at Bowdoin playing one more game," he said.

The ruggers finish their season with three wins, one loss and one tie, which put them in second place in the Northern Conference. In addition, the team is ranked fifth in Division II New England. The team will face Colby in the first round of playoffs on Saturday.

Senior Evan Gallagher believes the team is ready to avenge last weekend's loss.

"Last week's game was tough for us emotionally and physically. We stumbled around through a lot of it and hopefully we will be able to walk it off and come back this week, play better, like we know we can, and beat Colby," he said.



Hae-Min Gil for The Bowdoin Orient

Bowdoin ruggers slip and slide during Saturday's match against Colby.

games with different focuses and smaller crowds. But while sitting on a couch watching a North Queensland Cowboys game with a bunch of Aussies I felt a certain comfort. The energy and the enthusiasm was almost identical to the frenzy I've experienced watching the Patriots in my dorm at Bowdoin... just with an Australian accent.

For the second week in a row and the third time this season, Bowdoin's play was spoiled by inclement weather, both limiting the team's offensive clout and defensive prowess.

Colby gave Bowdoin the best challenge of the season in a physically and mentally exhausting

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### Recognizing service

The war in Iraq will feel much closer to home come December. Alex Cornell du Houx '06 will be shipping off for military service at the end of the year. Cornell du Houx, who is known on campus for his political activism and community service work, will participate in counter-insurgency demolitions work in Iraq.

Until now, the war's impact on the collective Bowdoin community has been limited to intellectual discussions or heated arguments at campus events, like former ambassador L. Paul Bremer's lecture last spring. But soon, one of Bowdoin's own—a student who is a friend and leader to many on campus—will be risking his life in the service of his country.

Such service is not new in Bowdoin's long past. A visitor walking around campus sees monuments to those who gave selflessly in the Civil War, the world wars, Vietnam, and Korea. In our history classes, we learn about the strategies and rationale for wars both foreign and domestic. Yet today, shifting cultural norms and a modernized military have created a situation where only a small number of students who attend Bowdoin choose to enter the armed forces.

This creates a paradox for the College and for society.

One in five upperclass students at Bowdoin has declared government as a major; some may eventually run for elected office. These future leaders will make decisions about wars and conflicts that will affect the lives of people around the globe. But most will have spent their lives observing the harsh reality of battle from afar. While it is one thing to appreciate the service of fellow citizens, it is quite another to understand it.

Our neighbors who call the Brunswick Naval Air Station home, along with the students and staff who have friends or family serving abroad, know all too well the feeling of seeing a loved one sent overseas. But during an era when for so many of us, war appears on our television screens and seems so far away, the deployment of one of our own brings these images home. Cornell du Houx's departure provides all at Bowdoin with an opportunity to reflect upon the realities of war.

To him and all military personnel who have connections to Bowdoin, we you wish safe tours of duty, swift returns, and thank you for your service.

*The editorial represents the majority view of The Bowdoin Orient's editorial board. The editorial board consists of the editors-in-chief and the managing editor.*

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Democratic Socialists help labor issues

To the Editors:

I think it is important for Orient readers to know that Congressman Mike Michaud's labor discussion, mentioned in last week's article "Dems draw crowd with Franken," was a co-sponsored event between the College Democrats and Bowdoin Democratic Socialists. Over one third of the attendees of the discussions were members of Democratic Socialists, and they posed nearly all the questions and comments. In my opinion, the Democratic Socialists do more to address labor issues than any other group at Bowdoin, even counting those who get directly organized labor support. I believe the Democratic Socialists do this out of principle, not out of political expediency.

Sincerely,

David Duhalde '06

### Film society should not propagandize

#### Hands Off Liberty



by Evan McLaren  
COLUMNIST

I'm not a member of the Bowdoin Film Society, so it might seem presumptuous of me to opine on how it should conduct its affairs. But I don't believe it's unreasonable for me to suggest that a film society should concern itself purely with film. If it were my decision, the film society would focus on the "classics," particularly those that are not standard fare on American television and in American theaters—here I'm thinking of Fellini, Bergman, Kurosawa, and the like. These are only my personal preferences; however, I think a film society would remain on the correct track as long as it focused on film as film, that is, in the stylistic and artistic sense.

It would be curious if a film society didn't agree on this aim or something near to it. It is apparent ours does not. This November, the Bowdoin Film Society is planning to try its hand at propagandizing by participating in the premiere of Robert Greenwald's latest documentary, *Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Prices*.

It is frustratingly clear that this is a political affair having little to do with the rightly understood focus of a film society. *The High Cost of Low Prices* is being cheered, not by cinema buffs and casual film-goers, but by a vocal and well-organized minority of anti-business, profit-hating activists. Like all of Greenwald's recent films, *The High Cost of Low Prices* aims solely at exercising a left-liberal social and political bias.

The Film Society should select films that all fans of cinema are likely to enjoy or at least appreciate. One would have to be a thoroughgoing socialist to get any pleasure out of a movie like *The High Cost of Low Prices*.

Anticipating the path of my argument, one might point out that social and political sensibilities can be detected in most films and that the film society is without any deliberate bias. I agree insofar as I do not suspect the film society of intentionally propagandizing (although I won't rule out that possibility). They may believe the film is important because it seems informative or because it expresses sentiments with which many Americans may agree. Or perhaps they feel that the film society would be committing an obvious error in not showing this film since its release is being touted as an "event."

But all of this is beside the point. *The High Cost of Low Prices* is getting attention almost solely because of its political message. Its release is being planned as the centerpiece of what the activists at Wal-MartWatch.com are touting as "Higher Expectations Week: A National Week of Action." It is not a film that happens to contain a political message; it is political disinformation conveyed through the film medium. Regardless of its intent, the film society is allowing itself to become a part of a massive, ideologically-driven, anti-capitalist effort. This should be evident to anyone whether or not they agree with the film's content.

Luckily, I can rescue the film society from its blunder by summarizing the predictable message of *The High Cost of Low Prices*. That way, everyone can digest its collectivist bromide without actually having to watch the film. Here it goes: *The High Cost of Low Prices* will claim that Wal-Mart pays low wages, abuses its workers, intimidates shoppers by having elderly folk greet them at the door, puts small stores out of business, purchases low-priced goods from abroad which puts Americans out of jobs, and generally contributes to the plague of consumerism that is sweeping the globe.

My humble assessment is that this message is little more than distortion and lies. Wal-Mart is successful

### Domestic violence is a common problem

by Elizabeth Sheldon  
and Alana Wooley  
CONTRIBUTORS

Every 1 hour and 37 minutes, a crime of domestic violence is reported to police in Maine.

Domestic violence does not discriminate. While students may consider domestic violence to be an issue concerning older adults, you may be surprised to know that women ages 16 to 24 experience the highest per capita rate of intimate partner violence. At some point in their lives, approximately one third of women report physical or sexual abuse by a husband or partner.

Domestic violence is not limited to heterosexual relationships, nor is the abuser always a male. Twenty-five to 33 percent of same-sex relationships report instances of domestic violence.

Elder abuse, often committed by a family member or caretaker, occurs when elders are controlled by someone with whom they maintain intimate and trusting relations. This can include controlling their social life, finances, restricting them from medications, and physical, emotional, or sexual abuse. There are an estimated 12,000 cases of elder abuse in Maine, many of which have not been reported.

Due to isolation of ethnic groups from communities and the distress of a new environment, domestic abuse is believed to be more common among immigrant women as compared to U.S. citizens, according to the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence.

The reality is that these statistics may actually be higher, as many crimes go unreported. Domestic violence does not only happen in "problem" families and is not specific to any particular class or ethnic group. The fact is battered women can not be easily defined.

Similarly, abusers come from all socio-economic backgrounds, races, religions, and experiences. Abusers could be drinkers or non-drinkers, could come from abusive families or not, and could be a white-collar or blue-collar worker.

In addition, an abusive relationship can take on many forms. Abuse can happen to men, women, children, and elders and happens in both heterosexual and homosexual relationships. Domestic violence is an issue of power and control that includes many forms: physical, emotional, sexual, and financial abuse. We normally think of abuse as black eyes and broken bones, but other examples of abusive behaviors include isolation, threats, induced debility and exhaustion, degradation, and enforcement of trivial demands.

Efforts to end domestic violence include providing services for victims and survivors of domestic abuse, education about prevention through school systems, and advancing public policy to advocate for the survivors. All of these endeavors need the support of volunteers. Volunteering with a local organization such as a domestic violence agency is a great way to learn about issues specific to our community and work to end domestic violence.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Consider ways in which you can help the efforts to end domestic violence. Family Crisis Services (FCS) is the domestic violence support agency for the Mid-coast Maine region. FCS offers a 24-hour hotline, emergency and transitional shelters, and advocate support services.

Interested in volunteering? You can cover the hotline, assist with support groups, work with children of survivors or help to raise awareness about domestic violence.

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# Drill ANWR for independence

by Zachary Linhart  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) is a 19 million-acre landmass in northern Alaska. The Coastal Plain is a 1.5 million-acre area on the northern portion of ANWR where there is an enormous amount of oil. There is more petroleum in ANWR than in any other known land oil field in North America.

Why, then, do we not extract the oil from ANWR in order to lessen our dependence on Middle Eastern oil?

Currently, between 55 percent and 65 percent of all oil used in the United States is imported. Most of this from the Middle East. Of course, the best way to decrease this dependence is to use different energy sources. However, these alternate sources of energy, in cars for example, will not be perfected for some ten to 20 years. Therefore, a more short-term solution to decrease our dependence on foreign oil is necessary. ANWR is this solution.

The biggest argument for not drilling ANWR concerns the amount of oil there. Those from the Left will tell you that there is so little oil in ANWR that it would have an insignificant effect on oil prices and dependency. However, according to the U.S. Department of the Interior, there are approximately 10.4 billion barrels of oil in ANWR, 1.4 million barrels of which could be produced daily. This would be more daily oil production than that of any other state in the United States.

Let us do some math to see how long the ANWR oil reserve would last if the oil were used as the only

source of oil for the United States (which is actually not possible because of production restrictions). Armed with the knowledge that we consume about 20 million barrels of oil per day we can derive that the ANWR reserves would last approximately 520 days. Yet only 1.4 million barrels can be produced per day; thus, the oil would last 20 years, which provides more than enough time to perfect alternate forms of energy.

Doing some more algebra, seven percent of these 20 million barrels consumed by the U.S. per day could be supplemented by drilling ANWR. This would certainly decrease our dependence on foreign oil, as well as decrease oil prices.

Some other positive impacts of drilling ANWR are as follows. There would be a significant economic impact as companies could invest and get contracts. As seen in the Middle East and various parts of the United States, oil drilling is a multi-billion-dollar business. Opening ANWR to drilling would be like investing billions in the U.S. economy. These corporations would create approximately half a million jobs, another enormous economic booster.

Many of you must be thinking, "What about the impact on nature and the refuge?"

The Coastal Plain makes up only eight percent of ANWR. The U.S. Department of the Interior estimated that only 12,500 acres would be directly affected by the drilling, making only about one half of a percent of the total refuge effected. So drilling there would leave a massive portion of the ANWR untouched. Also, animal life has been shown to prosper around oil pipelines rather than suffer, contrary to common conceptions.

For example, caribou populations have skyrocketed since other oil sites were drilled in Alaska. In addition, with modern technology, oil drilling sites are significantly smaller than they have been in the past. The footprint of the rigs would be insignificant compared to the vastness of the region.

There is no strong reason not to drill in ANWR. Not only would drilling decrease our dependence on foreign oil, it would decrease gas prices, boost the economy, create thousands of new jobs, and benefit the United States as a whole.

by Alex Linhart  
CONTRIBUTOR

America is a society that values liberty over equality. We separated from England largely because of our desire to live autonomous lives without the burden of a powerful, authoritarian regime on our shoulders. The Declaration of Independence explicitly mentions our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Equality, remarkably, is absent. Our notion of liberty extends to economic matters as well. We do not live in the world envisioned by Marx and Engels with the state's hand constantly meddling with our business decisions.

It is with this in mind that I urge a "yes" vote in November to veto the governor's addition to the Maine Human Rights Legislation. The entrepreneurial spirit of America runs deep within the fabric of this campus. Upon graduation, many of us will attempt to start our own businesses which we hope will grow and provide a useful service to the

## Film society should stick to film

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because it satisfies the wants and needs of consumers. Its low prices and high-quality goods mean a higher real wage and a better life for millions of people. Its accessibility (lots of stuff under one roof) saves everyone time.

Wal-Mart coerces neither its employees nor the businesses it outcompetes; it simply responds to the demands of consumers as expressed through the market. This is what frustrates activists more than anything: that Wal-Mart's success is

based on the free choice of individuals. This is in keeping with a long history of progressives using government intervention to punish businesses and firms for offering consumers newer, better, and cheaper goods and services. As in many political battles, a minority aims to use the state as a tool to bludgeon free society.

So that sums up *The High Cost of Low Prices*. Thanks to my selflessness, the film society can cancel its scheduled screening in favor of a proper film, preferably something in black and white with subtitles.

## For freedom to hire, vote yes

American economy. We will grow these businesses with our blood, our sweat, and our tears. From nothing, they will rise up and become the future of America.

What will make our small companies great? Choice. The choice on what color to paint the outside of our store. The choice on what to price our products (with the assumption we want to maximize profit). And finally, the choice of whom we want to hire to represent our business to the outside world.

This final selection, the choice of who to hire, is arguably one of the most important that will be made. It is the people whom you work with everyday, the people who represent your business and your product that will ultimately decide whether you succeed as an entrepreneur. Let's say a man walks in to my business wearing a dress, high heels, and lipstick. It could be against the law for me to politely tell this man, "Sorry, I think you are qualified, but I cannot have a homosexual cross-dresser representing my business to my clients." I can

be sued and have my business, the business I grew from nothing, taken away from me. I will have lost the ability to decide who I want to represent my business. Disregarding the fact that for a man to dress as a woman is considered socially unacceptable throughout the entire civilized world, I will have my company taken from me because the state of Maine feels that it has the right to tell me whose morality I should accept regarding homosexuality or perceived homosexuality.

I am not making a case for discrimination. I think we should treat people with respect and dignity. I am making the case for economic choice. This freedom of choice is directly tied to the innovation which has made America's economy the greatest to ever exist on this earth. Don't let the state of Maine take that choice from you. Don't have them force you to condone a type of behavior for your private, personal, self-owned business that you consider wrong. Retain your choice and vote "yes."

## ORIENT SPEAK

### How are you going to save energy this month?



Anne Riley '08

"Light my life with Bobby Guerette's smile."



Steve Kolowich '08

"My car now runs on love."



James Baumberger '06

"Redheads are still fiery without electricity."



Anna Karass '08

"I light my room by burning copies of *The Colby Echo*."



Mary Helen Miller '09

"I'm going to cause a blackout in a major U.S. city tonight."



Adam Kommel '09

"I stopped flushing the toilet."

# The Weekly Calendar

## October 21-27

### Friday

#### *All I Need is One Mic*

Come to a poetry slam co-sponsored by Poeting and the African-American Society.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
7-8:30 p.m.

#### *Film: The Machinist*

This psychological thriller tells the story of Trevor Reznik, an insomniac who has not slept in a year. After finding strange notes in his home and seeing a co-worker only visible to him, he begins to look within himself for answers.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

A branch with orange leaves hangs near Hubbard Hall.

### Saturday

#### *Film: The Machinist*

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### *Jurassic 5*

The hit old-school hip-hop group returns to Bowdoin. Young Explosive Soliders, a group of Bowdoin students, will open.  
Morrell Gymnasium, 8-12 p.m.

### Sunday

#### *Sunday Mass*

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

#### *Film: Born from Ice*

Come view an East Coast ski thriller presented by the Bowdoin Outing Club.  
Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center, 7:30 p.m.

#### *Poker Tournament*

The men's basketball team will play host to a poker tournament. Prizes will be given. Part of the proceeds will go to the Red Cross to help with Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.  
Smith Union, 2 p.m.

### Monday

#### *Seminar Talk*

Listen to a lecture about the German Enigma encryption machine. Learn about its development, its use, and its weaknesses that were exploited during World War II.  
Room 217, Searles Science Building, 3:30 p.m.

#### *Conquest and Colonialism*

Join Professor Emeritus of History Thomas Metcalf as he speaks on the Indian Army and the British Empire in Africa and the Middle East.  
Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center, 4 p.m.

#### *Americans for an Informed Democracy*

Learn how U.S. dependence on foreign oil impacts our world and what can be done to lessen this dependency.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 8 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### *Literary Presentation*

Biographer Geoffrey Wolff, director of the Graduate Fiction program at the University of California in Irvine, gives a reading from his untitled novel-in-progress.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 4-6 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### *Habitat for Humanity*

Come to a dinner and get to know other volunteers by discussing completed projects and planning new activities.  
North Private Dining Room, Moulton Union, 5:30-7 p.m.

### Thursday

#### *The Real Inspector Hound*

See this comic play written by Tom Stoppard and directed by Mark Herzfeld '07.  
Wish Theater, Memorial Hall, 8-10 p.m.



Nathan Chaffetz for The Bowdoin Orient

An aerial view of the Bowdoin campus.



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## Schuberth questions Cornell du Houx's motives

*Campus responds to criticism of student Marine's impending deployment*

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

As Maine College Democrats President Alex Cornell du Houx '06, a vocal opponent of the War in Iraq, prepares for his upcoming active duty with the U.S. Marines in Iraq, members of the Bowdoin community are responding to the news of his deployment with shock, gratitude, and in some cases, criticism.

"I applaud Mr. Houx [sic] for his service, just as I applaud any other soldier who is brave enough to take up arms in defense of this country," Dan Schuberth '06, secretary of the College Republican National Committee, said in a statement aired on a Bowdoin Cable Network news broadcast this week.

"I find it troubling, however," Schuberth continued, "that one of the most vocal opponents of our president, our country and our mission in Iraq has chosen to fight for a

## Fall paves paths of gold



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Parents will arrive just in time to experience the Quad in its autumnal glory. See the back-page calendar for a schedule of weekend events.

cause he claims is wrong. Mr. Houx's [sic] rhetoric against the war on terror places him in agreement with the most radical fringes of the Democratic Party, and I am left to question his logic and motivation."

When contacted by the Orient, Schuberth said, "I stand by my comments."

President Mills responded to Schuberth's comment in an interview with the Orient, saying, "I have enormous admiration for Alex. I

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## College construction on schedule, budget



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Hyde Hall, gutted by a construction crew, is being renovated alongside Appleton Hall this year to prepare for the Class of 2010's arrival.

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

As campus-wide construction continues, some students are becoming increasingly agitated and resigned to the prospect of additional disruption. While acknowledging the necessity of the construction, students expressed their frustration with the noise and aesthetic problems

generated by the numerous projects. "The benefits of construction are important but at the same time they're not taking completely into consideration the desires of current students," Will Voinot-Baron '07 said.

"To see the Quad with construction on it and to know that it's going

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## Mills supports 'no' vote on Question 1

*"Queers and Allies" works separately to unite campus against referendum question*

by Dan Hackett  
and Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

President Barry Mills announced his plan to vote in opposition of Question 1 November 8 in a letter to the Orient this week.

If passed, the referendum would repeal legislation passed last spring that makes it illegal to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation in housing, employment, credit, public accommodations, and education. Religious corporations, associations, or organizations that do not receive public funds are exempt from this provision.

"As a Brunswick resident and cit-

izen of Maine," Mills stated in the letter, "I believe current efforts to repeal these protections at the polls in November are wrong and inconsistent with the fundamental principle of equality in America."

Mills cited Bowdoin's longstanding position against discrimination in the letter, and said that "the protections provided by Bowdoin College to its students, faculty, and staff do not promote one lifestyle over another. They simply provide equal footing for all to participate in our learning community."

Mills's decision to publicly oppose Question 1 pleased the newly formed Queers & Allies (Q&A) organization, a group that has taken on the mission of opposing Question 1. The organization planned on publicly

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## Grade inflation a Bowdoin reality

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Following a national trend, Bowdoin is seeing a consistent pattern of grade inflation, with students earning a rising number of As and Bs across the different academic disciplines.

According to Director of Institutional Research and Registrar Christine Cote, the average grade increases every year. The average grade earned by students has increased from 3.20 to 3.33 on a four-point scale in the last ten years.

Cote noted that grade inflation is not at all specific to Bowdoin, and said that colleges across the nation are seeing similar trends.

Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley agreed.

"I think you'll find that grade inflation is a fact of life in colleges and universities," Bradley said. "The corollary is monetary inflation, but they differ in one important way—monetary inflation does not have a fixed ceiling, whereas grade inflation does [an A or 4.0]. This means that grade inflation causes compression at the top," he said.

Princeton University, whose students were also earning increasingly high grades, recently embarked on a campaign against grade inflation. It aims to reduce the percentage of As distributed to no more than 35 percent in undergraduate courses and no more than 55 percent in junior and senior independent work, according to a recent article in The Chronicle of Higher Education.

One of the measures taken in reducing the number of As distributed by Princeton professors was to eliminate the so-called "mercy A-minus."

Though the vast majority of academic departments at Princeton saw declines in the number of As distributed, none reached the objective of 35 percent. In the 2004-2005 academic year, 40.9 percent of grades were As, compared to 46 percent

during the previous academic year.

Because Princeton students are being evaluated not just on the grades they receive, but rather within the context of their college and its policies, some question whether grade inflation is a particularly serious issue, or whether new grades are being assigned in spite of similar standards of evaluation.

According to Daniel Levine, a history professor at Bowdoin, "The letters they give are different but the meaning is the same. They haven't changed the standards in looking at quality of work...The grading process hasn't been too disrupted."

Professor of English William Watterson said the trend of rising

grades is due to the rising caliber of the Bowdoin student body.

"There has been some grade inflation, but I think the students are better prepared and smarter than those who were here in '76," Watterson said. "The middle range is demonstrably stronger," he said.

Watterson attributed the rising caliber of Bowdoin students in part to the leadership of Interim Dean of Admissions Richard Steele, and said Steele "did an amazing job of improving Bowdoin's image. He exercised high standards and got the word out that Bowdoin was improving itself rapidly," in effect creating

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## Dudley Coe considers limited weekend hours

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

With the flu, mono, and fuzzy memories of the Saturday night before abounding at Bowdoin, some students are questioning why the health center is closed during the weekends. Dudley Coe Health Center is currently closed from 5 p.m. on Friday until the following Monday morning.

"Health problems don't stop just because the Dudley Coe Health Center is closed," Lindsay Bruett '09 said.

"I think it's a legitimate issue that

women don't have access to Plan B [on the weekends]," said Maine Hall Head Proctor Joel Presti '06. Plan B is emergency contraception available to female students through the health center.

Many students have been asking officials why the health center is closed during what may be the most active time of the week.

"Lately there has been a lot of interest expressed by students," said Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster.

In the past, student health care

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# Grade inflation a reality at Bowdoin and universities nationwide; College officials not overly concerned

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a "homogeneity of high-quality students." Before Steele returned to Bowdoin this year to serve as interim director, he served as the College's dean of admissions for a decade, retiring in 2001.

While attracting an increasingly strong student body can account for Bowdoin's grade inflation trends, it fails to explain the presence of grade inflation at colleges at which the caliber of students is not rising to the same or similar extent as it is at Bowdoin.

While Bradley agrees that grade inflation is in large part due to the strength of the Bowdoin student body, he addresses a potential nega-

tive impact that it can have even on Bowdoin's high-performing students, saying, "One implication of this is that students with what I consider excellent grades will not necessarily be named Sarah and James Bowdoin Scholars, which is awarded to the top 20 percent of students in each class."

Amid this trend in grade inflation, Bowdoin transitioned this past year from the credit/fail option to a credit/D/fail option. Until this year, students had two weeks rather than six to declare such an option.

Previously, students were able to take courses that were perhaps more outside of their comfort zones and receive credit for grades of D and higher.

Bowdoin student Alex Reed '07 found the credit/D/fail policy to be convenient.

"I decided to take a music class credit/D/fail, and I feel like that made it easier to appreciate what I was being taught. That decision also took away lots of pressure, especially since I had no musical background," he said.

The move toward the credit/D/fail system was made in part due to the fact that credit/fail courses were unable to count toward a major because it allowed for "the hidden D" which the currently implemented credit/D/fail option exposes, thus making it easier to monitor a student's academic progress and encourage them to remain engaged

in the class material.

Students may take as many as four out of the required 32 courses ungraded, though only one at a time in a normal four-course load. While most departments require that courses taken to fulfill major requirements be graded, those taken to fulfill distribution requirements may be ungraded.

According to Cote, 9.3 percent of courses last year were ungraded, compared to 8.6 percent the year prior. Cote said this increase may also be because of the deadline extension.

Many of the courses taken ungraded are to fulfill distribution requirements, in which students may be taking classes in areas in which they are less strong or comfortable.

According to Professor of Biology Barry Logan, as many as 50 to 70 percent of students take non-major science courses ungraded.

In contrast to teaching classes under the credit/fail option with which students did not necessarily remain engaged in the class material, Logan said, "In a credit/D/fail

class, I didn't feel it negatively affected the discourse of the class even though 50 to 60 percent took it credit/D/fail. At first I was worried but in the end I was satisfied."

The trends of grade inflation at Bowdoin also played a role in this decision to consider only grades of C and above for credit.

"It is a reality that grade inflation has made the threshold of a D insufficient for making sure that students

are engaged in the class. The bar of a D may not be enough. Philosophically, that's problematic," said Logan.

While this move is aimed at encouraging students' involvement in course material and continued academic success at Bowdoin, it has not been met with an entirely positive response.

"I'm all for the credit/fail option but I disagree with the philosophy behind the credit/D/fail system. It defeats the whole purpose," said Reed. "Having the possibility of getting a D in the course you've elected to take credit/fail adds the type of academic pressure that the credit/fail system was meant to eliminate," he said.

*"There has been some grade inflation, but I think the students are better prepared and smarter than those who were here in '76."*

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## President Mills urges students, voters to oppose Question 1 in upcoming election

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asking Mills to draft a personal statement opposing the referendum.

Asked in an interview with the Orient if the group influenced his decision to write the letter, Mills said, "That's not what drove me to write it."

He said he had been planning to take a position before he knew the group existed.

Last spring marked the third time this legislation has passed in Augusta; the first two times it was narrowly repealed in referendums like the one Maine voters will face in less than two weeks.

If the referendum passes again, Mills said in the interview that he "would not support any changes in Bowdoin's current policies." Such policies prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation at Bowdoin in ways similar to the legislation recently passed in Augusta.

Asked if he has any concern that his endorsement will marginalize members of the College community who support the referendum, Mills said, "People always disagree. No one should feel marginalized because people disagree."

The letter came just four days after Mills released an official statement from the College's Bias Incident Group denouncing discrimination on campus. The Bias Incident Group's letter, sent via email to all students, faculty, and staff, was in reaction to an act of vandalism deemed by the group to be discriminatory in nature (see page 3 for details).

Bernie Hershberger, director of the College's counseling services and a leader of Q&A, expressed excitement upon hearing of Mills's letter. "I am thrilled that President Mills is willing to take such a courageous and principled stance against referendum

one," he said.

"It sends a clear message that Bowdoin College is gay affirmative and that students, faculty, and staff can feel safe in being fully themselves inclusive of their sexual orientation," said Hershberger.

Hershberger and Q&A spent the week collecting signatures from faculty, staff, and students who oppose a "yes" vote on 1. The signatures appear with an official statement from the organization in a paid advertisement in this week's Orient.

According to Munny Munford '07, Mills's statement affirms Q&A's mission as an organization committed to securing a safe environment for all students, faculty, staff, and community members.

Munford recently expressed concern that, "because of the urgency under which we are working to get the signatures ready for publication [in the Orient], we may not actually capture a true representation of our support amongst the community."

She stressed that even after the signatures are featured in the Orient, efforts would continue to "rally signatures for the pure visualization and display of support within the College community."

"So often, we lose the appearance of a united community. The point of collecting signatures is to help create a more unified voice against proposition one from within the community," Munford said.

Mills's letter did not mark the first time he has publicly taken a stance on a political issue. As part of his remarks at the rededication of the Bowdoin Chapel last fall, Mills spoke out against a tax question facing Maine voters called the "Palesky tax cap." He called the cap, which ultimately failed to pass, "bad policy and bad law."

# Faculty retention may pose fewer challenges than students perceive

*Professors leave for personal reasons, larger research institutions*

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

As a small institution located in Maine, Bowdoin faces some challenges in retaining faculty members.

Although the official data regarding Bowdoin's faculty retention rates are not available, according to Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Nancy Jennings, two tenure-track professors left Bowdoin in the 2004-2005 school year.

Jennings believes the issue of faculty retention at Bowdoin is "not all that huge of a problem." With more than half of all faculty on tenured contracts, and many others on tenure-track contracts, faculty members, for the most part, tend to stay at Bowdoin.

"Because of visiting professors [30 percent of all faculty], students perceive there are a lot more issues with retention," said Jennings, "but percentage-wise, very few of our ongoing or tenure-track professors leave."

Marc Hetherington and Eddie Glaude, two high-profile professors who left Bowdoin in years past to pursue faculty positions elsewhere, spoke to the Orient about their experiences.

Hetherington, a former professor in the Department of Government and Legal Studies, had been at Bowdoin for six years prior to leaving last year for Vanderbilt University.

In an interview with the Orient, Hetherington shared his motives for leaving Bowdoin.

"The most important reason was the location of my family. My wife and I have two little boys, and we wanted to live nearer to our parents," Hetherington said. "And there was the weather."

Hetherington noted that the benefits of a larger, research institution did not play a central role in his decision to leave Bowdoin.

"Bowdoin proved a great place for me and all the people in my cohort of incoming professors to do good research," he said.

He acknowledged the book review of Professor of English Pete Coviello and the career grant won by Professor of Computer Science Eric Chown as accomplishments that "make it clear that Bowdoin is a place where out-

my son in a more diverse community," he said.

He notes that working with graduate students at Princeton has been a rewarding experience.

"It has been exciting to watch grad students encounter cutting-edge work," Glaude said.

"People leave for lots of reasons—many of them are personal," Jennings said. She also said that professors tend to leave Bowdoin not because of institutional reasons, but in order to take advantage of other opportunities.

Both Hetherington and Glaude made it clear that their decision to leave Bowdoin, however, was not because of dissatisfaction with the school.

"Bowdoin is an extraordinary place," Glaude said. "I enjoyed every minute of my time there—I just needed to move on, and we needed a much more diverse environment."

Hetherington loved

the close-knit community of a smaller school. "An outstanding small college in a

small town allows you to meet interesting and engaging people across disciplinary bounds."

The loss of such "incredible" professors may cause students to think that there is more of a problem with faculty retention than there actually is, noted Jennings.

"We all loved Marc [Hetherington] and Eddie [Glaude]—these kinds of stellar cases make it easy to think of it as a bigger trend than it may actually be," Jennings said.

"Marc and Eddie went to outstanding institutions—I might feel differently if they were going to Williams or some place very comparable to us," she said.

*"Because of visiting professors, students perceive there are a lot more issues with retention."*

Nancy Jennings  
Associate Dean of Academic Affairs

standing research and teaching go hand in hand."

Hetherington did recognize, however, that there are advantages to being on the faculty at larger institutions. At Vanderbilt, there is "a lot of collaboration on research and I produce more research overall."

Glaude is a religion and African-American studies professor who left Bowdoin after six years to teach at Princeton University. His last year at Bowdoin was 1991.

"There were a couple of factors that affected my decision," Glaude said. "I was recruited by the No. 1 institution, and it was an honor to return to my grad school. In addition, I wanted to raise

# Oil debate heated



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Environmentalism Deron Lovass spoke at Monday night's oil panel about America's "addiction to oil" and possible solutions.

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

Three oil-dependency experts debated possible policies for alleviating rising gas prices earlier this week. The panel, sponsored by Americans for Informed Democracy (AID) at Bowdoin presented the event to raise awareness and dialogue on campus around issues of foreign oil dependency.

The event, held on Monday in Kresge Auditorium, began with a presentation by Deron Lovass, an environmentalist on the Natural Resources Defense Council, about the general facts of U.S. oil dependency. He suggested a three-step program to rid ourselves of our "addiction to oil." Lovass's plan included increased efficiency, recommending the use of hybrid cars and alternative fuels—such as ethanol, and expanded public transportation.

Erin Turban '06, who leads the Bowdoin chapter of AID with Mike Aikins '08, commented on the relevancy of oil dependency.

"I think the event was very appropriate in the wake of hurricanes Katrina and Rita, because gas prices are something that have currently been on people's minds and that people want to learn more about," she said.

Dr. Brian Roach, a Research Associate at Tufts University, took the stand next. He argued that gas prices are too low, and that to properly reflect the negative externalities of the oil market, the government should place high taxes on gas. He

pointed to the high gas prices of European countries as a model for the United States.

"I was especially interested by Brian Roach," said Morgan MacLeod '09. "It surprised me that a lot of economists think that gas is underpriced. His plan made sense to me."

Dr. Mario Lewis, a senior fellow at the Competitive Enterprise Institute, took a much more conservative stance. Describing himself as "not a petroleum-dependence alarmist," Lewis suggested a laissez-faire approach to oil dependency. He argued that we should allow the market to take its course, and noted that although the biggest oil exporters in the world happen to be hostile to the United States, the United States gets most of its oil from itself, followed by Canada and Mexico. According to Lewis, his main problem with Roach's high tax plan had little to do with the theory, but with the practicality. He argued that Americans would never allow a public official to raise their already-high gas prices.

After the three panelists presented their arguments, they held a short question-and-answer session with the audience of approximately 50 people.

"I was very happy with the way the event went," Turban said. "One of the main things that our group strives to do is an open forum where people from across the political spectrum can discuss their opinions on global issues, so therefore it was really rewarding to see that happen at our event."

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

### Bias Incident Group reacts to hateful act of vandalism

Bowdoin's Bias Incident Group reacted to an incident of vandalism deemed by the group to be discriminatory via an email sent to all students, staff, and faculty by President Barry Mills last week.

According to the email, a member of the senior class "discovered that someone had defaced her property, scratching the word 'fag' into the paint on the back of her car." The incident, believed to have occurred last weekend, was reported to the College last Monday.

The group judged the incident "a despicable act of hostility, as well as a criminal act of damage to property," and stated that "there can be no other response from the College than unequivocal condemnation of the act and of the perpetrator, and full support for the student whose car was vandalized."

The letter emphasized that Bowdoin is a community "fundamentally devoted to intellectual and scholarly pursuits. Our diversity of background, experience, talent, and vision is what keeps us vibrant and ever-changing." The letter stated that although the group "encourages free expression of opinion, we

deprecate acts such as this that are vicious and criminal in nature or recklessly indifferent to the feelings of others, and that attempt to silence others and breed fear in this academic community."

### Meddies organize January tour in Seoul, South Korea

The Meddiebempsters, one of Bowdoin's all-male a cappella groups, is making arrangements to tour in Seoul, South Korea, over winter break.

Possible tour plans to date include concerts at Seoul Foreign School, Seoul International School, Yonsei University Medical Center, and a number of schools ranging from elementary to university levels. The Meddies are also considering performances for Korean National Television, the U.S. Embassy in Seoul, and U.S. military installations in and around the city, according to group member Will Hales '08.

"This trip exemplifies what the Meddies have accomplished in the past 68 years as representatives of Bowdoin College," said Hales. "This year, we are making our presence known globally, and are extremely excited about the opportunities that presents."

Former Ambassador to Korea and

current Assistant Secretary of State Christopher Hill '74 is serving as a contact for the Meddies during the trip's organization.

### Canada '74 listed among top 25 leaders in America

Geoffrey Canada '74 was named one of America's best 25 leaders by U.S. News & World Report in this upcoming Monday's issue.

Canada is the president and CEO of the Harlem Children's Zone, a non-profit organization that serves 8,600 children in low-income areas of New York by offering pre-school, mentoring, anti-violence initiatives, and smart-parenting classes to neighborhood families.

Stanley Druckenmiller '75 was on the Rhedden Centers for Children and Families Board of Trustees when Canada approached it with his vision of an educational safe-haven in Harlem.

"I was struck by its boldness," Druckenmiller said in Canada's U.S. News profile.

Also making the list of top leaders are Colin Powell, Oprah Winfrey, Condoleezza Rice, and Bill and Melinda Gates.

—Compiled by Dan Hackett and Anne Riley.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cat Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

Attendance: 23 of 26. Absent: Allison Chin '07, Carolyn Chu '07, Emily Goodridge '08.

BSG voted against endorsing an academic bill of rights, which supporters claim would safeguard conservative academic speech in the classroom. The bill was recently passed at Bates College.

Three members voted in favor of the bill and 16 voted against it, with three abstaining. Several members felt that BSG should create an academic bill of rights specific to the Bowdoin community rather than using the more generic model proposed. The Academic Affairs Committee will raise the issue among students to gather opinion.

—An official BSG spending policy was unanimously passed. The policy allows members of the officer team to authorize any purchase under \$100 or a purchase that exceeds \$100 in the case of an emergency. Normally, any purchase over \$100 would be voted upon by the body.

BSG voted unanimously against partially funding a David Bowie impersonator who will be performing in concert at Bowdoin in late November.

The shuttle service will begin on November 1.

There will be two buses bringing students to the football game at Bates on November 5.

Facilities is looking into starting a Bowdoin bike exchange.

There will be no bartending classes offered this semester.

## Dudley Coe Health Center discusses viability of pilot program to test need for limited weekend hours

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was more readily available. Dudley Coe Health Center used to be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. In 1990, it was decided that with the Midcoast and Parkview health centers in close proximity, the money used to keep the Health Center open could be better employed elsewhere. However, the health center remained open during the day until weekend hours were eliminated completely in 1996.

"The time it was being used on the weekends was so limited that it was eliminated," Foster said. "At some point, one has to see that there is not

high demand for [certain services] and make changes [accordingly]."

A number of students feel that the demand for weekend hours has returned. "The student population has steadily risen, and I think it's important to have the option no matter what," said Kate Ambash '08. Ambash is currently working to overcome mononucleosis. "It's an outrage that they can close at 5 p.m. on Friday when illnesses don't stop."

For students that get sick on weekends, the administration has pointed to both Parkview and Midcoast as viable alternatives.

"We have two really fine hospitals

nearby, unlike some of our peer schools," Foster said. "If a student ever needs to go to the hospital, and security can't drive them, security can call Brunswick Taxi and it will be paid for by the health center."

However, transportation isn't the only issue with going to Midcoast or Parkview, according to Ambash, since hospitals charge a \$25 to \$50 co-pay with each visit.

"I'm lucky to be able to pay that when I need to go, but I'm sure that isn't an option for every student on campus," she said.

A few students feel strongly enough about the subject to take action. For Bowdoin Women's Association (BWA) President Allison Driver '08, the weekend health issue is nothing new.

"Last year we decided that there were two big reasons we needed to get behind this issue—emergency contraception should be available on weekends, and women's health is everyone's health, it doesn't stop over the weekend," she said.

Driver took her complaints before the administration. "We were told it was a budget issue, and that we had to have really good evidence," she said.

The BWA decided not to give up and held a large survey in the spring.

This year, the BWA has appealed to Vice President of Facilities Will Donahoe '08. Donahoe talked to Foster and College Physician and Director of Health Services Dr. Jeff Benson.

"Apparently it has been an ongoing discussion for years, but never really went through," Donahoe said.

Sunday—totaling some \$9,000-\$10,000 per academic year," said Benson.

With these costs in mind, the Bowdoin administration has been discussing the idea of having Dudley Coe open for a set amount of time—the eight weeks following Thanksgiving break—to assess the demand and benefits.

"What are the students' needs?"

That is the key question," Foster said. "We don't have any real concrete data, precisely because we aren't open on weekends."

Donahoe emphasized the tentativeness of the plan.

"This is a prototype, a pilot program," he said.

"We need to see if it's worthwhile first."

If the plan goes through, it will only be active for that eight weeks. There will then be discussion of the viability of having it open year-round.

"It's tricky to do something and take it away. We don't want to create a false expectation," Foster said.

*"What are the students' needs? That is the key question. We don't have any real concrete data, precisely because we aren't open on weekends."*

Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster

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# Fundraiser aids Rwandan children

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Seventeen Bowdoin students and Brunswick community members participated in the Ride for Rwanda to benefit the Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation.

With the help of additional Bowdoin students and the Bowdoin Cycling Club, Morgan MacLeod '09 organized the bike ride fundraiser. Participants followed one of two routes—either 15 or 45 miles long—from Brunswick to

Freeport last Saturday. The participants collected donations, and many of them made personal contributions. The riders managed to collect approximately \$680, which will be donated to Rusesabagina's foundation.

MacLeod said that he was inspired to organize Ride for Rwanda after seeing *Hotel Rwanda* and attending Paul Rusesabagina's Common Hour lecture last month.

"[Genocide] is something you hear about on the news, but you never actually see it or meet people

like Mr. Rusesabagina in person who have actually experienced these things. It's so far away that no one can relate to it," MacLeod said.

According to event participant Charles Stern '09, "Ride for Rwanda was a great success. We were able to raise a good sum of money for the foundation."

"Morgan deserves all the credit for this event's success. He stuck with it from the beginning," Stern said.

The Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation supports children who were orphaned and women who were abused during the 1994 genocide.

According to the foundation's web site (<http://www.hrrfoundation.org>), there are about 500,000 orphans in Rwanda, and many Rwandan women are deeply traumatized from the emotional and physical effects of the rape and abuse they suffered during the genocide.

The foundation also provides aid to other African nations experiencing similar conflicts. The purpose of Rusesabagina's organization is to help victims of the genocide, to learn about it, and to prevent such events from happening again.

"The most abusive words that I hear are 'never again,'" Rusesabagina said during his lecture at Bowdoin. "Have we learned from history? I do not know."

# Schuberth's comments regarding Cornell du Houx's deployment anger some

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would never question the motivation of any person in the military."

"All we should be doing is supporting and applauding their efforts," Mills said in regards to Marines who are serving.

Cornell du Houx also responded to Schuberth's allegations. "I find it sad and disappointing that certain members of the College Republicans would question my or anyone's motivations for going to Iraq when we are risking our lives for them and all Americans."

"I am dedicated to my country through community service, political service and military service and I challenge them to do the same," he said.

Various internet blogs outside of the Bowdoin community had postings about Schuberth's statement at the Orient's time of press.

The campus response to Schuberth's remarks has been visible and in some cases, livid.

"As a soldier who's going to be on the front lines of Mr. Bush's war, Alex has the right to question the priorities of this president and his incompetence throughout his management of Iraq," Bowdoin College Democrats Co-President Frank Chi '07 said.

"It's not right when the president is not serving our troops as well as our troops are serving us. As long as these irresponsible mistakes are made, every American has the right to question how this president is managing this war," he said.

Other students agree that Schuberth's public remark raises concern.

"Absolute uniformity of opinion is bad for any institution," Joshua Cippel '08 said. "We certainly would not want an all-Republican or an all-Democratic armed service protecting Americans at home and abroad."

"If anything, America needs more people who, like Alex, can look beyond their own interests and opinions and take part in a cause that is larger than themselves," he said.

Chi emphasized that Cornell du Houx's decision to join the Marines preceded his fervent interest in politics. "Alex became interested in the Marines in high school, long before his political perspectives became a major part of his life," Chi said.

"I can only imagine the internal conflict Alex is facing because he will be fighting in a war he neither supported nor felt justified," Bowdoin Student Government President DeRay McKesson '07 said. "I have faith that he'll do the job that he signed up for and he'll do it well."

When asked for comment about Cornell du Houx's deployment in Iraq, Bowdoin Republicans President Alex Linhart '06 said, "Another article eh? Maybe run an entire section about him."

Linhart continued, "I thank Alex for his service to his country and wish him well in Iraq."

He said he could not comment for the College Republicans on Schuberth's statement.

# Campus construction projects cause students frustration

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to be there until I graduate is kind of frustrating, because the Quad is the nexus of the campus."

Three major projects are in progress. Renovations of the Walker Art Building and first-year dormitories Appleton and Hyde are adjacent to the Quad, and work on the old Curtis Pool, to be turned into a recital hall, is affecting the Dudley Coe Quad in front of Smith Union.

According to Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley, all three projects are on schedule and within their budgets.

"We've had some increases in cost

because of the increases in price of concrete and steel," Longley said. The increases have not pushed the projects beyond budget, however.

Director of Capital Projects Donald Borkowski also acknowledged the effects of the construction, but stressed that the sheer quantity of construction is as abnormal as the location.

"These three all happen to hit at the same time right in the middle of the campus," Borkowski said.

Longley emphasized the importance of the work and was concerned about the perception of the campus by visitors this weekend.

"I think it's a good news story for the parents because they're going to

see the commitment we're making to the program," Longley said. "I think you need to take the long view, that it'll be a couple years of disruption, but it will be a 30-, 40-, 50-year impact."

According to Longley, the three projects were not planned to be in progress all at the same time.

"We never planned to be doing all these simultaneously but since they were gift-funded, when the money comes in, we take the opportunity to build the building," she said referencing the art building and recital hall.

"The dorms are debt-financed, so it's coincidental that they're being done at the same time," she said.

The residents of Coleman Hall say the construction has affected them most severely. During orientation, many students were awoken early in the morning by the construction. In addition, many residents believe that some of the electricity used by the construction crews has been coming from Coleman, resulting in an increase in electricity use, placing the hall in last place in the College's annual energy-saving competition.

"The residents of Coleman are just as concerned about the energy crisis and conservation as anyone else, but it's hard to be an active competitor when our efforts are being hamstrung by the construction," said Proctor Will Hales '08.

Other inhabitants of Coleman said the construction was affecting their social lives.

"If freshmen were living in those dorms we'd be a lot less isolated," said Karen Remi '09. "We're the only dorm around here."

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## An Interview With The Speaker

The Orient's Evan Kohn talks with Maine's speaker of the house, John Richardson, about the state legislature, student aid, Wal-Mart, BNAS 10 years from now, and a new "mission" he challenges Bowdoin to take on.

Courtesy of the Office of Speaker John Richardson

### Conversations with Maine's Political Leaders

Second in a series

After an interview with Governor John Baldacci last week, I recently sat down with Maine's speaker of the house and one of Brunswick's state representatives, John Richardson, and posed a variety of questions relevant to the College community.

Richardson, a Democrat in his fourth term, represents the 63rd state district in Maine, which includes the southern portion of Brunswick and all of the Bowdoin campus. His role as speaker consists of presiding over and managing the daily operation of the House, and appointing members to committees. Richardson lives in Brunswick, and he and his wife, a physician, have three children.

**Evan Kohn:** Speaker, in your remarks to the opening session of the House last December, you said, "All speaking is part of an ongoing conversation that starts with listening." As speaker, you pledged to listen, and challenged your fellow representatives to work together and set aside their individual agendas. Have they in the past year, and are representatives working together in Augusta?

**Speaker John Richardson:** By and large members set aside their own personal differences to do the people's business. I think the proof of that point is that 71 percent of the bills that have come through the various bipartisan committees have been either unanimously agreed to or rejected. That's a very high number. I think that's a testament that people are listening and responding.

**EK:** In regards to the closing of Brunswick Naval Air Station (BNAS), you've said, "With an aggressive redevelopment plan for the base, we can position Brunswick and all of Mid-Coast Maine for a continued vibrant economic future." As a member of the Brunswick Local Redevelopment

Authority (LRA), how do you envision the BNAS space in 10 years?

**SJR:** Well, I hope that it has a military component and a viable commercial airport—one where you might see such things as L.L. Bean transporting its air freight through BNAS on rail cars that could be connected to the distribution center. I'd like to look at creating the capacity such as in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island where lobsters would be transported by air throughout the nation. We live right in the Mid-Coast region, and you would imagine that one of the hangars and facilities of the BNAS could be converted into a wholesale seafood distribution center. I could foresee the unmanned aerial vehicle being tested here because of the large runways and unencumbered air space, and with that I could see a lot of aerospace research facilities popping up within the boundaries of the former naval air station. I could see a boat-building facility emerge on-site. The boat-building industry is that fastest-growing industry in the state of Maine. I could see workforce housing develop-

Please see RICHARDSON, page 11

## A Day in Maine: good times at Moody's Diner

by Emily Gabranski  
CONTRIBUTOR

Florida license plates flank those from Maine, Massachusetts, and New York in the parking lot of Moody's Diner of Waldoboro, Maine. On a brisk October afternoon, the orange depicted on the license plate of the "Sunshine State" is distinctly out of place in Down East Maine; however, at Moody's diner it is no less welcome than the minivan from Illinois, the RV from Minnesota, or the Maine pick-up truck.

It is this familiar and welcoming atmosphere that attracts both locals and tourists to Moody's Diner. Upon entering the building, visitors are greeted by the sights and sounds of a busy restaurant: pots and pans clang together in the kitchen, waitresses run between tables and behind the counter, and contented patrons read the paper while sipping hot coffee.

Amidst all this turmoil, a sure sense of calm is perceptible. The head waitress recognizes visitor's presence saying, "It'll just be a minute for a booth, dear." The 30-second wait proves wholly worthwhile: cushioned benches, Formica tabletops, and vintage salt shakers create the perfect 1950s table setting.

With green linoleum floors and cheerful curtains on the window, Moody's Diner exudes the charm of the '50s. This is unsurprising, since the restaurant has kept many of the same features since

its opening, more than seven decades ago, in 1930.

Although it began business in the '30s, its ascent to popularity and fame coincided with the advent of travel by automobile during the summer vacations of the 1950s. The casual, home-like environment at this Down East landmark has not changed since that time, even though the building has been expanded, most recently to accommodate about 108 guests.

One-hundred eight diners seems like less at Moody's Diner; booths provide an element of privacy and the atmosphere is pleasingly quiet. Service is immediate, since there are enough green apron-clad waitresses to serve double the maximum occupancy of the diner. The complete experience is not unlike being served lunch at home by a mother; the waitress is careful to point out the specials of the day and refers to everyone as "Dear" or "Honey."

This experience has widespread appeal to both local clientele and those traveling from other areas. Moody's Diner is equally eager to provide a meal of comfort foods, including haddock fish chowder, grilled cheese sandwiches, and chocolate cream pie to a weary traveler as a cup of coffee and homemade chocolate doughnuts to a retired businessman.

The range of clientele present

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## "Moderate" drinking not necessarily safe

Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: Is moderate drinking safe? L.C.

Dear L.C.: That may be a complicated question. It depends on what you mean by moderate!

For moderate drinking to be safe, you need to drink a safe amount and do so at a safe rate. To understand what this means, you need to know the basics of alcohol metabolism and blood alcohol content (BAC).

The alcohol content of one shot of 80-proof liquor is the same as that of a 12-ounce bottle of beer and the same as that of a five-ounce glass of wine. On average, our bodies need about one hour to metabolize each drink.

Take a look at the BAC tables (available on the web at <http://orient.bowdoin.edu>). Let's say you're a 140-pound woman.

If you drink two beers over two hours, you'll raise your BAC to 0.045, and you'll likely experience relatively mild effects on your higher functions. If you drink four beers over two hours, you'll end up with a BAC of 0.115. That might leave you in a stage of "euphoria," or, more likely, depending on your own particular metabolism and neurophysiology, in the more compromised state of "excitement."

"Excitement," here, is only meant neurologically. When you're "neurologically excited," you become uncoordinated, disoriented, and lose your ability to think critically. You can't react quickly, and you may not be able to remember clearly what's happening to you. So at this point, for instance, you're unlikely to be able to consent meaningfully to sex.

Now if you do shots instead of beer, say eight shots over those same two hours, you'll end up with a BAC of 0.245, which would definitely launch you into a state of "confusion," and probably bring you close to "stupor." Two additional shots, over that

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## Drinking safety depends on BAC

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same period of time, might put you into a coma.

Drinking moderately involves more than just avoiding alcohol poisoning. The national statistics are impressive.

Drinking contributes to 500,000 injuries and 1,400 deaths on college campuses each year. These are huge numbers. Meningitis, for instance, which continues to attract a great deal of attention as a student health risk, affects about 100 college students nationally each year, and, very fortunately, kills fewer than ten.

The 1,400 deaths are mainly caused by motor vehicle accidents. A small number are due to falls and drownings. Homicides and suicides are not included in these numbers, even if alcohol-related.

Each year 400,000 college students have unprotected sex because of drinking.

Drinking contributes to 70,000 reported cases of sexual assault or date rape.

Up to 90 percent of sexual assaults on college campuses involve the use or abuse of alcohol.

These numbers are so staggering that they may seem difficult to relate to our individual experiences and behaviors. Statistics are hard to apply to individuals. And yet, these data represent a summary of a very large number of actual individual experiences and behaviors, and in the aggregate, raise very challenging concerns about the safety of drink-

ing on college campuses.

What does this all mean for each of us? For some of us, it means that it's just not worth it to drink at all. For a significant and growing number of students, that seems to be the right approach.

For those of us who choose to drink, it means we need to drink responsibly and safely. That means doing our part to protect ourselves and our friends. It means pacing ourselves and knowing our BAC limits. It means not drinking alone and whatever else we may do, never, ever drinking and driving.

To your health!

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center



## A Day in Maine: happy times at Moody's Diner

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at Moody's Diner is a testament to its charm. At one table a grandmother and granddaughter share lunch. They speak quickly and comfortably, stopping only to take bites of their grilled cheese sandwich and lobster roll. They come to Moody's Diner at least once a month to have lunch together.

Directly behind them, two older women sit with an older man, each with his or her own piece of pie. The party of three: a husband, wife, and mother-in-law, sit together silently devouring their desserts. They do not look up as their forks delve into



Outside Moody's Diner.

thick meringue topping and buttery crust; they are fully enjoying the diner's extensive selection of baked goods.

A mother and her five children are seated at a table in the center of the dining room. They are regulars at the diner; the waitress is able to recite the desires of each

member of the family before they open their mouths. The children love the hamburgers and turkey sandwiches at Moody's: The mother loves the ease of feeding five children without complaints.

At the counter a young couple drink black coffee as they pore over road maps of the surrounding area. They have planned a trip from Illinois to visit relatives and view the Maine fall foliage. As they wait for their meals to come, they discuss the possibility of a trip to Maine next fall with friends from Illinois, specifically to Moody's Diner.

"It is so homey here," the woman exclaims. "Our friends have to see this to believe it."



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A mom and her kids eat at Moody's Diner in. "The children love the hamburgers and turkey sandwiches at Moody's; the mother loves the ease of feeding five children without complaints," says our traveler.

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**T**he Bowdoin community represents families from nearly all socio-economic backgrounds, all forms of wealth, and all levels of income. On campus, there are some who are poor and some who own five yachts. Most are in between.

Some families cannot pay even five percent of tuition. Others can afford to donate a building or two to the College.

For most, a scan of the student body may not produce many visible signs of economic diversity. Those who come from working-class backgrounds, however, are keenly aware of wealth that surrounds them and feel uncomfortable in class, at meals, and especially when talking about plans for winter break. When you are going to work all break at McDonald's, it cannot be easy to hear that your friend is going to spend the winter on his sailboat in the Virgin Islands.

Although 42 percent of stu-

dents are on financial aid, the majority go to school without one dollar of help from the College. Their families pay \$32,650 each year in base tuition, with most spending close to \$41,660 for room, board, and other fees. By comparison, the 1999 median household income in Brunswick, Maine was \$40,402.

Without aid, imagine the population at Bowdoin—"preppy" New Englanders. Indeed, with few exceptions, this was the population of the College every year until the 1950s.

Financial aid is a relatively new concept at colleges and universities. According to Stephen Joyce,

Director of Student Aid at Bowdoin, "Schools had, particularly Harvard and some of the Ivies, made it clear that they wanted to provide opportunities to less wealthy, but very able students. Harvard was a pioneer, and... John Monro [Harvard's director of financial aid in the 1950s] was really the first one to formalize financial aid... He is generally considered to be the father of financial aid."

Bowdoin grad Walter Moulton '58 was the father of financial aid at Bowdoin.

Mr. Moulton spent time in the military and the private sector after graduating from Bowdoin. He became the

College's director of financial aid in 1962. Under Moulton's guidance, Bowdoin began to incorporate aid into the admissions arena. Not only did Bowdoin and other schools show their commitment to crafting well-rounded student bodies, but Joyce believes that collegiate "institutions began more and more to see it as part of their social responsibility to educate students and kids from all economic backgrounds."

Today, Bowdoin's admissions process is need blind. Joyce reports that Bowdoin is among roughly 20 schools in New England and 50 nationwide to use need-blind admissions. The admissions department uses this as a significant tool to lure less wealthy candidates to Brunswick, so, in effect, this expensive school is affordable for all qualified applicants.

Though admissions molds diverse classes, Associate Professor of Sociology Joe Bandy believes that

"in a society where class fundamentally shapes educational opportunity and achievement, colleges seeking high-achieving students likely will admit disproportionate numbers of students from more privileged backgrounds."

According to Bandy, "This means that, even with need-blind admissions, those students defined as 'best' may come from schools and families with greater wealth. If Bowdoin seeks greater class diversity, we need to continue to expand our recruitment of good students from less privileged areas and be very conscious of the class-based assumptions that shape how we define 'best.'"

While need-blind admissions is helpful, Professor Daniel Levine,

Bowdoin, and that "it's an issue for students, one to another, one for faculty, and for leaders of activities including coaches, and certainly an issue for us in [the student aid] office."

Wealth is not only polarizing at Bowdoin, but in society as well. On one of Bandy's PowerPoint slides for his course "Class, Labor, and Power," he reports from the 2000 U.N. Development Report that the "ratio of the average income [in the United States] of the top 20 percent to that of the bottom 20 percent went from 10.2 in 1968 to 14.6 in 2003." The gap between economic classes is widening and creating a visible divide in America.

He also notes from the 2000 U.N. Development Report that the "richest 200 people [in the world] have assets more than \$1 trillion," and that the "top three billionaires have more than the combined assets of the world's poorest 600 million people."

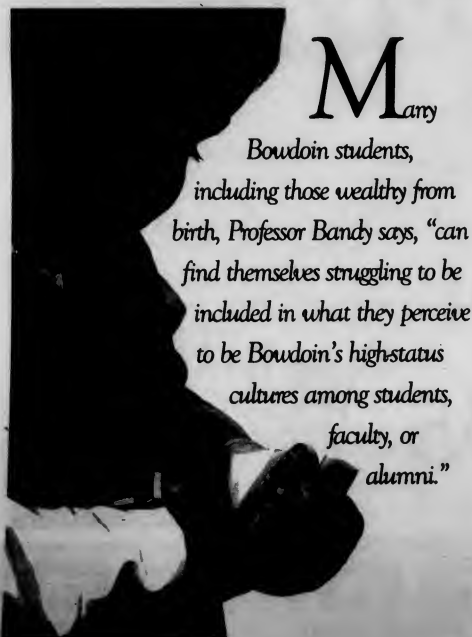
At Bowdoin, this gap is present, though it is not always outwardly noticeable on campus. It is felt on a

student-by-student basis. While "wealth is certainly not polarizing for the faculty," said Levine, there are some students "who have felt uncomfortable in the general atmosphere of wealth at the college."

Because wealth is often difficult to discern from looks alone, whenever discussions focus around high-class activities, it is impossible to know who might be feeling ostracized and uncomfortable.

"[Less wealthy students] can't do things all the things and they haven't done all the things" that wealthy students have, Levine said. "People talk about the last time they went skiing in Switzerland or something and these people haven't been out of Maine or New York City. There's a different environment, and for some people it is uncomfortable," he added.

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Bowdoin students,

including those wealthy from birth, Professor Bandy says, "can find themselves struggling to be included in what they perceive to be Bowdoin's highstatus cultures among students, faculty, or alumni."

Stephen Joyce  
Director of Financial Aid

a Bowdoin faculty member since 1963, suggests that "need blind is a little bit misleading because the need will not be necessarily covered by the financial aid that you get, and for the poorer families, it looks like they have an awful lot of burden left."

Levine has seen countless changes at Bowdoin—physical, academic, philosophical, administrative, demographic. When he began, "there were only two black students on the whole campus," whereas now there are 128 students of color in the class of 2009 alone.

And even though there has been an increase in racial and economic diversity, discomfort is still a part of the Bowdoin experience for many students. Some feel aloof, some unique, and some simply feel awkward.

Joyce acknowledges that "wealth is polarizing" here at

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One first year has yet to encounter any discomfort as a result of wealth "because there is a growing undercurrent of financially-challenged Bowdoin students that takes pride in being from a less fortunate background."

However, another first year admits that she has "been surprised by wealth at Bowdoin." In this new environment, certain situations regarding wealth have shocked her and made her realize that she "didn't know kids existed that had that much money."

Many Bowdoin students, including those wealthy from birth, Bandy said, "can find themselves struggling to be included in what they perceive to be Bowdoin's high-status cultures among students, faculty, or alumni. These students consistently have discussed with me how they feel external to, not a part of, the campus community. Unfortunately, many on campus support this intimidating environment unwittingly by highlighting the role of the college in recruiting and educating the elite."

He admits, through observation, that students, faculty, and alumni want to think that we create leaders. As a result, Bandy believes that this mentality can create a culturally-intimidating environment.

When some people hear "Bowdoin College," they feel an instantaneous distancing from this "elite culture." Other top institutions are viewed just like Bowdoin—as elevated educational factories that do present sometimes intimidating atmospheres. As a result, the average American may feel detached from such schools, and have no intention of penetrating elite society, either for social or economic reasons.

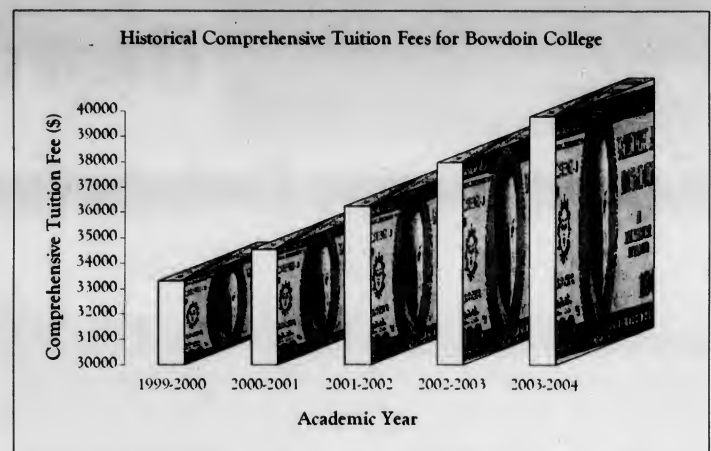
"[Bowdoin is] in tune with the economic diversity of private, small colleges in the Northeast. I mean, a college is expensive...and the poorer working class people just don't want to mostly take on that financial burden," Levine said.

He acknowledges that for some, financially, NESCAC and Ivy League schools are simply unattainable. This "off-limits" feeling is helping to further what Bandy describes as the class divide in society.

For many students, wealth is an issue not because they feel awkward about it, but instead because they want it. Even though all students have class work to do, many find time and are eager to work a campus job. Last year, 1,188 students had a job on campus—more than 70 percent of the enrollment of the college. Of those 1,188 students, only 55 percent were on financial aid.

According to Joyce, these somewhat shocking figures show that "not every student who is on aid is working...45 percent of the paychecks are going to students who are technically not on aid, which means (a) there's a value to the work, (b) students perhaps like to have a little financial independence from their families, and (c) that many families are saying, 'You know, you're getting a great education, it's very expensive, you need to pull your own weight a little bit.'"

In that population of student workers who were on aid, the average earnings expectation from the student employment office was \$1,600, with the actual



*"Students' chances of attending college and finishing with a degree increasingly are linked to their families' income."*

The College Board

average yearly earning slightly less. The hourly wage for all student workers ranged from an introductory salary of \$6.75 up to \$10. Salaries increase with

number of years worked and level of responsibility (for example, a food service manager gets paid more than a card swiper).

For a student to work all four years of college would mean a significant aggregate income coming directly from the College itself. These funds, and money in general, are becoming a vital element of completing college due to rising tuition.

Los Angeles Times writer Peter Y. Hong reported in an October 19 article entitled, "Financial Aid Can't Keep Up With College Tuition," that the College Board

stated "students' chances of attending college and finishing with a degree increasingly are linked to their families' income."

The College Board's research showed that while financial aid is increasing, college tuition is increasing at an even greater rate. And while tuition continues to rise, Bowdoin appears to be increasingly accommodating for its students, as it tries to maintain sufficient aid to provide all accepted students the means to graduate.

College Board President Gaston Caperton, in a College Board Press Release dated October 18, said, "Socio-economic status and college success cannot be separated from the serious problem of unequal academic opportunity within our schools." Even though across the United States, economic backgrounds are handicapping college students, Bowdoin is making a conscious effort to avoid this national trend.

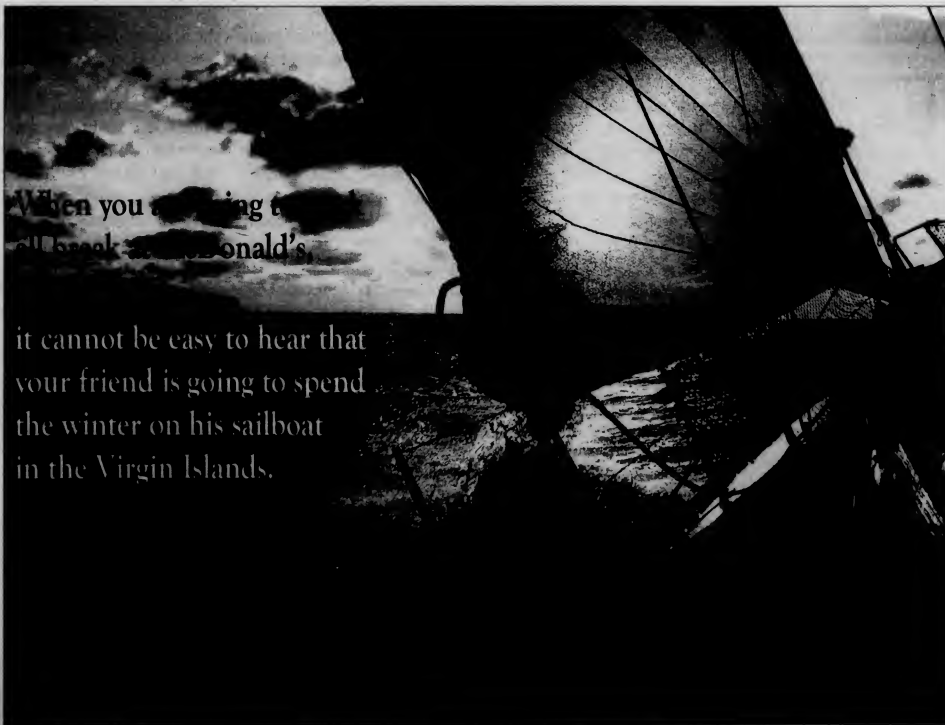
Such socio-economic problems are unfortunately increasingly

constant in society. Bandy notes that resolving class conflict is difficult in that there is little or no open and honest public dialogue between the classes, there is little class solidarity among the working classes, there is little class consciousness in general, and these issues are a source of shame, fear, and anxiety for many.

Is it possible that these emotions are present in Bowdoin students due to a lack of discussion about such issues and the lack of attention that they attract? By not attacking issues of wealth in a public manner, is Bowdoin creating more tension and discomfort?

In the past, Bowdoin has "gone through cycles where students actually got very active on issues of class," reports Joyce. He believes that while class and wealth are not issues readily discussed, "that will...be the next pressing issue. It's going to present itself in terms of access to the college, in terms of financial aid...it's going to be an issue that the deans spend more time with...The pressing issue is going to be much more one of class and socio-economic background than it will be race or culture in the next few years."

If wealth is in fact the "next pressing issue," discomfort and polarization will eventually have no place at Bowdoin.



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## Spontaneous Detonation Of Chemicals Attributed Cause Of College Explosion

An explosion, which wrecked two rooms in Appleton Hall, rocked the Bowdoin campus last Friday. The two occupants, Peter W. Elliot 64 from Haverford, Pennsylvania, and Roger K. Berle 64 from Dedham, Massachusetts, were away at the time and no one was hurt.

The blast was caused by the spontaneous detonation of chemicals stored in a bureau drawer by Elliot, who has been put under disciplinary action by the College for violation of dormitory rules concerning the possession of explosives.

The force of the explosion shattered asunder the dresser in which the chemicals had been placed, and blew out three windows including casement and sash.

A door leading to the corridor was ripped off its hinges and blown across the hall. A door between the two rooms was shattered and splinters of wood from it were driven

into the opposite wall of the room. The explosion was powerful enough against one of the walls to break a large section of plaster in the adjoining room.

Glass was hurled for a distance of 75 feet and cars lining the front of Appleton hall were covered with glass and splinters of wood.

The reverberating shock from the explosion shook the ground for a radius of about three blocks.

Within three minutes after the blast occurred,

President Coles and

Dean Kendrick were at the scene of the accident.

State and local Police officials and the Fire Department arrived soon after, immediately blocking off the area.

### EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT

Frederic J. Stoddard, 64 an occupant of the room directly above the site of the explosion gave the following eyewitness account:

I was on the foot of the stairs at the time of the explosion, not more than fifteen feet away from the door of the room. Suddenly, I heard a loud, yet muffled, noise. At first I thought it was a boiler that had exploded somewhere downstairs. Then I saw the door from the room come flying into the corridor. The pressure was so great that the door was broken in half and was folded into a door across the hall. Some students in the building were panicked and started hollaring fire! I decided to go inside and see if anything was left, but the smoke was so thick with sulfur fumes that you could only remain in the room for a few seconds. I then got the idea of putting a handkerchief over my nose. The room was completely littered with debris.

There was a small fire on the floor and one of the curtains was burning. I was able to stamp both of them out without difficulty. From the condition of the room, one would think a bomb had exploded.



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State Director of Fire Prevention said following a thorough investigation of the incident.

This mixture was prepared and brought onto the campus in violation of the rules of the College by a student from his home at the beginning of the college year, said Director Flynn, and the containers were placed in a bureau drawer. Most fortunately, no one was in the room when the explosion occurred.

The investigation of the State has been closed, Director Flynn concluded, and any disciplinary action [will] be determined by the College authorities.

Director Flynn was assisted in the investigation of the explosion by William H. Phillips, Supervising State Fire Inspector and Lieutenant Guy M. Batchelder of the Bureau of Identification of the State Police with the cooperation of College authorities.

President James S. Coles made the following state-

ment following the completion of the investigation:

The College is grateful that no person was injured by the explosion which occurred. The able and quick investigation by the State and local authorities leaves no doubt concerning the isolated nature of the explosion, and makes it possible to reassure the College community that no evil or warped mind was involved. The student responsible will be subject to discipline by the College.

I want to express the appreciation of the College to the Brunswick Fire and Police Departments for their efficient action and to Mr. Flynn, Lieutenant Batchelder, and Mr. Phillips for their valuable assistance.

### COLLEGE NOTICE

The recent explosion has emphasized the absolute necessity of the full observance of the prohibition of the use or keeping of explosive materials, including fire-crackers in every part of the College. Failure to observe this entails the most serious consequences. If any men possess such materials, they should immediately turn them in to Proctors or other responsible officers.

N. C. Kendrick  
Dean

### COLLEGE STATEMENT

After the cause of the blast had been determined by investigation, President Coles issued the following statement to the student body:

The detonation occurring last Friday afternoon in Room 20 of Appleton Hall at Bowdoin College was caused by a mixture of chemicals of explosive nature which had deteriorated during storage as to cause spontaneous detonation, Joseph A. P. Flynn,

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ment occur, which is critical to Mid-Coast Maine. We have a shortage of affordable work force housing in the Mid-Coast region because it's a hot real estate market. Planning or preserving work force housing is essential to the future economic growth of the region. So we can look at that issue.

**EK:** Last week the governor said he thought Bowdoin could be "very helpful" in the redevelopment process. Other than Bowdoin Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration & Treasurer Katy Longley holding a position on the LRA, how else might the LRA use Bowdoin's creative expertise? Will faculty and students have an opportunity to participate in the dialogue?

**SJR:** The answer is Bowdoin is already helping. President Mills has met with the governor to discuss how Bowdoin College can be helpful to the process. Katy Longley is someone who I personally know and is probably the finest public servant or commissioner that served under former Governor Angus King. With Katy, you're getting a very high quality person who has deep roots in the community, and happens to work at Bowdoin College. So, I couldn't say enough good things about Katy, because I respect her talents and her judgment.

I think that the town is in a transition, and Bowdoin has been here for quite a long time and is not going anywhere. Certain parcels of land ought to be considered for transfer to Bowdoin College so that it can help to expand and become a more integral part of the community. That expansion might push Bowdoin beyond its liberal arts heritage. Perhaps there is another side of Bowdoin that needs to be considered, and while certainly space is something every college needs, maybe there is another mission that Bowdoin can take on to make the Mid-Coast area more vibrant and economically stable, because it is in Bowdoin and the region's best interest that that be done. I look at some of the economic development initiatives that are in the bond package that we will vote on in November as a perfect place for Bowdoin to begin to consider expanding beyond its traditional role in the region. There are, with a few strokes of a pen, economic initiatives that Bowdoin can participate in, such as research. Research and development and the bond that will be considered in November are critical to Maine's future. Bowdoin, considering the human talent that exists on campus, ought to be considering how it can play a greater role in fostering economic development and research development throughout the Mid-Coast region. Whether it's in marine aquaculture and research development in that area, or whether it is in other areas, Bowdoin should begin to consider how it should take a leadership role in these initiatives.

And the third question you asked was about students and faculty. They can play a central role in fostering economic development because we all understand that it essentially spins from research development centers throughout the country. In North Carolina, look at how Duke University and Wake Forest and the University of North Carolina have helped foster a dramatic change to the region. Bowdoin is uniquely situated to act as an anchor towards research and development. It is an institution of higher learning, it has the human talent, and in some cases is already doing research and development within the campus. So this would be a logical extension of what Bowdoin could do. Although stepping outside of its traditional role as a liberal arts college, it could foster greater economic development by looking at

what it does on the research and development side of the equation today and looking forward to see how it could assist the region in the future...I could foresee Bowdoin leasing space on the naval air station to expand its efforts in research development...this could bring researchers into the region to work with Bowdoin students, giving them real-life experiences.

These are just my words, but they are a challenge to the campus community to step up and determine what role they should play in the regional economic development initiative that is being considered.

non-profit educational institutions or not remains to be seen.

**EK:** If cuts to student aid go through with the Higher Education Act that the U.S. Senate is considering, will the Maine Legislature respond, and will it concern you?

**SJR:** It is a dramatic concern because we don't have enough kids in Maine going on to college. We're improving our entry rates into college. We're making dramatic improvement in how many kids are going on from high school to college. We're number one in the country in terms of those who graduate from high school, but we lag behind as it relates to those kids who go

alternative—such as the elimination of the tax cuts for the wealthiest in the country. Between my wife and I (my wife's an obstetrician and I'm a lawyer), we received the benefits of a Bush tax cut. However, we neither need it nor want it. From a social and economic standpoint, it would do this country far more good to provide the level of benefits that we've seen to move this nation forward. In the areas of education, higher education, scholarships, loans, and in health care, and early childhood prevention of all kinds of diseases and issues of physical therapy and speech therapy and all those things that really make a difference

greater enrollment at our four-year institutions and our community colleges than ever, which tells me more and more kids are deciding to stay here to be educated. And, the census indicated we had a net increase in migration to the state of Maine, which is a good sign. As you've probably read, the state of Maine is the oldest population in the country. Beyond your education, you need something to attract you to a certain region, and the creative economy creates opportunities and attracts bright young people to remain in the region. For instance, you look at Portland, Maine. Portland has a vibrant creative economy and is considered to be in the top 100 places to live in the country. Portland has all of the amenities of a large city and very few of the social ills associated with a large city. It has beauty and charm, and is on the coastline. It is in close proximity to Boston, and has a lot to offer. Young people are attracted to Portland because there is a lot to do there. We need to foster that kind of creative economy elsewhere in the state of Maine so more and more of our young people will be attracted to Bangor or to Bar Harbor or to Lewiston-Auburn and other locations where the economy is beginning to pick up speed.

**EK:** In regards to Question 1. Would you encourage students from out of state to change their registration so they can vote on Question 1?

**SJR:** I would encourage students who are so inclined to [oppose] the measure to consider voting [here]. Each student needs to look at the effects of registering in the state on their student loans or otherwise. But, absent any adverse impact, the answer is if you live here, if your intent is to reside here as a resident of the state of Maine, then I encourage you to register to vote and support a "no" answer on Question 1. It is something that will move Maine forward; it is an anti-business vote to support discrimination. Businesses all across the nation have these anti-discrimination rules in their corporate guidelines. We're doing nothing more than extending what has really become a norm among corporate America to the state of Maine. I think we need to send a signal that we are a state of tolerance and one that invites everyone to move to Maine.

**EK:** Would you like to remain speaker for long and do you have your eyes on any other offices?

**SJR:** Well, I'm termed out come November 2006. Maine has a four-term limit, and I'm in my fourth term as speaker. While I don't currently have anything in mind to move on to, I certainly would entertain the idea of moving into another elected office because I very much enjoy the opportunity to serve Maine people. I think there's a great degree of satisfaction that a person gets when serving in the public arena. It's a hard job, you're often criticized, and sometimes it's a thankless job. But if you're doing it for all the right reasons then it can be very rewarding. So, for me, I don't have any plans. However, if in the next year I become interested in something I would certainly consider it.

Look for another Evan Kohn interview with a Maine political leader in the near future.



Courtesy of the Office of Speaker John Richardson

Speaker of the House John Richardson (D-Brunswick) talks at a recent press conference beside (left to right) House Majority Leader Glenn Cummings (D-Portland), and U.S. Congressmen Mike Michaud (D-ME) and Tom Allen (D-ME).

**EK:** What do you think of Cook's Corner's recently-expanded Wal-Mart that is now a "Supercenter"?

**SJR:** I think Wal-Marts are inevitable, and if you watch who goes into Wal-Mart these days, you're seeing that it is a very wide sector of the Brunswick regional economy. It is a varied group of people who shop at Wal-Mart, and people are making their choices by deciding to shop there. So you can no longer discount Wal-Mart as being the 800-pound gorilla that comes in and swallows all of the small businesses throughout the region, because that is a consumer choice. Consumers are making the choice to shop at Wal-Mart. Some of us may disagree with that choice, but that is the choice they're making. The only thing I say to Wal-Mart is that you have a responsibility to the community to provide minimum wages and health benefits—that is your corporate responsibility when you live in a community like Brunswick.

**EK:** What potential pieces of legislation will most affect the College community in the legislature's next session?

**SJR:** I think that there are two that could potentially impact Bowdoin. First I'm proposing legislation in January that will create a Brunswick Redevelopment Authority, so that the current LRA will finish considering the planning and zoning of the base. The redeveloping will rest with a development authority created by state statute...A Brunswick Redevelopment Authority would be a regional authority to address the adverse economic impact [of BNAS closing]. The second is a tax reform package that could include non-profits...Tax reform is something that is on everyone's mind...There has been some talk of taxing non-profit corporations, and whether that would include

onto college. I think we're 34th in the nation with respect to the amount of kids that go on to a four-year institution from high school. And we happen to also be 34th in the nation, I think, in terms of per capita income and I think there is a direct correlation between one's education and their earning capacity. So, we need to improve the learning capacity of our young people and the most dramatic way of doing so is through post-secondary education. Our community college enrollment is up. So, too, is enrollment at our four-year institutions.

Having said that, to answer your question, the state is struggling to keep up with the Bush/Cheney cuts that have been occurring throughout the nation. And many states, including states with Republican governors, are complaining of the cuts that are being made because they leave unfunded mandates to the state. The state will not be able to plug each and every hole that the federal government creates. The sad fact is that the federal government is walking away from its commitment to its children through education and its elderly through cuts in healthcare.

We need to really consider whether or not this is the path we want to choose as a nation, or if there is some better

when you're in early development—it would be far better for this nation to receive funds for those reasons than it would for John Richardson and his wife to put more money in their 401k that will never be spent and simply earn interest until the day it is divided up among our children. So we really need to have a national dialogue around what effects these tax cuts are having on 99 percent of the country. They're bankrupting us because we're living in greater debt. They're hurting those who are most vulnerable. They're not helping the economy move dramatically forward, and you have to question whether it is the right direction to go in.

So, the long way around that answer is, it will be difficult as a result of cuts from the Bush/Cheney administration for states to make up all the differences when it comes to student loans, healthcare for the elderly, and everything else. It's going to be difficult.

**EK:** The governor has promoted both universal broadband coverage and his creative economy initiatives a great deal. How effective have these been in working to keep more students in Maine after they graduate from College?

**SJR:** Two good pieces of news. We still have kids leaving, but we have

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## BQSA, supporters come out for coffee



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Members of the Bowdoin community, including Emily Sheffield '06 (left) and Nadia Nelson '06, gathered in the lobby of Chamberlain Hall last night for a "Coming Out Coffeehouse," hosted by the BQSA.

## Comics to animate Morrell audience

by Chelsea Germeyan  
ORIENT STAFF

What can you do with a degree from Harvard Law School? Become a headline comedian, of course. At least, that's what Greg Giraldo, a comedian from New York City, chose to do.

Tonight, at 8:30 p.m. in Morrell Gymnasium, Giraldo will be pairing up with fellow comedian Jim Gaffigan for a show.

Best known for his regular appearances on "Tough Crowd with Colin Quinn" and "Last Call with Carson Daly," Giraldo has also performed on "The Late Show with David Letterman" and "Late Night with Conan O'Brien."

Over the course of his career as a comedian, Giraldo has written and occasionally starred in sitcoms on ABC and NBC. He also had his own ABC sitcom, "Common Law," a show partially based on his time at a law firm in New York. The show was about a Latino attorney trying to reconcile his working-class background with his high-class, corporate environment.

Gaffigan, a Midwesterner from Indiana who now lives in New York City, has also appeared on "The Late Show." It was after this event that he

reached the goal of his career as a comedian: He was asked by the show's executive producer, Rob Burnett, whether he would like to star in his own sitcom. This sitcom developed into "Welcome to New York," following the story of a weatherman from Indiana who moves to New York City and is enveloped by a whirlwind of changes. The idea for the sitcom was based on Gaffigan's own experiences.

Other television shows on which Gaffigan has appeared include "The Ellen Show," "That '70s Show," "Ed," "Late Night with Conan O'Brien," and "Dr. Katz." His feature film roles include parts in *Igby Goes Down*, *Road Trip*, *Three Kings*, and *Super Troopers*.

Because Giraldo and Gaffigan are such well-known comedians, scheduling a show with them at Bowdoin could potentially have been very difficult. However, Tobias Crawford '07, co-chair of the Campus Activities Board, said that, when contacting the comedians' agents, "everything just fell into place."

Tickets for Giraldo and Gaffigan's show are \$5 for those with a Bowdoin ID and \$8 for the public. Tickets may be purchased at the Smith Union information desk.

## "Colbert Report" a subversive success

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Stephen Colbert, Jon Stewart's right-hand correspondent on "The Daily Show" and the master of feigned gravitas, has finally been given what he earned long ago: his own show.

While the "The Daily Show" was no stranger to sarcasm and editorializing, "The Colbert Report" (both words pronounced with a silent "t"), which premiered last week, provides

"Daily Show" devotees with a perspective on the news that is exclusively punditry-based.

Structured with conspicuous similarity to Fox News's "The O'Reilly Factor," Colbert brutally satirizes self-important political pundits by pontificating to his audience in a manner that is both condescending and confrontational.

Each half-hour installment of the program features a preamble, followed by a segment called "The Word." This segment very obviously derides Bill O'Reilly's "Talking Points," a regular feature of the "Factor." First of all, the two segments are aesthetically identical: the host addresses the audience directly

while his arguments are summarized in notes, which are displayed in bullet points on a virtual blackboard on the right side of the screen. But Colbert further spoofs O'Reilly with his laconic, self-righteous delivery.

"As a journalist, it's not my place to editorialize," he said in the show's third episode. "I'm here to objectively divide the facts into categories of good and evil, then let you make up your own minds," he said.

Colbert also makes frequent, passive attacks on the soundness of O'Reilly's logic. Commenting on the debate between the hard scientific evidence supporting the evolution theory and the largely faith-based intelligent design theory, Colbert said, "That's where truth comes from: the gut. Facts come from the brain—and some people think that makes facts better. But did you know you have more nerve endings in your stomach than in your brain? You can look it up."

But amid his satire of specific media targets, Colbert finds time to do what he does best: make politicians feel awkward. In a segment called "Better Know a District," Colbert filed a report on the repre-

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## M&G satirizes cloak-and-dagger

by Lauren Napier  
CONTRIBUTOR

"The Real Inspector Hound," the Masque and Gown show that premiered last night, is "first class family entertainment," according to one of its critics.

The plot revolves around a parody of British whodunit theater and self-obsessed critics. Tom Stoppard's play shows two theater critics, Moon and Birdboot, who are more concerned with their personal lives rather than the characters on stage. The critics have differing opinions and seemingly different reasons for critiquing the play. Moon wants to one-up a rival critic, while Birdboot is attempting to woo an actress.

Two plots emerge at the outset of the play: the dialogue between Birdboot and Moon and the storyline of the show the two critics are watching. These two distinct plots eventually merge as Birdboot and Moon become part of the play.

The show is junior Matt Herzfeld's first directing gig, and he has done a wonderful job rising to the challenge. The script was not chosen by Herzfeld, but by members of the Masque and Gown board, some of whom are performers in the play. Herzfeld said that he was given ample time to prepare, although admitted he could have used his time more wisely, rather than having "spent all the time in the beginning."

The role of Mrs. Drudge, the maid, is played by Shelley Barron '09. She produces a lovely Cockney accent and creates quite a dynamic character, despite her few lines. Mrs. Drudge, though mostly quiet, is not above pointing out the other characters as potential murderers in order to



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Shelly Bartort '09 and Chase Cicchetti '09, as Mrs. Drudge and Simon Gascoyne, lead the onstage cast of "The Real Inspector Hound."

expose the identity of the deranged sociopath running loose on the set.

Alex Williams-Bellotti '08 plays Felicity Cunningham, the spurned lover of Simon Gascoyne, played by Chase Cicchetti '09. The roles of Moon and Birdboot are played by Phil Gates '08 and Torin Peterson '07, respectively. The beautiful actress Birdboot admires is played by Katie Riendeau '07, while Jared Hunt '08 plays the part of Magnus. The role of Inspector Hound is played by first year Christian Adams.

Herzfeld prepared the cast for performance through cooperative exer-

cises and discussions about the players' roles, employing a method he described as "trial by fire." These extensive preparations were evident in the smoothness of the dress rehearsal. The scenes ran quite smoothly and the plot was well-paced—tinged with sarcasm and clever twists.

"The Real Inspector Hound," which will be performed today and tomorrow at 8:00 p.m. in Wish Theater, keeps the audience guessing and laughing throughout—definitely a fine way to spend an hour.

As Herzfeld said, "It's a hoot."

## Introduce folks to Henry & Marty



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Henry & Marty, located at the corner of Maine Street and Mason Street, has a menu that features a wide selection of seafood starters and entrees. It makes a fine choice for a meal out with the parents.

by Leslie Bridgers  
CONTRIBUTOR

The anticipation leading up to Parents Weekend can be stressful. Students must make sure that their rooms look presentable, beer cans have been hidden or recycled, beds are made, and incriminating photos have been removed from screen-saver montages. But all these preparations prove well worth the event that lies at the heart of every parental visit: being taken out to dinner.

You may have the kind of parents who insist upon judging these so-called No. 1 dining services for themselves, or the kind who made their October 29 reservations at Starfish Grill even before you received your acceptance letter. But if your parents don't fit into either of these categories, don't fret about getting the kind of meal you deserve out of your Parents Weekend. There are other options—possibly better ones.

At the corner of Maine Street and Mason Street, Henry & Marty sits rather unassuming, almost hidden by the faded sign for J&J Cleaners. The delicate glow of small, white Christmas lights illuminates the purple brick façade, welcoming you to a

dining experience that will be anything but bland.

The dining room is small and dimly lit. There is a serenity about the place that could almost put you to sleep if it did not fill so quickly with chatty costumed whose jubilation could very well be the consequence of an extensive wine list.

A small bar is tucked away in a corner by the kitchen and provides an optimal waiting area for parents to relax as their children struggle to pick out the least odoriferous shirt from their laundry pile.

The appetizers boast a selection of salads, including one with pear, gorgonzola, and pecans. For seafood starters, the menu offers calamari, pan-roasted mussels (prepared differently each night), and a lobster, salmon, and scallop chowder.

With parents footing the bill, there is always the option of sampling the specials, which on my visit included a salad with beets and goat cheese, and a soup of locally-foraged mushrooms.

Several seafood dishes are also offered as main courses. The linguini with jumbo shrimp, scallops, sundried tomatoes, artichokes, and olives

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## Loose Leaves color Baxter common room

by Frances Killea  
STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin College is all about loose leaves. The trees on campus redecorate the Quad every autumn, the leaves fluttering and dancing before making peace with the ground. At Baxter House on Wednesday, students and faculty shared loose leaves of another kind. For the second time this year, they gathered to hear their peers and colleagues read aloud from favorite pieces of writing.

Initiated seven years ago by Associate Professor of Film Tricia Welsh, Loose Leaves is based on a bicentennial event that Welsh attended at the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library, where a handful of speakers read from books by Maine writers. Reveling in the pleasantness of being a member of the audience at these readings, the professor regarded the idea as something "that ought to happen and doesn't." She made it happen.

Loose Leaves has always been held in Baxter House, with Welsh as the faculty advisor. Two residents of the house help coordinate the near-monthly event. Morgan Pile '08 and Ivano Pulito '08 take care of setting up chairs, lighting, refreshments, and a podium. Although the event is funded by the Mellon Grant, its cost is so low that Baxter usually handles the expenses itself.

Since the beginning of the series, many members of the faculty have participated, including representa-

tives from every department from philosophy to physics. Students and professors alike read everything from excerpts of novels like *The Saddest Summer of Samuel S.*, to poetry, to humorous letters to the editor. This year's first gathering of Loose Leaves was a mixture of poems, song lyrics, and a compiled list of the last suppers and words of death row inmates. The reading material can be anything, as long as the reader isn't reciting something he or she wrote.

"The event isn't meant to be an open-mic," said Welsh.

Anything else, though, is fair game. So far readers have managed to evoke a spectrum of reactions from listeners, shock not excluded, as was the case with one reader's selection from a sex manual.

There is definitely something to be said for a comfortable room and an hour of pleasurable readings. The next session is on December 1, so the winter weather will likely increase the event's cozy environment. Half the fun is seeing who will show up next, and to hear what the reader has chosen.

"You haven't got a clue what someone's going to read until they stand up," said Welsh.

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## Screen adaptation of *Everything is Illuminated* duller than book

by Gabe  
Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST



With its lack of star power, limited release, and advertisement campaign coated in indie novelty, *Everything Is Illuminated* attempts disingenuously to attain the allure of a petite production. It's even playing at the epitome of a humble, hole-in-the-wall theater (I mean this in the most endearing way possible), Brunswick's own Eveningstar Cinema.

But to say that *Everything is Illuminated* is anything but a massive undertaking would be a mistake. The landmark 2002 novel by Jonathan Safran Foer on which the film is based gave new definition to the concept of sprawling narrative. Told in three distinct voices over hundreds of years and multiple generations, Foer's debut follows a young writer traveling to the Ukraine in search of the secrets behind his family's survival. Funny, moving, but often soaked in its own torrent of inventiveness, the book not only begged for celluloid treatment, it dared any director to attempt an adaptation of its pesky complexities.

Making his own debut, understated director Liev Schreiber rises to the challenge. He recasts the story as a strictly contemporary affair, sewing up some of the book's more distend-



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Straight-laced Jonathan Safran Foer (left) and his traveling companion, the libido-charged Alex, are a classically mismatched pair.

ed angles and allowing for new takes on the central characters.

*In the final analysis, Schreiber's parabolic adaptation never quite syncs up with the heartbeat of the living, breathing story on which it is based.*

However smart and respectful, Schreiber's directorial hand falls short of shaping a great film. Curious audiences and especially fans of the novel will have trouble meeting him halfway, as he leaves the flotsam and

jetsam of the literary ark he has so ably disassembled to litter a would-be cleaner, more direct vision.

Elijah Wood plays Jonathan, an eccentric collector who has obsessed over his grandparents' experiences since the Holocaust since childhood. Wearing the same drab suit and aquarium-sized glasses he donned as a toddler, Jonathan never

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## Upcoming Events...

-Melissa Ferrick w/  
Natalie Zuckerman

Where: The Big Easy, 55 Market  
Street, Portland.

When: November 16 at 9:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$12.50 at Bull Moose.

-The Derek Trucks Band  
w/ Mofro

Where: The State Theater, 609  
Congress Street, Portland.

When: November 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$19.50 and \$29.50, available at the Cumberland Country Civic Center box office, or by calling (207) 775-3331.

-Dark Star Orchestra

Where: The State Theater, 609  
Congress Street, Portland.

When: Nov. 27 at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$20.00 in advance, \$22.00 day of show. Available at the Cumberland Country Civic Center box office, or by calling (207) 775-3331.



# Blue Moon ale full of flavor



by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

BLUE MOON (\$5.79 for a six-pack at Uncle Tom's)

This past weekend I was lucky enough to score a few bottles of this delightful Colorado-based brew while hanging out with some cool dudes.

Classified as a witbier (Belgian style ale, very pale), Blue Moon packs a flavor that I have never had before—a pale sweetness that combines many of the attributes I love most about beer. Its color displays a luminous yet cloudy, golden hue with a hint of orange that glows when held up to the sunlight. This also speaks to the taste of this brew—a slice of orange squeezed into a Blue Moon creates an extremely synergistic effect if you enjoy citrus flavonoids.

Packing in a modest 5.4 percent alcohol content, I found this beer to be a great beverage for outdoor drinking, specifically on fall days when it is warm in the sun and cold in the shade. Also, kegs of this beer are relatively inexpensive—you should be able to find one for under \$80 with a little luck, and offer a great change of pace from the standard Natural Light. For those of you

who enjoy trying new beer, I recommend a Blue Moon with an orange for a great experience. *My ratings: Taste: 4.4 Partyability: 3.8 Benefit/Cost: 4.7.*

MOLSON XXX (\$5.89 for a six-pack at Hannaford)

This beer, actually classified as malt liquor, is the king of ice beers. Though novice drinkers may assume this is merely another Beast Ice, they are wrong. Dead wrong. Delivering a powerful 7.3 percent alcohol content, drinking a cup of this stuff will do the same damage as almost two Bud Lights or one and a half Bud Heavies.

Brewed in Canada, XXX is a deep, rich beer that actually has less of a bite than many other beers with lesser alcohol contents. This can be both awesome and troublesome in the party scene—a awesome for the party throwers who can get people pretty loose for relatively little money out of their pockets, but troublesome for partygoers who were hoping to take it easy and only have a few casual beers.

Corey Bergen '08 knows first hand about XXX, saying, "I only had to have a few of those for the party to get extreme."

This beer is a good one but is better suited for a college party rather than a dinner party. *My ratings: Taste: 2.8, Partyability: 4.3, Benefit/Cost: 5 (party thrower), 4 (cager partygoer), 2 (unsuspecting lightweight).*

KEYSTONE LIGHT (\$13.49 for a 30-pack at Hannaford)

Categorized as a light lager, Keystone Light leaves much to be desired in terms of taste and originality. Visually, it appears much like any other light beer with its thin, gold color and medium-sized head. In terms of flavor, it follows the same path as its silver counterpart, Coors Light, refusing to give the drinker any sort of perceptible flavor that can be enjoyed.

Interestingly, Keystone is brewed by the Coors brewing company in Colorado and uses the same size cans as Coors Light. If you look closely, on every Keystone Light can there is some sort of dent or imperfection, possible evidence for the theory that Keystone is in fact nothing but damaged Coors Light. Regardless, Keystone Light is cheap and easy to chug, making it a viable option for students everywhere. I recommend paying the extra two bucks to get a 30-pack of Busch or a box of Franzia just so you don't have to labor through another night of 4.2 percent beers that are really not that cool. *My ratings: Taste: N/A, Partyability: 3.3, Benefit/Cost: 2.*

## Colbert gets an "A" on report card

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representative of the voting district of U.S. Congressman Jack Kingston, a Republican from Savannah, Georgia. When he was very young, Kingston lived with his family in Ethiopia. Colbert capitalized on this bit of background by asking Kingston to speak on a personal level about the experience of an African American living in America.

Colbert puts a new spin on the standard interview segment. Instead of having the evening's guest enter to the applause of the audience, Colbert introduces his guest and then rises and walks grandly, waving and blowing kisses to the audience, to a separate set, where his guest sits waiting.

For a show that is in its infant stage, Colbert has managed to lure some pretty big names to the "Report," among them CNN personality Lou Dobbs, Newsweek International Editor Fareed Zakaria, and "60 Minutes" correspondent Leslie Stahl. Surprisingly, Colbert, who purposefully forced awkwardness in interviews during his days as a "Daily Show" correspondent, has exhibited impressive geniality and *savoir faire* in his interviews.

All told, "The Colbert Report" seems to have a bright future, deftly combining intellectual satire with ludicrous humor. While it won't achieve the stature of its parent program (at least not as long as Jon Stewart is behind the desk), it is different and clever enough to stay afloat as an accessory to "The Daily Show."

"The Colbert Report" airs Monday through Thursday at 11:30 p.m. on Comedy Central.

## CORRECTION

Due to an editing error, a headline in last week's A & E section read, "Poet takes search for latent beauty to Howell." The event, a reading by poet Aimee Nezhukumatathil, actually took place in Helmholtz House. The Orient regrets the error.

# 'Trane's new album a shipment of soul

by Ely Delman  
CONTRIBUTOR

Time to be honest: how does one begin a review of John Coltrane's latest release, *One Down, One Up*? The man already holds a legendary, perhaps divine place in the jazz world (anyone been to [www.saintjohncoltrane.com](http://www.saintjohncoltrane.com)?), but this album secures his position as the most important improvisational saxophonist of the 20th century. In order to understand why this album is important, a little background information is necessary.

The John Coltrane Quartet was comprised of Elvin Jones on drums, Jimmy Garrison on bass, McCoy Tyner on piano, and "Trane" on soprano and tenor saxes. The group was formed in 1961 and was a working band until 1965, precisely the year "One Up, One Down" was recorded for a radio program at the Half Note Club. The tapes from this historic performance have been one of the most coveted bootlegs among Coltrane fanatics since its underground release. "Trane kept a copy for himself, which was recently discovered by his son, Ravi, inside a closet in their home. Ravi remastered Trane's personal tapes, and it was released under the Impulse Records label on October 11, 2005.

This album is worth it for the title track alone. "One Down, One Up" begins with Alan Grant introducing the band to the radio and live audiences. Later, Garrison drops out too, leaving "Trane and Jones in a fierce and propulsive duet, their musical telepathy in full gear, despite the fact that Jones has broken bass his drum pedal. This duet is adumbrative of "Trane's last album, *Interstellar Space*, which comprises duets between "Trane and drummer Rashied Ali.

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Stylistically, "Trane explores all the registers of his instrument; his blowing can be shrill, portending the salient sound on the album *Ascension*, which was released later that year with his free jazz ensemble. But he could also be sensitive and gentle, much like the gorgeous, soothing melodies of the album *Crescent*, released earlier that year.

The characteristic element of searching is vividly present on *One Up, One Down*: "Trane clearly isn't satisfied with what his band is doing, and yet it pushes on through the song incessantly. The audience and the listener go on a journey with the band. Halfway through the tune, Tyner drops out. Three minutes

later, Garrison drops out too, leaving "Trane and Jones in a fierce and propulsive duet, their musical telepathy in full gear, despite the fact that Jones has broken bass his drum pedal. This duet is adumbrative of "Trane's last album, *Interstellar Space*, which comprises duets between "Trane and drummer Rashied Ali.

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# Teaching the folks how to wine and dine

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNIST

So it's Parents Weekend, and you're looking to show your parents a good time. I recommend the following: clean up your room and host a mini event for your parents and those friends whose parents are not around.

If you have a kitchen, lamb stew is actually a lot cheaper than you would think. If you serve it over rice, you can feed six people easily with a pound and a quarter of meat—I like a shoulder or neck chop if you can't find a stew cut—and even more if you also make a salad. For those of you who don't have a kitchen or can't cook, a small wine and cheese hors d'oeuvres party can be equally as pleasant and inexpensive. Here are two wines and some serving suggestions.

HENRY BOURGEOIS 2003 PETIT BOURGEOIS (Petit \$14.99 at Provisions)

This is delicious wine. It comes from Sancerre, which is famous for its white wines. However, this red can certainly give any Sancerre white a run for its money. For a red, it is thinner than I normally like. This thinness, however, combined with its wet, woody taste makes it a wonderful companion for cheeses. My tasters and I enjoyed it with Comté (a gruyere-like cheese that is mild enough that everyone can enjoy it, but not as boring as cheddar). Oka (a Canadian cheese that is stronger and rather unlike any other I've ever had—temper it with chutney or a fruit preserve), and some brie (uni-

versally popular). Really, any cheese could work. We served ours with baguette, which is more substantive than crackers. When you go to pick up a bottle of this wonderful wine, ask Mary at Provisions to help you pick out some cheeses to match your taste.

SOUTHERN RIGHT 2002 PINOTAGE (\$17.59 at Provisions)

The pinotage grape is cross of a pinot noir grape, but the wine is not like a pinot noir at all. My taster and I were not pleased with this wine at first, but the second glass met with better approval than the first. It has a somewhat mushroomy taste, which made it as wonderful as the liquid in my lamb stew.

To make the stew, I cut up a pack of lamb chops into small cubes (around 1.5 square inches) and browned it in olive oil. Then I added some cubed butternut squash, baby carrots and crimini mushrooms. I sautéed the mix for one minute, and then added one and a half cups of red wine and a cup of beef stock. After adding the spices (bay leaves, salt, pepper, thyme), bring the mix to a boil and then simmer for an hour. I definitely recommend serving this over rice. However, you can substitute the squash for potatoes and skip the rice if you love it.

Even if you don't love the wine, you can feel good about buying it; a portion of the price of each bottle is given to protecting southern right whales. So, you can justify your drinking habit to your parents by telling them you're being philanthropic.

## WBOR 91.1 FM DJs OF THE WEEK



Lucy Orloski '06 and Tauwan Patterson '08

What is the best song ever made?

LO: ZZ Top's "La Grange."

TP: Hmm. That's a tough one. I will have to go with "Sound of the Crowd" by The Human League...for now.

Who is the greatest living musician?

LO: Tom Waits. The man is without peer.

TP: Prince. Come on now, what artist doesn't want a catalogue as sexy and far-reaching as his?

What was the first album you ever bought?

LO: *Funk Divas*, by En Vogue. I listened to that album for years.

TP: Toni Braxton's *Secrets*. Only because the store I went into was out of Dru Hill's debut album and I was not about to purchase a cassette.

What was the best show you've ever seen live?

LO: The Arcade Fire, one year ago this weekend. [It was a] guest-list-only Halloween show in a building that looked like a castle on a cliff overlooking the ocean. There were 60 people there. I doubt I'll ever manage to top it.

TP: 1) Prince, Musicology Tour, Summer 2004. 2) Bjork, Hollywood Bowl, Summer 2004 (she made me cry, no joke).

If you were dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?

LO: "Do What You Wanna Do" by The Acid House Kings. You'd have to play it really, really loudly every time. And everyone would have to sing along.

TP: "D.M.S.R." (Dance, Music, Sex, Romance), by Prince.

If you were onstage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?

LO: "Well, hello." It would be said in a tone that demonstrated dry, slightly acerbic wit, but with a clearly identifiable hint of camaraderie and compassion.

TP: "Who wants to touch me?" Orloski and Patterson can be heard on "Separation of Church and State," 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday evenings on WBOR 91.1 FM.

## Students invited to dine with area residents: "Tuesday Supper and Conversation"

The Association of Bowdoin Friends is an informal group of area residents interested in supporting the programs of the College. A few members of Friends have opened their homes to small groups of students to share "Tuesday Supper and Conversation" on three successive Tuesday evenings—November 1, 8, and 15.

If you'd like to join a gathering, e-mail [diank4@man.com](mailto:diank4@man.com) with the date that is suitable, your name, phone number, names of the other members of your group, whether you have a car, and if there are any dietary restrictions. Groups of 2 or 3 (and one 4) are what we're striving for. A few hosts will provide transportation. You will be contacted with the name and phone number of a host so you can make final arrangements. Three hosts are available for Nov. 1, and 7 hosts are available for both Nov. 8 and 15. Sign up soon with your friends. First come - First served!

## Big screen take on *Illuminated* less luminous than book

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ages. Instead, he suspends himself in his past, living through an extensive collection of paraphernalia that hang from his walls, a mosaic of both familial evidence and historical puzzle pieces. Fascinated by the prospect of finding the woman who may have saved his Jewish grandfather from certain death, he sets off to the Ukraine to find the keystone of a self-compiled historical account.

*Everything is Illuminated* is a story structured in pairs, its dramatic tension tied between themes and characters of polar opposition. Such broad

strokes, including the hectic seesaw from screwball comedy to striking tragedy that made the book so fascinating, become possible once Jonathan meets his robust Ukrainian tour guides.

Alex, the young and hilariously oblivious translator, is the Eastern European answer to Ali G. Bent on flashy clothing and blessed with an even flashier libido, Alex's English is not so much broken as it is jacked on dysfunctional steroids. When bragging to Jonathan about his prowess with the opposite sex, he lets fly one of his greatest howlers: "All the ladies are wanting to get carnal

with me because of my premium dance moves." Add Alex's own grandfather (who believes himself to be blind, yet can still drive a car), and his "officious seeing-eye-bitch" (a mutt named Sammy Davis, Jr. Jr.), and you have a sideshow of noxious humor to counterbalance the dark road trip to come.

This dark road trip is, of course, the heart of the movie. Along the way, the dichotomy between the two protagonists becomes clearer: where Jonathan is paralyzed in a state of historical fascination, Alex is keen on the shiny appeal of the now. In fact, Alex carries a museum of his own: his "blind" grandfather, played delicately by Boris Leskin, who hides the clues of a secret Jewish heritage beneath the fringes of his aging face.

The evolution of each character would seem equally poignant; the trouble is that while Eugene Hutz lends Alex a brimming enthusiasm, Elijah Wood's inward portrayal of Jonathan is too distant and frankly, annoying. While Alex's tale does eventually become the metaphorical crux of the movie, Wood's screen time trumps his counterpart's significance. Schreiber makes a fatal error by tearing his audience in two along with his story: Jonathan's character is far too neglectful while Alex's is downright neglected.

The film's conclusion is structurally elegant: as Jonathan finally embraces his own life, his past becomes newly illuminated—while Alex's gradual discovery of his past fundamentally changes his present identity. Yet, just as the film's extreme styles of comedy and tragedy operate independently of one another, the two characters' revelations seem to exist on wholly separate planes. Schreiber denies Jonathan and Alex the opportunity to share their respective transformations. Because of this, and in keeping with the other poles of the film, the two have no true relationship.

In the final analysis, Schreiber's parabolic adaptation never quite syncs with the heartbeat of the living, breathing story on which it is based.

## Parents paying? Try Henry & Marty

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was creamy but light and full of flavor. The Scottish salmon was as soft as butter and served with a huge potato pancake.

Some dishes feature beef from Wolfe's Neck Farm, and the filet mignon, monarch of every menu, is uniquely prepared with a thick smear of gorgonzola butter.

Even if you're full from two decadent courses, pause for a moment to make a little room for dessert. The key lime pie was perfect, neither too tart nor too rich, and the contents of the crème brûlée had such an exceptional consistency that the indulgently sugary crust, normally a show-stealer, had to struggle to hold its own.

The waitstaff at Henry & Marty is pleasant and professional, and water glasses are so well-attended that your meal might be significantly extended by frequent bathroom breaks. Luckily, Henry & Marty is not a bad place to spend some extra time eating, drinking, and catching up with the folks.

While the restaurant may be relatively obscure on campus, it is a local favorite and should surely be a hit with you and your parents. Do not hesitate to make your reservation.

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# SPORTS

## Field hockey fourth in national Division III poll



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Meghan Maguire maneuvers the ball past a defender in Tuesday's game against USM.

by Burgess LePage  
CONTRIBUTOR

The weather did not deter the Bowdoin Field Hockey Team in Tuesday's match against the University of Southern Maine.

The team defeated USM, giving the Polar Bears their 13th victory in a so-far undefeated season.

Bowdoin's victory over Trinity in an away match last Saturday brought the Polar Bears up to fourth place in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association rankings.

The win also clinched the home field advantage for Bowdoin in the NESCAC playoffs, as well as a bye in the first round of tournament play.

The Polar Bears had a slow start against Trinity. Burgess LePage '07 scored the first half's only goal off an assist from Taryn King '07.

After an inspiring half-time talk, the Bears rallied to put in three more goals. Senior Christi Gannon had a good day at the net with two goals early in the second half.

Sophomore Hillary Hoffman gave Bowdoin its third and final goal of the game after an outstand-

ing two-on-one passing combination with Gannon.

Bowdoin's offense demonstrated its unity in second-half play with strong passing connections and accurate deflections.

Tuesday's game against USM made play difficult for the Polar Bears and Huskies.

Although Bowdoin has suffered through many rainy games this season, the combination of high winds, rain, and cold weather made this match especially unpleasant for both teams.

Bowdoin demonstrated its strength with an 8-0 shutout victory. Gannon, Hoffman, King, Margaret Gormley '06, and Lindsay McNamara '09 scored for Bowdoin.

Bowdoin's strength and cohesion were evident even in the rainy conditions.

"The weather was challenging, but we proved we can come together in any condition and be able to play our game," junior Gail Winning said.

The Polar Bears will try to add another victory to their 13-0 record in Saturday's home match against Wesleyan.

## Football falls to Trinity, 23-3



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The football team's winning streak came to an end against Trinity last Saturday.

by Chris Buccia  
STAFF WRITER

Bowdoin's fairy-tale start to the 2005 season came to an end with a 23-3 loss to Trinity in last Saturday's game. The Bowdoin Football Team is now tied with Amherst and Colby for second place in the NESCAC.

The match-up between the Polar Bears and Bantams was much anticipated, even receiving a preview in *USA Today*. Despite the lopsided score, the game lived up to its hype.

Trinity announcers noted Bowdoin's success, saying, "This is by far the toughest team the Bantams have run into during their historic winning streak." Trinity's multi-season winning streak improved to 27 games.

Bowdoin allowed Trinity a touchdown in its opening drive defense. Mike Vitousek '07 forced a fumble and captain linebacker Shaun Kezer '06

the game really was. They have a great team, but so do we. We had our chances to win that game, but we just couldn't capitalize," quarterback Leclerc said.

After five weeks of play, some Polar Bears are posting outstanding statistics. Leclerc is second in the NESCAC in both passing yards, with 796, and yards per game, with 147. He is fourth in the league in total yards for offense with 137 yards per game.

He credits the wide receivers. "We definitely have the best receiving core in the league. [Jeff] Nolin '06], Brisson, and Doug [Johnson '07] are all outstanding play makers. Their yards come from their speed to get into seams and let me lead them," Leclerc said.

Nolin is eighth in the league in receptions with 3.8. He also leads the NESCAC with 81 receiving yards per game, and he is fifth in touchdowns with four.

The defense also boasts some strong personal performances. Sophomores John Regan and Brendan Murphy are tied for fifth in the NESCAC with two interceptions apiece. Dave Donahue '07 and Kezer are tied for second in the league with 54 tackles each. Regan, Vitousek, and Donahue are ranked first, second, and third, respectively in fumbles.

Bowdoin will face Wesleyan this weekend. The Polar Bears are not taking the game lightly, despite Wesleyan's 0-5 record and predictable defense.

"We were 0-5 before too, and we weren't a bad team, so we aren't taking them lightly. On the other hand, we're excited to be back home to put on a show for the fans," Nolin said.

recovered. In the ensuing drive, Nolan McNair '08 scored a field goal.

The Polar Bears seemed ready to make a comeback when Ricky Leclerc '06 completed a 70-yard bomb to lighting-quick wideout Scott Brisson '06. Brisson, who is known for some of the best breakaway speed in the league, was tripped up on the nine-yard line by a Bantam cornerback.

Bowdoin's defense continued to play strong, forcing a Bantam punt, but the fumbled return took the remaining wind out of Bowdoin's sails. Trinity soon punched it in for a touchdown and a 17-3 lead at the half. Bowdoin's defense continued to put pressure on the Bantams by forcing two more fumbles in the second half, but the offense couldn't put any more points on the board against the top team in New England.

The Polar Bears were not satisfied with the end result.

"The score didn't reflect how close

## Volleyball loses to Tufts in Wednesday's home match

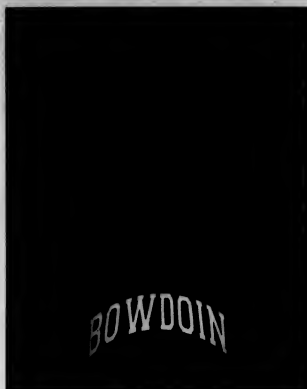


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Junior standout Erin Prifogle spikes the ball over the net. Prifogle gave Bowdoin 10 kills, six digs, and five blocks in Wednesday's match. Tufts overtook the Polar Bears with scores of 30-18, 30-22, 31-29.



# Athlete Profile: Jill Schweitzer



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior co-captain Jill Schweitzer has built a unified team with her strong leadership skills.

Anna Messerly  
STAFF WRITER

In sudden death overtime, extra innings, or in tight races, athletes often become nervous or frustrated—maybe even cracking under the pressure.

Sometimes a different kind of competitor emerges, one who flourishes under stress. Cross country co-captain Jill Schweitzer '06 is one of those athletes.

In a sport with immense individual pressure, where one bad race can hurt the overall standing of the team, inner strength is invaluable.

"Running has a lot of highs and lows, but Jill is one of the best I've ever seen at staying emotionally strong all the time," said coach Peter Slovenski, who also is the head track coach. This is high praise from a someone who has spent 18 years coaching at Bowdoin.

Schweitzer's leadership shows both in and out of practice.

"Jill is an excellent runner, but she is even better at supporting other runners," Slovenski added. "The team is much better because of her encouragement and advice."

Schweitzer tried lots of sports at Ridgefield High School in Connecticut, such as soccer, field hockey and basketball, before settling on running. One season of track was

all it took for Schweitzer. "I did outdoor track and got hooked," she explained. "I then converted to all three seasons of running my sophomore year."

At Bowdoin, she has run cross country all four years.

Schweitzer, the only senior on the team, does not consider races to be her most important accomplishment as a team member.

"My contributions have been more as a leader and teammate than as a valuable member of the team for scoring and success," she said.

The team has been very successful this year. Schweitzer has taken advantage of leading and building a young squad this season.

"She goes above and beyond in attempts to make cross country a fun and exciting experience for the team," co-captain Jamie Knight '07 said. "Everything from inspiring readings at team meetings and late-night good luck wishes by email, to decorations in the locker room show that Jill truly wants Bowdoin's runners to feel they are part of something special."

Few had high expectations for such a young team; however, in part because of Schweitzer's leadership and encouragement, the team has had a strong season.

The team placed first in three of its five races and second in its last race, the Maine State Meet at Colby.

"We've been improving continually throughout the season, and at NESCACs this weekend, I bet we can surprise a lot of people," Schweitzer said. "We have a lot of potential."

The team will look to Schweitzer for confidence and advice at the NESCAC meet at Wesleyan.

"Jill is terrific at talking to runners who need the most support and helping them to find some good news or humor in the race results," Slovenski said. "Jill makes us a better team through her contributions as a student, runner, and team leader."



## Sport Shorts

### Women's Volleyball

The Bowdoin Volleyball Team played at the annual Hall of Fame Tournament at Springfield and Mt. Holyoke Colleges last weekend. The Polar Bears returned 1-3, losing to Endicott, Middlebury, and Springfield. Bowdoin defeated Gordon for its 11th win.

Bowdoin had some strong individual performances against Gordon. Erin Prifogle '07 gave the Polar Bears 15 kills. Ellie Simon '06 and Alex Keeney '09 posted 13 and eight kills, respectively.

On Wednesday, the Polar Bears fell to Tufts 3-0. Prifogle gave Bowdoin 10 kills, six digs, and five blocks. Kelly Bougere '06 and Simon posted nine kills each. Sarita Fu '06 had six digs and Margo Linton '08 gave the team 34 assists.

This weekend the team will play NESCAC rivals Williams, Hamilton, and Middlebury at Williams. The team is winless in the NESCAC.

### Sailing

The sailing team will be splitting up this weekend to participate in three separate regattas. A coed group will race at the Schell Regatta at MIT. A team of women will participate in the Victorian Um sponsored by Harvard. A last group of first years will head to the University of Rhode Island for freshman championships. The team is ranked 11th in the Northeastern Sailing Division.

### Women's Soccer

Standing at 7-4-1 overall and 4-3 in the NESCAC, the Bowdoin Women's Soccer Team needed to

secure a win against Trinity to remain a contender in the NESCAC playoffs. With the aid of goalie Anna Shapell '06, the team shutout Trinity 3-0 in Saturday's game.

Forward Kathryn Whitley '08 scored with three minutes remaining in the second half to give the Polar Bears a 1-0 lead. Danielle Chagnon '06 gave Bowdoin its next goal off a feed from Whitley. Roberta Dennison '08 scored Bowdoin's final goal.

With the win, Bowdoin improves to 5-3 in the NESCAC with one regular season game remaining against Wesleyan this weekend. The Polar Bears are currently tied for fourth with Bates in the NESCAC.

—Compiled by Erin Prifogle, Anna Karas, and Joe Berte.

## Men's soccer shuts out Trinity

by Vanessa Kitchen  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Soccer Team is feeling the pressure. The Polar Bears are gritting their teeth in anticipation of Saturday's game against Wesleyan.

If Bowdoin defeats Wesleyan, the team will secure a home team advantage for the first round of the NESCAC playoffs. If Bowdoin returns with a loss, the team will be forced to travel and play on unfamiliar turf for the first playoff match.

The Polar Bears have been on a winning streak, with a 4-1 record for the past five games. Bowdoin had shutout victories against Tufts, Connecticut College, and most recently, Trinity College.

Adding a tie against Wheaton College and a win over Gordon College, the Polar Bears have made it into the top 25 in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Division III poll. They are ranked 21st.

In Saturday's game, senior co-captain Andrew Russo tied the school scoring record of 32 career goals. He currently shares the record with David Bulow '02 and Gima Asmerom '73.

Simon Parsons '07 scored in the first five minutes of play against Trinity. In the second half, Wolf Grueber '08 increased the tally with another goal.

The Polar Bears shut out Trinity 3-0, improving their overall record to 10-2-1.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The men's soccer team practices for its upcoming match against Wesleyan.

The secret to the team's recent success seems to be its strong defense.

Nathan Lovitz '08 has made 18 saves in the past three games and has only allowed two goals in the past five games. Helping Lovitz protect the net are co-captains Mike Crowley '06 and Willie Waters '06, who form a defensive wall in the backfield.

Bowdoin offense is also strong.

Sophomore Nick Figueiredo has made two game-winning shots in recent matches, tallying four goals and three assists in the past five games. Parsons and Russo also have strong scoring records as well.

The guidance of new head coach Fran O'Leary has given the team a boost.

The team looks to preserve its winning streak this Saturday at Wesleyan.

## Crew braves the Charles River

by Madeleine Pott  
CONTRIBUTOR

Two varsity crews braved the cold, fast winds, white caps, and choppy water on the Charles River to take second and sixth places in their events at the Head of the Charles Regatta on Saturday.

The team entered two crews, one in each of the men's and women's collegiate fours events, hoping to continue a tradition of success at the 41st Head of the Charles in Boston.

The men's four, which started fifth in the event, finished second out of the 15 boats only seconds behind Colgate University.

The team managed to overtake the University of Connecticut and the College of William and Mary, landing the crew with silver medals and a time of 17:50.605.

The women's crew started 14th in the 19 team line up at the event. They overtook the Lafayette and Lesley University crews, finishing sixth in the event. Florida Tech took the gold medal, finishing approximately 40 seconds ahead of Bowdoin's time of 20:18.783.

Rower Lauren Duerksen '08 credited sophomore coxswain Allegra Spalding '08 with the team's strong performance.

"Our coxswain, Allegra, steered an amazing course, kept us tight on the buoys, which definitely gave us an advantage. We could see the boats behind us turn wide and when we saw that, we just moved," she said.

"Hearing all the fans on the bridges really motivated us also. It was getting towards the end of the race and passing under those bridges got us moving," she added.

Due to the sheer number of crews wishing to compete in the annual regatta, teams were selected through a lottery process, unless crews demonstrated extreme prowess in prior years.

The success of the women's crew this year guaranteed the team a position in next year's regatta.

The performance of the men's crew this weekend disqualifies the team from entering boats in the collegiate fours event in the future. From now on, the team will be forced to compete solely in the championship fours events at the Head of the Charles.

This weekend the team will compete against Maine rivals Colby and Bates in a scrimmage in Waterville at the Colby boat-house. The full fleet will be racing in a number of fours and eights events.

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# Scuba diving brings new world to life

*A junior abroad explores an extreme sport in Australia*

by Joel Samen  
CONTRIBUTOR

People are meant to breathe on land, not in water.

This is a universal truth, a fact, scratched into the human mind at a young age. Scuba diving, one of the world's unique and technology-laden sports, reverses this law of life.

Weighed down with about 60 pounds of gear, people drift into depths that no person can see without the aid of modern technology.

Australia's Great Barrier Reef is unlike any other marine park in the world. It is visible from space. It

covers the northern half of the eastern Australian coast, giving habitat to the world's most diverse collection of aquatic creatures. Big fish like sharks, rays, and groupers inhabit the reef, as well as turtles and sea snakes. In addition, dolphins and whales occasionally visit the site. Its soft corals are breathtaking, in their diversity and seemingly weightless fingers, while the more rigid hard corals explode in a multitude of colors across the coral heads and shelves.

The opportunity to see this other world comes at a price. The pressure causes discomfort to the sinus and

ear canal. Then there is the parched mouth suffered from breathing humidity-free air for approximately 45 minutes. And if the proper precautions are not taken, there is the threat of agonizing decompression sickness. But the thrill of seeing this underwater world surpasses these risks.

At shallow depths, sunlight trickles into the particle-suspending water. Its beams are splayed across the tan sand and rainbows of coral, in patterns defined by the lens of the surface's waves.

As the meters of the water column between the diver and fresh air increase, the natural light begins to fade. The squeaks and whines of air bubbles from the ears betray the immense amount of pressure that is weighing upon the diver. The endless blue-green of the ocean shrouds the perimeter of the coral shelf. A seemingly infinite number of big fish fill the ocean behind that curtain.

The labyrinth of calcium carbonate hands splay open to provide nooks for a variety of fish. Fish shaped like tiny torpedoes weave in and out of the living rocks, pecking at algae and picking larger organisms clean. Brightly colored parrot fish nip and grind bits of coral, sending crisp snaps through the water. And then the turtles come floating in.



Joel Samen for The Bowdoin Orient

The Great Barrier Reef provides a habitat for a vast array of marine creatures.

They are akin to their lovable land-dwelling cousins, but more awe-inspiring. Their fins propel them through the water, flapping like a bird's wings, enabling them to effortlessly glide around the reef. A glimpse of their silhouettes gracing the shadows of the water is enough to make any diver's heart beat faster.

As a kid, the question often arises: "If you could have any superpower,

what would it be?" My answer has always been the ability to breathe underwater in order to see a world that is shown only in glass cases at the aquarium. The capacity to realize this fantasy exceeds all fears of the unknown or any reluctance to enter the occasionally cold water. Although the visit provides only a brief glimpse of this amazingly graceful and colorful world, it is like vacationing on an alien planet.



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A ray glides through the watery underworld of the Great Barrier Reef.

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# Women's rugby team crushes Colby



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Senior Kelly Orr drives forward in Saturday's match against Colby.

by Clara Cantor  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Rugby Team rolled in with a smashing victory at home this past weekend, beating the Colby White Mules 27-5. During the first dry game in recent history, the Polar Bears capitalized on their skillful ball-handling and renewed the intensity of their kicking game.

The match provided lots of entertainment for spectators, with the team playing in top form the entire time. Fifteen minutes into the first half, sophomore Alicia Velez scored the first try of the game, which was converted by Munny Munford '07, giving Bowdoin a 7-0 lead.

First year Maria Koenigs scored the second try, followed by a 75-meter run from fullback Daphne Leveriza '07. In the last few minutes before halftime, Colby managed to punch through the Bowdoin defense to score its lone try of the match, which went unanswered.

In the second half, the forwards and backs worked together to control the pitch. Margaret Griffith '07 and Claudia Marroquin '06 cooperated to spoil several of Colby's line outs while the pack continued to drive over the opposing team in scrum after scrum.

Offensive pressure from Kelly Orr '06, Jannelle Richardson '06, and Vanessa Vidal '08 was crucial. Juniors Munford and Sara Utzschneider controlled the back line, resulting in a series of support

plays by both backs and forwards. The game reached its pinnacle with Leveriza's second try, followed by a final score by sophomore Betsy McDonald.

The Bowdoin B-Side also overtook Colby, defeating the Mules 20-0. Sophomore Krystal Barker streaked across the try line for three stunning tries.

The Bowdoin forwards showed their prowess in scrummaging and rucking, providing plenty of ball possession for the backs.

Strong runs from Julia Bach '06, center Naomi Kordak '07, and Alanna Beroiza '09 sealed the game for the Polar Bears. Sophomore Rogan McCally secured the win by scoring her first try after a spectacular play by scrum-half Carrie Miller '08 off of a Colby scrum.

"Playing in that game reminded me why I love rugby so much," said Miller. "It was as though the entire team could read each other's minds and then be exactly where they were needed at precisely the right moment."

Forwards' captain Sarah Oberberg '06 agreed, "It really was the perfect climax to our season. The whole team played in a way that really showcased our hard work. The enthusiastic fans were stellar as well. It was just bam! Right on."

This game completed Bowdoin's regular season. The Polar Bears head into the post season with a 4-1 record. The ruggers will advance to the playoffs this weekend, competing at Southern Connecticut University.

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## MEN'S SOCCER

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Williams	8	0	0	12	1	0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	6	2	0	10	2	1
Middlebury	6	2	0	9	3	0
Amherst	4	2	2	7	3	3
Tufts	4	4	0	5	6	2
Bates	3	3	2	8	3	2
Wesleyan	3	3	2	6	3	3
Colby	2	6	0	7	6	0
Conn. Col.	1	7	0	4	9	0
Trinity	0	8	0	3	9	0

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Sa 10/22 at Trinity **W 3-0**

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Sa 10/29 v. Wesleyan 11:00 A.M.

## FOOTBALL

School	NESCAC			Stats		
	W	L	T	PF	PA	
Trinity	5	0	1	169	9	
Amherst	4	1	1	121	28	
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	4	1	1	72	72	
Colby	4	1	1	126	78	
Williams	3	2	2	99	107	
Tufts	2	3	1	71	67	
Bates	1	4	1	51	159	
Hamilton	1	4	1	54	160	
Middlebury	1	4	1	87	103	
Wesleyan	0	5	1	68	135	

**SCOREBOARD**  
Sa 10/22 at Trinity **W 23-3**

**SCHEDULE**  
Sa 10/29 v. Wesleyan 12:30 P.M.

## FIELD HOCKEY

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	8	0	1	12	0	
Middlebury	7	1	1	10	2	
Williams	6	2	1	9	3	
Tufts	4	3	1	7	5	
Wesleyan	4	3	1	9	3	
Connecticut Col.	3	4	1	7	5	
Amherst	2	5	1	5	7	
Bates	2	6	1	6	7	
Colby	1	7	1	4	7	
Trinity	1	7	1	5	8	

**SCOREBOARD**  
Sa 10/22 at Trinity **W 4-0**

**SCHEDULE**  
Sa 10/29 v. Wesleyan 11:00 A.M.

## WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Colby	7	0	1	28	3	
Tufts	7	1	1	23	5	
Trinity	6	3	1	16	9	
Amherst	5	3	1	16	9	
Middlebury	4	3	1	11	10	
Williams	4	3	1	15	11	
Connecticut Col.	5	4	1	15	9	
Wesleyan	3	5	1	16	9	
Bates	1	6	1	6	21	
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	0	7	1	11	15	
Hamilton	0	7	1	8	16	

**SCOREBOARD**  
F 10/21 v. Springfield at Smith **L 3-0**  
F 10/21 v. Gordon at Smith **W 3-0**  
S 10/22 v. Endicott at Smith **L 3-1**  
S 10/22 v. Middlebury at Smith **L 3-1**  
W 10/26 v. Tufts **L 3-0**

**SCHEDULE**  
F 10/28 at Williams 6:00 P.M.  
S 10/29 v. Hamilton at Williams 1:30 P.M.  
S 10/29 v. Middlebury at Williams 4:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S RUGBY

School	NERFU Div. II			Pts		
	W	L	T			
Bates	4	0	1	21		
Plymouth State	3	0	1	15		
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	3	1	1	15		
Southern CT State	3	1	1	14		
Univ. of Vermont	3	1	1	14		
UNH	2	1	2	13		
Smith	2	1	1	5		
Castleton State	1	1	1	5		
Tufts	1	1	2	5		
Norwich	1	2	1	5		
Northeastern	1	0	2	4		
Keene State	1	3	1	4		
Colby	1	2	2	2		
Wellesley	1	2	2	0		
UM - Farmington	1	2	2	0		
Middlebury	1	3	1	0		
UM - Orono	0	5	0	0		
Worcester Polytech	0	3	2	0		

**SCOREBOARD**  
Sa 10/22 v. Colby **W 27-5**

**SCHEDULE**  
Sa 10/29 at Southern Conn. 11:00 A.M.

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.

Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC, New England Rugby Football Union.

# Men's rugby loses to Colby

by Adam Feit  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Rugby Team suffered a crushing 30-5 defeat in Saturday's home match against Colby.

The match was close in the first 40 minutes, with Colby only managing an 8-5 lead at the conclusion of the first half.

Injuries in the second half to Bowdoin starters senior captain Alex Castro and junior Morgan Connelly significantly weakened the team.

Despite the final score, the match was very exciting with a great deal of back and forth between the two teams. Junior Dan Jaffe had an especially strong individual performance.

"Jaffe's really matured over the season—you can tell by the way he recognizes situations and is able to take advantage of his opposite's mistakes," said coach Rick Scala.

Jesse Butterfield '06 also turned in a great game.

"[He] can do it all. Whether you need him to take a line-out or take down the nastiest opponent, he can step right in to the game and execute," assistant coach Dave Miller said.

The rugby team's season is not over yet. The ruggers will challenge the University of Maine at Farmington tomorrow for its second postseason match, in hopes of qualifying for the New England Plate playoffs.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Hae-Min Gil closes in on a jumble of players in Saturday's game.



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# United in Opposition to Proposition One.

On November 8th, Maine will vote no or yes on Proposition One and therefore have the opportunity to support equality for all citizens of Maine or legalize discrimination.

Maine's current law allows the right to freedom from discrimination in housing, employment, credit and education on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, a physical or mental disability, religion, national origin or race. These are recognized and declared to be civil rights, which Proposition One would overturn. As such, Proposition One sits in glaring opposition to the "Common Good" philosophy for which Bowdoin College is known and respected. To oppose Proposition One is to publicly endorse Bowdoin's current philosophies and policies and to demonstrate its commitment to leadership in civil rights. As queer/trans faculty, staff, students and allies, we live our professional and student lives under the security of the non-discrimination policy of the College. Proposition One revokes this same security from our home and personal lives.

Bowdoin College competes to attract and retain the best and brightest students, faculty and staff, some of whom identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender. The ability to recruit from an international pool provides the College with a rich, diverse and productive environment that is required to make the College and the state of Maine competitive and economically healthy. Put simply, Proposition One will make it more difficult to recruit and retain queer/trans students, faculty and staff, or our allies who hope to work and live in an unbiased and welcoming environment. We believe Proposition One will be harmful to the College's ability to remain competitive with other employers and institutions of higher learning. Such an outcome would have negative consequences for our community and state.

For these reasons, we the undersigned oppose Proposition One and support equal rights and protection under the law.

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## Disgracing service\*

Just months from now, U.S. Marine and Bowdoin senior Alex Cornell du Houx '06 will head to Iraq and risk his life for his country. This should have been a solemn and reflective time for our community, and a time for Cornell du Houx and his family to mentally prepare for his tour of duty. Yet, it appears that Dan Schuberth '06 saw it as an occasion to make a political statement. For Schuberth, secretary of the College Republican National Committee, to "question [Cornell du Houx's] logic and motivation" for doing his duty and to call him "one of the most vocal opponents of...our country" was reprehensible and devoid of reason.

Schuberth has every right to disagree with Cornell du Houx on matters of policy, but his comments became indefensible when he chose to attack Cornell du Houx's service instead of his beliefs. If Schuberth has a "Support the Troops" magnet on his car, his own hypocrisy would render those words hollow indeed.

The notion that a proponent of the war, who himself is not serving in the military, would attack his classmate for putting his life on the line simply because he disagrees with the Bush administration is, quite frankly, mind-boggling. We thought that he may have thought better of his remarks. We were wrong. He said he stands by his comments.

His statement raised some interesting questions. Would Schuberth rather have Cornell du Houx shirk his duty to the United States and quit the military because of his political beliefs? If Cornell du Houx had quit, would Schuberth have then attacked him for not serving his country? Finally, does he think all military personnel who disagree with the administration should no longer serve?

It's a shame that Schuberth cannot stop playing politics for even a moment to recognize his countryman's service without accompanying it with a vicious attack. One would hope that no matter how bitterly two political opponents disagree, they would be able to rally around someone's decision to take up arms in defense of America.

Apparently, a moment like this is merely another opportunity for Schuberth to try to score political points. Such a comment has no place in public discourse and highlights the very reason why so many distrust politicians.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

## President Mills: Vote 'no' on Question 1

To the Editors:

As a Brunswick resident and citizen of Maine, I applaud the Maine Legislature and Governor John Baldacci for their approval last spring of legislation making it a crime to discriminate in housing, employment, credit, public accommodations, and education based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. I believe current efforts to repeal these protections at the polls in November are wrong and inconsistent with the fundamental principle of equality in America.

Americans are fortunate to live in a society founded on the concept of equality. Much work remains to be done to meet the challenge of achieving equal rights in American society, but progress is undeniable,

and principle must be protected.

I am privileged to lead Maine's oldest college, an institution founded at the dawn of our Republic and one that long ago established its own anti-discrimination policies. These policies state that in its employment and admissions practices, Bowdoin does not discriminate "on the basis of age, race, color, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, creed, ancestry, national and ethnic origin, or physical or mental handicap." Bowdoin's policy has nurtured an environment where individuals can make contributions based upon their intellect, energy, interests, and abilities. And it underscores the need to evaluate ideas on their merits.

The protections provided by Bowdoin College to its students, fac-

ulty, and staff do not promote one lifestyle over another. They simply provide equal footing for all to participate in our learning community. The state law in place today does the same for Maine. It does not create special rights for one group over another. It simply extends equal rights to all of our citizens. By granting equal access to education, housing, and jobs, Maine makes a statement to the world that we believe in the founding principles of this nation and that we are not willing to abide prejudice, hatred, and fear.

On November 8, I will vote "no" on Question 1. I urge other Maine voters to do the same.

Sincerely,  
Barry Mills

## Schuberth's comments were deplorable

To the Editors:

In a recent editorial, the Orient wrote that the deployment of Alex Cornell du Houx brings the war in Iraq close to home, thanks him for his service, and wishes him a safe return. The Orient, students, staff, professors, and the administration are amazingly supportive of Alex. In contrast, the comments of senior Daniel Schuberth on BCN are profoundly disturbing.

I have worked closely with Alex in the College Democrats, Habitat for Humanity, the Community Service Council, and yes, Students for Peace. He has proven time and time again at Bowdoin and in Maine that he is here to serve his country with community service, political activism, and military service.

Schuberth questions Alex's logic and motivation. Alex's story is not illogical. He enlisted in the Marine Reserves because he feels that it is a valid way to serve his country. The country then got involved in a war which the majority of Americans now see as a mistake. Alex criticized the war because he did not feel that it was the right path for the country.

For a Marine to speak out against a war takes amazing courage of conviction, as well as an incredible dedication to doing what he feels is right for his country, whether it is easy or not. But he will not back out of his contract with the United States. He

says and believes that it's his duty to serve, and he will fulfill his duty. His motivations have always been grounded in the same principles of service to his country and that means fulfilling his duty as an American to question government policies and fulfilling his duty as a Marine. It is shameful for Schuberth to criticize the integrity of a man who, as Professor Franco put it, exemplifies democratic citizenship at its best.

Sincerely,  
Sara Schlotterbeck '08

To the Editors:

Watching BCN News this week, I was appalled to see one of the leaders of the Bowdoin College Republicans criticize and question Alex Cornell du Houx's logic and motivation for serving in the Marine Corps. It is sad to see a Bowdoin student emulate the disrespect displayed by such contemptuous political hacks as Rush Limbaugh, who recently called Marine veteran Paul Hackett's service in Iraq an attempt to "pad the resume." As one of our own classmates prepares to leave for Iraq, it is a time for the Bowdoin community to put politics aside and express our best wishes to Alex and our appreciation of his sense of duty.

Sincerely,  
Matt Thomson '06

To the Editors:

After hearing Dan Schuberth's comment regarding Alex Cornell du Houx's deployment to Iraq, I can't help but puzzle over the utter lack of practical reasoning exhibited here.

It seems as though Mr. Schuberth envisions our world as one in which individuals function solely according to their ideals, however, the unfortunate fact is that other outside factors sometimes hinder us from carrying out our ideals to the fullest extent. In this case, Alex enrolled as a Marine, a decision founded upon principles of service, before the war in Iraq had even appeared on the radar screen. Making the assumption that Alex enlisted as a Marine after the inception of the war with Iraq seems like a glaring oversight easily remedied by a mere few minutes of rational reflection. How could this lapse have occurred?

Perhaps we would all do well to apply a little practical logic in our criticism of our opponents' actions. Instead of making derisive comments whose true messages are barely-concealed expressions of personal vendettas against our opponents, maybe we should channel our efforts toward more productive ends.

Sincerely,  
Anna Remillard '08

## Linhart's notion of 'liberty' is skewed

To the Editors:

Reading the erroneous and misleading statements in Alex Linhart's, "For freedom to hire, vote yes," I was inclined to let them pass—examples of youthful ignorance and ideological zealotry. On reflection, I believe silence is a mistake.

Linhart begins, "America is a society that values liberty over equality," citing the Declaration of Independence as canon. Problem: before the declaration mentions liberty, it declares, "We hold these truths to be self-evident. That all men (sic) are created equal."

Linhart's assertion of liberty's primacy over equality ignores past episodes when the opposite was true. Passage of the 14th Amendment, New Deal programs, and the 1964 Civil Rights Act are just a few examples.

In my view, there has always been tension between equality and liberty in

American culture. Many from privileged backgrounds, like Linhart's, seem oblivious that, for the have-nots and powerless, equality of economic opportunity and political voice is a precondition for full exercise of liberty. That kind of equality—not the freedom to come to work in drag—is at the heart of Maine's November 8 gay rights vote. (Indeed, employers will remain free to impose dress codes when attire substantially affects work performance.)

Our Republican stalwart might consider that two major threats to liberty in my lifetime have been Republican in origin: McCarthyism in the 1950s and today's Patriot Act, which gives the FBI authority to monitor Linhart's emails and library transactions.

Sincerely,  
David Vail  
Adams-Catlin  
Professor of Economics

To the Editors:

Alexander Linhart makes a great point when he says that "America is a society that values liberty." Nothing makes me prouder as an American than to know that my fellow citizens will not be refused service or employment because of the color of their skin or their gender. I fervently hope that more and more citizens will be extended this liberty and not be excluded by individuals who grasp on to an outmoded and close-minded world view.

Linhart would do well to recognize that it was once socially unacceptable for an employee to be female or African American and that there is no reason to cling to the dubious morality of our Founding Fathers.

Sincerely,  
Sam Minot '08

## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

## Do not drill ANWR for oil

To the Editors:

I want to respond to Zachary Linhart's op-ed of October 21, in which he declares that drilling in ANWR would decrease America's dependence on foreign oil as well as lower gas prices. First of all, according to Linhart's own math, we consume around 20 million barrels of oil daily, and wells at ANWR would provide 1.4 million barrels a day. Well, unless this SUV generation of Americans drastically cuts its fuel consumption, where will the remaining 18.6 million barrels come from—the Clampetts' back yard? A seven percent decrease in foreign fuel still leaves 93 percent; we will still be grossly dependent on foreign oil. In terms of lowering gas prices, Linhart doesn't realize that it's not the supply of oil that's the problem so much as the refineries not producing gasoline quickly enough.

Moreover, drilling in ANWR would require oil rigs and large pipelines (like the Trans-Alaska Pipeline) to be built. This will cost billions of dollars and come to nothing when those oil fields give out in 20 years.

The best way to reduce our dependence on foreign oil is to reduce our overall consumption of oil...or let hillbillies shoot into the ground and hope for the best.

Sincerely,  
John Ferriss '08

## Open health center during the weekend

To the Editors:

In the immortal film *The Princess Bride*, the villain Count Rugen declares, "If you haven't got your health, you haven't got anything." We disagree with the Count on every other issue, but we heartily agree with that statement.

To make sure we all have our health, the Bowdoin Women's Association began working for weekend health center hours last year. Currently, students troop to the emergency room for sprained ankles and ear infections, when all they need is a quick appointment. Students who need EC, which must be started immediately, have to find it elsewhere at some difficulty and pay higher prices. The current situation is a negative one for the health of all students.

Although Bowdoin faces financial constraints, weekend hours will not be exorbitantly expensive. Three hours on Saturday and Sunday will cost about \$9,000 per year, and instituting a trial period from late November to the end of the semester will cost around \$2,500. These are piddly sums compared to the amount of money pumped into the various construction projects.

We applaud BSG's decision to support weekend hours at Dudley Coe and Dean Foster's and Dr. Benson's willingness to work on this issue.

Improving the health and safety of all students is a noble goal and one we can easily achieve if we work together.

Sincerely,  
Heather Day '06  
Alison Driver '08

## Bowdoin film society has no political agenda

To the Editors:

In last week's *Orient*, Evan McLaren made it clear: he doesn't like *Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Prices*. But then again, he hasn't seen it. He criticized the film society for planning to screen it; he thinks it is "propagandizing."

We haven't seen it either. But we have the chance to premiere a movie by a notable (and controversial) director/producer. This is a great opportunity—to not screen it would be bad business! We might judge it to be as miserable and biased as McLaren has prejudged it to be. Simply because we screen something doesn't mean we give its message some sort of tacit endorsement. Most documentaries are political by nature. That doesn't make them less worthwhile.

We screen a movie because we think it will be engaging, cinematically valuable, and because we think people will come to view it. Whether *High Cost of Low Prices* will be any of those, we don't know. We hope so. Whether we'll agree with its conclusions or not, it doesn't matter. Love it or hate it, agree or disagree, it's a film. And we are a film society.

Sincerely,  
Brendan Mortimer '06  
Davin Michaels '06

## Rugby Union is certainly a mental sport

To the Editors:

As the nation's second collegiate women's rugby football club to receive varsity status, we were excited to see the article, "Rugby deserves more attention" in last Friday's *Orient*.

Upon reading it, however, we were offended by Mr. Samen's statement that rugby "lacks the mental aspect [of other sports]." Besides being a generalization, this is simply untrue.

At James Cook University, Samen is experiencing a different game than Rugby Union, which is the type of rugby played here at Bowdoin and internationally. This distinction aside, rugby is an extremely mental sport. Offensive players use strategy and foresight to manipulate the opponent's defense in order to score. Samen praises coaches' involvement in determining plays in football; rugby players must use their own judgment to decide upon and implement plays amidst the fast pace of a match.

Furthermore, rugby's intense physical demands require an additional level of mental strength; a player must endure a harsh tackle, get up, sprint to the next breakdown, read the opponent's field position, and either call or execute a play, all within a few seconds.

Contrary to Samen's belief, rugby is, in fact, the epitome of a mental sport.

Sincerely,  
Kelly Orr '06  
Daphne Leveriza '07  
Sara Utzschneider '07

## Miers nomination was important

## You Got Conserved



by Will Hales  
COLUMNIST

As most have figured out in the past few weeks—among them George Bush and his strategy team—there are better Supreme Court nominees than Harriet Miers. However, her nomination was not the greatest of my worries; Harriet Miers's nomination to the highest court in the country represents to me the pinnacle, or more appropriately, the abyss of what has become a potentially injurious trend in the American political system.

The vulnerable position held today by the Bush administration directly influenced the choice of a Supreme Court nominee who in the past and under different standards would never have been chosen. With Miers withdrawn, Bush is now under even greater pressure to nominate a confirmable candidate, and I am sorry to say that this candidate will likely be another Harriet Miers.

Ever since the failed nomination by Ronald Reagan of Robert Bork, the paper trail has unfortunately become a primary criterion of

American presidents in choosing candidates for the Judiciary. As a result, candidates whose political positioning is less clear are more attractive, giving their opposition less ammunition in hearings. This tactic, however, is problematic, because it has been known to backfire. No one should be more cognizant of this than W, whose father is not so proudly responsible for David Souter, whose less than steadfast conservatism has proven this point, and aggravated a paranoid right wing in the process.

Miers's questionable record and qualifications spoke volumes about the tenuous position held by the Bush administration. Bush's nominations are not only important to the way the Court rules for the next few decades, but because of the administration's extraordinarily low public image and the upcoming midterm congressional elections in which the entire House and a third of the Senate seats are up for grabs, Bush is between a rock and a hard place.

In losing the Miers nomination, Bush has already expended a great deal of political capital, and finding a viable replacement could prove to be more difficult than pushing a Miers confirmation. By showing his hand with his use of the strategy of choosing politically ambiguous

nominees, Bush has not only alerted the Left to look out for weak candidates, but more importantly, he has alienated his own conservative power base. It is incredibly significant that the majority of the attacks on Miers came from the right, because it demonstrates that when it comes to judicial nominees, the radical Right won't settle for a moderate, even for the sake of a painless confirmation.

This leaves Bush in a nearly impossible quandary. His go-to option promising an easy confirmation just got shot down, and you can bet that conservatives and liberals alike will be looking for another Harriet Miers by any other name. He lacks the influence and unquestioned control of the Senate Judiciary Committee and Senate itself to nominate an extreme conservative and have any real hope of coming away with another justice. His only workable option is to nominate a candidate whose credentials as a thoughtful judicial figure respectful of precedent impress Senate Democrats, while also stressing a conservative philosophy. This is the formula that worked for John Roberts; he performed extremely well in hearings and proved to the Democrats that he would be a good justice and that he would not overturn *Roe v. Wade*, making his conservative leanings easier to swallow.

Were he to nominate a true female conservative to the bench—someone with a proven judicial record, such as Edith Brown or Edith Clement of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, he could maintain his stalwart support from the right wing, especially the conservative Christian power base the GOP depends on. This nomination would draw no flak from the right, but would undoubtedly run into strong opposition from Senate Democrats and give that party a bit more ideological momentum going into the congressional elections.

The course Bush took with Miers was to nominate a candidate whose conservative record is unimpressive, in a bid to take the wind out of the Democratic sails and hold on to the influence he is now in danger of losing. He took the support he typically has from the right for granted and took a considerable hit for doing so. His only recourse at this point is to propose a nominee conservative enough to appease the right and smart enough to be tolerated by the Left—a John Roberts clone?

The Miers debacle and resulting trauma of a replacement nominee will inflict a tremendous political cost that will have Republican members of Congress cursing his name as they struggle to maintain their seats in the most important round of congressional elections in decades. However, the ramifications of Bush's next nomination could carry far past his administration and the balance of power in Congress. It is easy for me to write that he needs to nominate a real conservative regardless of the resulting fight, because I don't have to worry about re-election, but the gravity of the trend toward weak candidates necessitates a change in the way nominations are made. To dare dilute the eminence of the Supreme Court of the United States by nominating a candidate on the grounds of political expedience is not just troubling, but wholly indefensible.

## It is time to begin gradual withdrawal

## Speaking Truth to Power



by Ben Kreider  
COLUMNIST

On Tuesday, the media confirmed the 2,000th American casualty in Iraq. Now, just over two and a half years since the war started, it seems a fitting time to examine the U.S. presence in Iraq and develop a feasible exit strategy.

U.S. public opinion has turned decisively against the war. The latest Harris poll, published October 25 by *The Wall Street Journal*, showed that sixty-six percent of those surveyed believe President Bush is doing a poor or "only fair" job of handling the war. The same poll showed that sixty-one percent do not believe our policies in Iraq will be successful. Clearly, doubts and anger about the war have broken into the mainstream.

Unlike some on the Left, I do not support an immediate withdrawal. I have been active in the anti-war movement since before the invasion started, and I can tell you that virtually no one thinks that all of the troops should be taken out immediately. Such an action would be foolish.

What we are advocating is the development of a viable exit strategy. The troops need to start withdrawing sooner rather than later, preferably within the next year. As of now, the administration has no plan to get us out. Democratic Senator Russ Feingold of Wisconsin has proposed a bill in the Senate that would establish a timetable to bring the troops home. It is time that we seriously consider this proposal.

Our presence in Iraq is doing more harm than good. Iraq is a sovereign

country, and its people do not want us there. Furthermore, the astronomical cost of the war has led to cuts in already-underfunded social programs. It is no coincidence that Congress seeks to cut student aid and a variety of social programs as the bill from the war climbs. The cost of the war now stands at over \$200 billion, according to the National Priorities Project (NPP) at <http://www.costofwar.com>. With 152,000 U.S. troops currently in Iraq, a number that has actually increased recently, there is virtually no end in sight to the financial burden this war continues to place on both current programs and future generations.

It is worth examining what this money could have been spent on instead of an endless war built upon a web of lies and deceit. For instance, the NPP states that the money could have been used to create 9.87 million four-year scholarships to public universities! There are a myriad of other areas the money could have gone toward. Helping to cover the 45 million Americans without health insurance is another example.

Now that we know the human and financial costs of the war, it is worth examining the consequences of a withdrawal. The United States obviously has a responsibility to keep Iraq stable. No one is advocating "cutting and running." Conservatives merely use this rhetoric to scare people and avoid the real questions about this war.

Iraq will never be secured by a large, outside occupation force. The Pentagon itself has admitted as much. In congressional testimony, Army General George W. Casey, the top U.S. commander in Iraq, explained that the large U.S. force is part of the problem. He is quoted in

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## Formulating an exit strategy

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the October 1 issue of the Los Angeles Times as explaining that troop reductions were necessary to "take away one of the elements that fuels the insurgency, that of the coalition forces as an occupying force."

The Iraqi people resent our presence. It will be up to the Iraqis themselves to secure their own country. Iraqi police forces have made a great deal of progress in the last few years, but more needs to be done to train them properly and turn over areas of the country to them. In addition, the administration should propose that a multilateral conference be held, inviting members of the Arab

League, UN, and NATO. If countries in the Middle East are never brought to the table, there will never be peace.

It will be far harder for jihadists to get public support when coalition troops are not present in large numbers. The insurgency is largely fueled by hatred of the American presence, so a withdrawal would make it harder for Al-Qaeda and other groups to recruit members and get the support of moderates in the Arab world.

It is time to seriously examine the costs of this war and ask the tough questions about where we are headed. We need an exit strategy now. Honor the dead. Heal the wounded. End the war.

## State must advocate equal opportunities

by Aaron McCullough  
CONTRIBUTOR

Our Founding Fathers established this country on the principles of liberty and equality. In the same sentence that the Declaration of Independence enumerates our natural rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, it boldly states, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal." While tension exists between liberty and equality, a certain degree of equality is necessary to maintain liberty.

Most essential are equal protection and representation by the government. Imagine if the state protected the property rights of only select citizens. We would risk falling into the hands of a tyrannical or authoritarian regime, similar to that from which we separated (and that which Alex Linhart warns against). Though it is unrecognized to most, we live in an unrepresentative and discriminatory state.

Unlike some who live in a fictional world of "rights to everything," I would not argue that everyone has a fundamental human "right" to employment—one must earn a job and meet certain requirements to keep it. The American dream holds dear the notion of equal opportunities, but it has never guaranteed equal outcomes.

The Maine Human Rights Act protects equal opportunities in employment (among other areas) at the expense of an employer's liberty to hire or fire anyone for any reason. Businesses retain the right to offer or terminate employment based on merit and performance, the only just cause for such action. If the referendum on Question 1 is successful, the Maine Human Rights Act will fail to guarantee equal opportunities, homosexuals and transgendered will be denied the same protections as every other group.

Reading a libertarian argument for "choice" from a contemporary Republican is almost as laughable as it is hypocritical. Setting that debate aside, even most libertarians acknowledge some issues that need to remain legislated. Even if you believe that more legislation is bad, we must work within the confines of our legal system. A time existed when any private group could deny anyone employment based on any criteria, but states began legislating this choice away years ago.

If Question 1 passes, the government will protect every imaginable minority group except homosexuals.

The only "choice" left will be discrimination based on sexual orientation. Even if you defend the liberty of private entities to discriminate, this right does not belong to the state. On the contrary, the state has a duty and responsibility to protect and represent its citizens and to do so equally. If the state will advocate for someone regardless of their age, race, color, sex, physical or mental disability, religion, ancestry, or national origin, it must also do so regardless of one's sexual orientation. By allowing the state to discriminate, we all risk losing the liberties we cherish.

In truth, the state discriminates in multiple arenas every day. We need only look at our tax system. However, we have consented to redistribution to ensure equal opportunities for all and to meet a moral obligation to our fellow citizens. The right of the state to discriminate against certain minority groups deemed as "threats to national security" is perhaps more contestable. Either way, there is no justification for the government to selectively support basic rights for everyone except homosexuals. If the best argument we can put forth is the refusal to let "the state of Maine feel that it has the right to tell [us] whose morality [we] should accept," then we should have begun this fight years ago! Moreover, we should start by abolishing the Human Rights Act altogether. The only other just choice is to protect all minorities equally.

Political liberty, the freedom to affect change and participate in government, is the most important liberty of democratic peoples. When the state is allowed to discriminate, political liberty, or any liberty for that matter, can be granted or denied at any moment. I urge everyone to use this liberty to vote "no" on November 8. This is the civil rights movement of our time. It is essential that we end this discrimination now if for nothing else than for our liberty itself.

## A novel coupling combination

### Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

We have an untapped resource among us. I know, it's amazing. I'm shocked myself. After three years here, I thought I had seen everything there was to see, done everything there was to do, and certainly conceived of every possible coupling imaginable. I was wrong. Ladies and gentlemen, I give you the senior girl and the first-year boy.

We're all familiar with the combination of the senior boy and first-year girl, with her short skirt and polar bear ears, and his alluring off-campus house with a keg shell pyramid next to the porch couch. She is both fresh-faced and naive, and he is well-seasoned and only too happy to show Little Miss Moore Resident the ropes. After all, the first-year face-book is the holy grail of every senior boy's first week back to school, and there's no doubt that there are plenty of first-year girls just dying for a cute 30 College Street resident to give her a "tour of the house."

Not that I'm a little bitter or jeal-

ous of these adorable young things, but I'm interested in something new. To all you first-year boys, I've got a present for you. It often comes wrapped in a sweatshirt (like a tuxedo but so much more comfortable) and slightly greasy hair. It knows its way around both campus and an extra long twin bed, and it is usually the proud bearer of a 21-year-old ID. "It" is a senior girl, and she wants to get to know you.

For some reason beyond my comprehension, there is a stigma surrounding older girls who date younger boys. I, for one, fail to see a downside. First-year boys are eager to learn, eager to please, and eager to catch up to their female classmates. During my first year, I vividly remember my male friends bemoaning their involuntary celibacy. I cruelly laughed at their sad plight and waltzed off to a series of holiday parties, hickies blazing.

Well, now the tables have turned. On any given night, you will find my adorable, smart, funny roommate and me, sitting around our rickety kitchen table complaining about the decided lack of Saturday night sleepovers we've had so far this year.

Enough is enough. Let the first-year girls and their senior chaperons grind the night away in a sweaty

embrace at the Ladd Luau. First-year boys, it's time to step it up. Stop leaning awkwardly against the wall discussing computer disks or whatever it is you all talk about, and challenge that gorgeous senior girl to a dance-off in the middle of the pub dance floor. At worst, she'll be flattered but decline. At best, she's got \$3 for the cab ride home and a single bedroom big enough to continue that dance-off somewhere a little more private.

Sophomores and juniors, this goes for you as well. Senior girls have a lot to offer. Beyond our cozy off-campus houses with their full-sized beds and beautifully painted Beirut tables, many of us have cars that we'll gladly use to spirit you away to delicious restaurants and quaint corners of the Old Port that, until now, you've only dreamed of. Wondering what classes to take next semester? Forget RateMyProfessor.com—ask that cute senior girl, and she'll tell you everything you need to know. And I shouldn't even need to mention our access to the treasure trove that is Uncle Tom's keg menu, nor will I ruin the surprise of what exactly that private dance-off will entail, except to say that there is a world of fun awaiting you beneath those sweats.

Trust me.

## Wal-Mart is detrimental to all

by David Duhalde  
CONTRIBUTOR

Most Bowdoin College students may wonder why so many people either criticize or commend Wal-Mart. One side views Wal-Mart as the devil incarnate. The other side seemingly praises Wal-Mart as one of the best examples of capitalism at work. Reality usually lies somewhere in between two polar opinions. In this case, it lies closer to the former.

It cannot be denied that Wal-Mart offers lower prices to consumers. Students and working people often rely on Wal-Mart's lower prices because these groups have constrained budgets. While Wal-Mart can offer lower prices on their own goods, their practices end up taxing all of us, whether we shop there or not.

Wal-Mart has approximately 1.3 million American employees whom they deceptively call "associates." The not-so-leftist Business Week reported that the most common jobs in Wal-Mart pay poverty wages and that workers are not guaranteed health insurance. According to Harper's Magazine, in 2004, the estimated potential cost to the American taxpayers was \$2.5 billion to provide government programs such as low-cost housing, basic children's health insurance, and free and reduced-price lunches. Wal-Mart is pleased that these expenses do not come out of its \$10 billion in annual profit.

Wal-Mart's ability to make such profits at the expense of others is what brings us to criticize it. Its profits do not fairly benefit its employees, who are the backbone of the corporation, or the foreign sweatshop workers who make many of their products. Wal-Mart has the ability to pay better and still prosper. According to WakeUpWalMart.com, if Wal-Mart added half a penny to the cost of every product per dollar, it could raise the salaries of every employee \$1,800. Aside from salary, Wal-Mart has committed other inexcusable labor abuses. This year, the Wall Street Journal reported numerous child labor violations. Wal-Mart has locked-in overnight employees, preventing numerous workers from getting treatment for on-the-job injuries for hours.

Wal-Mart systematically prevents its workers from improving their conditions by using brutal and sometimes illegal union-busting methods. Numerous workers have lost their jobs for legally trying to organize or even successfully organizing a union. Wal-Mart's bad working conditions have resulted in high worker turnover rates.

Its commercial rivals do not share Wal-Mart's practices. Target, which will open a center in Topsham, pays much higher wages than Wal-Mart. At Costco, another rival, unionization has resulted in loyal workers while maintaining strong stock prices. These have brought serious questions to the logic of Wal-Mart's labor practices. In addition to being bad on labor issues, Wal-Mart has been accused of poor gender and environmental practices. The Financial Times in 2003 reported that while women make up the majority of Wal-Mart's work force, they make a lower proportion of the managerial positions (one third) and store managers (15 percent). By 2004, over one million current and former female employees won the

largest class-action lawsuit in history against Wal-Mart based on gender discrimination.

If you care about the beauty of Maine, you should care about Wal-Mart's environmental practices that continue to cause destruction in numerous ways. The epitome of suburban sprawl, Wal-Mart fosters low-density, poorly planned, vehicle-oriented development far from the center of communities. Aside from the human impact, this negatively impacts wildlife habitats, along with air and water quality.

Also environmentally damaging is the traffic caused by Wal-Mart's. The Wal-Mart "Supercenters" in the San Francisco Bay Area cause an additional 238 million vehicle miles traveled each year. These extra miles traveled could cost communities in the Bay Area up to \$256 million in added costs for infrastructure repair and environmental degradation. WakeUpWalMart.com reported that the corporation has been fined millions of dollars by the federal and state governments for contaminating water sources. As Brunswick residents, it is imperative that we put pressure on our local Wal-Mart not to damage our easily contaminated ground water.

Our impact as college students may be limited, but our voice is crucial. To deny that Wal-Mart can offer lower prices to college students is dishonest. It is similarly dishonest, however, to ignore Wal-Mart's negative effects on our Brunswick community.

The Democratic Socialists encourage Bowdoin students to view Wal-Mart: *High Costs of Low Prices*. Wal-Mart is able to spend millions on its public relations, but we cannot. As a club, we are beginning a pro-town campaign to raise awareness about Wal-Mart's detrimental effects and to encourage students to utilize downtown merchants. Our goal is not to eradicate Wal-Mart but to reform its practices. We can do this one Wal-Mart at a time.

Draw cartoons for the Orient!



Send submissions to [orientopinion@bowdoin.edu](mailto:orientopinion@bowdoin.edu).

# The Weekly Calendar

## October 28-November 3

### Friday

#### Common Hour

Bowdoin's student performance groups will be the focus of the Parents Weekend Common Hour.  
Morrell Gymnasium, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

#### Sarah and James Bowdoin Day

Parents, students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend a celebration of students' academic achievement, featuring a speech by journalist A.E. Hotchner.  
Morrell Gymnasium, 4 p.m.

#### Film: Shaun of the Dead

Shaun's girlfriend breaks up with him, so he tries to get her back—but suddenly zombies invade the city. Now Shaun and his friends have to kill the zombies, as he tries to save his girlfriend—and their relationship.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### Bowdoin Women's Association

Have some cozy fun at a pajama party while watching *Real Women Have Curves*, a coming-of-age movie about exploring within and being proud of who you are.  
Womens Resource Center, 7 p.m.

#### The Real Inspector Hound

See this comic play written by Tom Stoppard and directed by Matt Herzfeld '07.  
Wish Theater, Memorial Hall, 8-10 p.m.

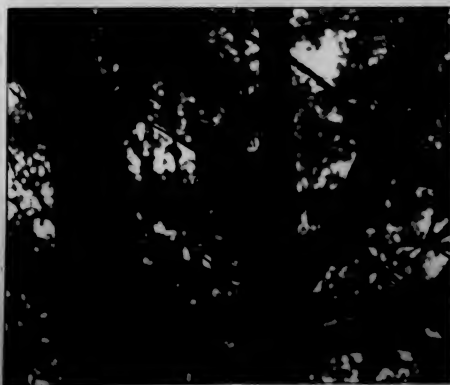
### Sunday

#### Parents Weekend Fun Run

Register to participate in a 5K run through campus. Proceeds will benefit the Joshua L. Chamberlain Museum in Brunswick.  
Bowdoin Chapel, 9 a.m.

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Yellow leaves brighten the Bowdoin campus trees.

### Saturday

**Film: Shaun of the Dead**  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

**The Real Inspector Hound**  
Wish Theater, Memorial Hall, 8-10 p.m.

#### Student Performances

Performances by Anokha, Arabesque, Boka, Gospel Choir, Longfellows, Meddiebempsters, Obvious, Poeting, Unity Step Team, and Ursus Verses.  
Morrell Gymnasium, 8:30 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Fall creates a bed of scarlet leaves on the Quad.

### Monday

#### Artist Lecture

Listen to Steven Albert '89, realist painter and digital scene creator, describe his artistic works. Albert is known in part for visual design in the film *Shrek*.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 4-5:30 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Bowdoin Breakfast

Dr. Thomas Ng, a high-technology investor from Singapore, leads a talk entitled, "The World Is Not Flat, But Indeed Round!"  
Thorne Dining Room, 7:15-9 a.m.

#### Teaching in Private Schools

Ben Snyder '80 discusses the recruiting process for teaching positions in private schools.  
CPC Resource Room, Moulton Union, 4-6 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Communion

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to an Episcopal communion service led by Edie and Gil Birney.  
South Private Dining Room, Moulton Union, 12-1 p.m.

#### Bowdoin Friends

Local supporters of Bowdoin invite students to an informal supper to engage in conversation and build relationships.  
For more information, contact Dian Petty at [diank4@msn.com](mailto:diank4@msn.com)

### Thursday

#### Town Council

Discuss issues at the Brunswick Town Council Candidates Forum, sponsored by the People Plus Center.  
Municipal Meeting Facility, 44 McKeen Street, Brunswick, 7-9 p.m.

#### Merton of the Movies

See this comedy production about the "golden era" of the silent movie and the young actors who dream of making it big.  
Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 8-10 p.m.



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## Merton charms crowd in 1920s comedy



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Michael Wood '06, as Merton Gill, and Jacqueline O'Hare '06, as Tessie Kearns, perform in the Department of Theater and Dance's fall play, *Merton of the Movies*. See related article, page 6.

## Students prepare for referendum vote

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

The Bowdoin campus has become a battleground for groups fighting on both sides of Maine's upcoming referendum on gay rights, Question 1.

The ballot question reads, "Do you want to repeal the law prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation?" The measure is on the ballot as a response to a law passed earlier in the year by the Maine Legislature that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

Numerous student organizations are involved in the debate, and many are planning Election Day activities. Organizations that have mobilized include the College Democrats and Republicans, the Bowdoin Queer-Straight Alliance (BQSA), the Bowdoin Women's Association (BWA), the Democratic Socialists, and the newly-formed Queers and Allies group (Q&A).

According to Professor of Government Chris Potholm, the key to the campaign is convincing rural Mainers that discrimination is a problem.

"You and I might think there's discrimination based on sexual orientation, but a majority of people who live in small towns do not believe that," Potholm said in an interview. "They genuinely do not believe that there is a problem."

Potholm said that the most recent polling of definite voters had the "Yes" vote leading by a margin of seven to eight percent. However, Potholm said that confusion with the wording of the measure would give the "No" side an extra five percent.

Campus groups are mostly focusing on getting Bowdoin students and community members to the polls. While acknowledging that the College Democrats had been doing some phone banking over the last two

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## Schuberth retracts criticism of Cornell du Houx's service

Leaders of College Democrats not satisfied with apology

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

After publicly questioning the "logic and motivation" of U.S. Marine and Maine College Democrats President Alex Cornell du Houx '06 for his military service, Secretary of the College Republican National Committee Dan Schuberth '06 has issued an apology. Schuberth called Cornell du Houx, who is leaving for a tour of duty in Iraq in December, "one of the most vocal opponents of...our country."

In a letter to the Orient, Schuberth wrote, "In my attempt to deal a blow to a political opponent, I made the mistake of questioning his patriotism and motivation for choosing to fight in Iraq."

"While I strongly disagree with Alex in terms of his political beliefs and his demeanor towards those who disagree with him," Schuberth continued, "it was inappropriate of me to question his patriotism and motivation for joining our armed forces. As I stated before, I have nothing but the highest degree of respect for any

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## Field hockey finishes season undefeated, looks to playoffs

by Burgess LePage  
STAFF WRITER

For the first time since its inaugural 1972 season, the Bowdoin Field Hockey Team finished undefeated in its regular season with a 14-0 overall record, making it fourth in an NCAA Division III ranking. Bowdoin trounced Wesleyan University 7-1 in its final game of the regular season on Saturday.

At the end of the game, Coach Nicki Pearson pulled her team aside to congratulate them on their win.

"I think of this game as being the end of the first chapter of our season," Pearson said. "You have the rest of today and tomorrow to re-read that chapter as many times as you like," she said. "And believe me, it's a great read."

But after that, she said, it is time for the next chapter—the playoffs.

For Allyson Craib '06, Pearson's guidance has been an integral component of the team's success. "She has had an amazing impact on us this year," Craib said.

"She has really focused on team unity, and it has proved to work. This is the closest team I have been on and Nicki has had a great impact on our ability to work as a whole," she said.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Lindsay McNamara '09 assisted the Bears in a 7-1 victory against Wesleyan last Saturday, securing the team a spot in the DIII top four.

Reflecting on the season, Val Young '08 described the Middlebury game as one the season's highlights. "Middlebury is always a huge

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## Federal regulation may ease digital wiretapping

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

A new regulation may soon give the government the ability to monitor user communication on the Bowdoin network without the College even knowing about it—and requires the College to pick up the several-hundred-thousand dollar tab for the system upgrades needed to make it possible.

Several groups have already mobilized to fight the new rule.

In a regulation issued earlier this month, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) reinterpreted a 1994 wiretapping law known as the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA) to

encompass digital communication facilitated by broadband service providers like Bowdoin and other colleges.

Originally, CALEA forced telephone-service providers to re-engineer their systems to allow the government to remotely wiretap traditional telephone lines. The new interpretation expands this requirement beyond conventional telephony to other forms of digital communication such as email, video conferencing, and VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). VoIP utilizes an internet connection to place telephone calls.

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## New regulation may allow government to monitor the Bowdoin network

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higher education advocacy groups are fighting the regulation in court, claiming the rule is both unnecessary and an invasion of privacy.

Bowdoin's Chief Information Officer Mitch Davis told the Orient that he believed that those fighting the rule would be at least partially successful since data monitoring was not meant to be a part of CALEA.

The new FCC regulation claims that it "will enhance public safety and ensure that the surveillance needs of law enforcement agencies continue to be met as Internet-based communications technologies proliferate."

Under the old system, if the government obtained a proper subpoena it would have to work with IT at Bowdoin in order to set up surveillance. The new rule would allow the government to monitor communication without Bowdoin's cooperation.

"They want to do it and not inform anyone that they are doing it," Davis said. "Before they'd have to come in and ask me: 'We need access to this data traffic.' And we could provide it for them."

Davis expressed nervousness that the rule would mean less privacy

for computer users.

"They want unlimited access without oversight," he said.

The American Council on Education (ACE), an organization of which Bowdoin is a member, appealed the decision last week to the federal appeals court in the District of Columbia. The ACE, which describes itself as the "unifying voice of higher education," estimates that the new regulation will cost colleges and universities \$7 billion to comply.

ACE's vice president and general counsel Sheldon E. Steinbach argued that the current system is adequate and the new regulations are unnecessary.

"In filing suit, we hope to convince the FCC that colleges and universities can provide the same access through alternative approaches without the need to incur the \$7 billion expense of revamping our computer network systems," Steinbach said in a press release.

"When you evaluate efficiency versus the incredible cost of compliance, we just don't think it makes a lot of sense."

While he did not expect that the College would get actively involved in the legal fight, Davis said he supports the efforts to appeal the new regulation.

Speaking with The New York

Times, an ACE official estimated an approximate cost of \$450 per student to make the necessary upgrades. If this number is correct, such an upgrade at Bowdoin could cost in the vicinity of \$750,000.

While expressing uncertainty as to what the final price tag might be for Bowdoin, Davis speculated it would cost between \$200,000 and

\$400,000, but said it could be higher if the data provisions in the rule were upheld by the courts. According to Davis, the annual budget of IT is approximately \$2 million.

Davis said that in his time at Bowdoin the government has only once asked for access to network data. He said, however, that the

request was moot since the student user in question had already left the College. He would not elaborate on the details of the case other than to say that it involved "illegal content that was being passed around."

The rule goes into effect on November 18. If it is upheld by the courts, institutions will have 18 months to comply.

*"They want to do it and not inform anyone that they are doing it... They want unlimited access without oversight."*

Mitch Davis  
Chief Information Officer

## Freelance journalist reports on Iraq problems



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

U.S. journalist and photographer Dahr Jamail spoke to a full Kresge Auditorium Wednesday night about his experiences covering the war in Iraq. Jamail, who works independently of major news organizations, focused on his criticism of abuses at the Abu Ghraib prison, Iraqi hospital supply shortages, and combat in Fallujah.

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# College announces dean finalists, process for student, faculty input

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

After a lengthy search for candidates for the position of dean of academic affairs, the Search Committee has narrowed the field of applicants to four contenders, all of whom have been invited to visit the campus.

The four candidates—Hamilton College Associate Dean of the Faculty and Associate Professor of Chemistry Timothy Elgren, University of Pennsylvania Associate Professor in Sylvia Cristle Judd, University of Dayton Dean of College of Arts and Sciences and Professor of Biology Mary Morton, and MIT Professor of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences Kip Hodges—were selected from a pool of over 100 applicants.

According to President Barry Mills, the caliber of the applicants was "extremely high with many people who are excellent. It was gratifying to see the interest in the position."

Those applying for the position underwent a rigorous evaluation as the Search Committee sought an "accomplished scholar who is ambi-

tious for Bowdoin." The committee was also looking for a sensitive candidate who would be well-liked by the student body, according to Mills.

The applicants came from various backgrounds—some professors, some school administrators. According to an email statement by Mills, "We are very pleased to have had a diverse and remarkably talented applicant pool from which to choose and to have these four strong candidates to introduce to the campus community; we are enthusiastic about all of them."

The four candidates will be arriving on campus for their evaluations soon—Elgren from November 7 to 9, Judd from November 9 to 11, Morton from November 14 to 16, and Hodges from November 16 to 18.

According to Mills, these visits will be an opportunity not only for the Bowdoin community to be introduced to the candidates, but also for the candidates to become acquainted with Bowdoin. For this reason, Mills said that it is important that the campus community show them the best of Bowdoin.

In an effort to involve the entire

community in the selection process, all students, faculty, and staff are welcome to attend the open-campus meetings at which point the candidates will make statements and answer any relevant questions.

According to the email, the Search Committee welcomes "reactions and comments from all members of the community about the candidates. You may choose to convey your comments orally to any member of the Search Committee (who will then convey them to the rest of the committee), or you may choose to provide your comments in writing."

While this level of involvement is not necessarily available in many colleges, according to Mills, it is typical among smaller colleges such as Bowdoin to involve the whole community in this process.

Over the next few weeks, the Search Committee will be conducting formal referencing of each of the candidates.

The Search Committee is slated to meet during the week of November 28 and hopes to reach a final decision by the end of the calendar year. The new dean will begin work July 1.

## Bowdoin organizations rally support for, against Question 1

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weeks, Co-President Frank Chi '07 said that the group was primarily working with the Bowdoin and Brunswick community.

"The Bowdoin College Democrats are going to focus on Brunswick and Bowdoin on Election Day," he said.

The College Republicans also have been working chiefly on the Bowdoin campus. According to president Alex Linhart '06, "We have done three main things in response to the referendum—host Michael Heath, put up posters around campus and distribute information to students, and help get students to the polls early."

Proponents of the referendum are attempting to frame the issue as a stepping stone to gay marriage, as well as a constraint on economic freedom. "This type of language can be used as a gateway to gay marriage either in the judicial system or legislation," said College Republicans National Secretary Daniel Schuberth '06.

According to Linhart, "A small business owner shouldn't have the government telling him who he can and cannot hire when that decision should be his alone. The government should not interfere with his efforts of achieving profit-maximization."

Groups opposing the referendum see the measure quite differently.

"This is a moral issue. It's about basic human rights. Anyone who is a human being should be treated fairly," Chi said.

Co-president of the BQSA Dan Robinson '07 echoed his sentiments. "This is about ending legal discrimination in Maine," he said.

Members of the groups opposed to the referendum are confident about how Bowdoin students will vote on the measure.

"There is overwhelming support here," said Q&A student liaison Margaret Munford '07. "I think because I view the state of Maine through the lens of Bowdoin I have optimism that people will vote 'No.' Munford was less sure about other areas of the state. "I worry about Western Maine, Northern Maine," she said.

Schuberth countered Munford's optimism.

"I think the 'Yes' vote's going to carry the day. The 'No' folks haven't

galvanized their base and they have not portrayed the consistent message that they need to portray for victory. They've tied themselves into fighting whether or not this will lead to gay marriage."

Potholm said that the opponents of the ballot measure have made two mistakes. First, by saying that the referendum is not about gay marriage, the opponents are tacitly acknowledging that gay marriage is a part of the debate.

"This is not about gay marriage," Potholm said. "Gay marriage is your opponent's best issue."

The second mistake, Potholm said, was emphasizing the fact that Maine is the only New England state without protection from discrimination based on sexuality. "If you don't want people from Maine to like something, say it's from Massachusetts," he said.

Emily Sheffield '06 was frustrated by what she felt to be the acrimonious debate between the two sides.

"I think that political activity at Bowdoin is very polarized, or at least students are presenting their views in such an extreme manner that it's difficult to find middle ground," she said. "There are always many aspects of a political controversy to take into consideration; I find it frustrating when such debates are presented as black and white."

BWA Co-Chair Heather Day '06 expressed exasperation with the measure itself. "Not having the language of sexual orientation in Maine's law system is just ridiculous and it makes no sense in terms of allowing discrimination," she said.

Day was also concerned with what she perceived to be that absence of activism on the issue at Bowdoin. "It's been kind of bizarre with the lack of activity that there's been on this campus. If it was a national issue it might garner more support."

### CORRECTION

Due to an editing error, the October 29 article "Dudley Coe considers limited weekend hours" misspelled Alison Driver's name. Driver also shares the position of co-chair of the Bowdoin Women's Association with Heather Day '06.

## Schuberth apologizes for calling student Marine "one of the most vocal opponents of...our country"

APOLOGY, from page 1

soldier who is brave enough to take up arms in defense of his or her country. This respect is offered regardless of a soldier's political beliefs. I sincerely apologize to those who were offended by my remarks."

When contacted by the Orient last week in regards to his original statement, Schuberth said he stood by his comments.

His recent retraction drew attention from members of the Maine College Democrats and the Bowdoin College Democrats.

Asked about the apology, Co-president of Maine College Democrats Bree Dallinga '06 said, "What apology? It was not much of one. It was basically someone twisting his arm and telling him to do it. He did it because the higher up in the party told him to."

Dallinga charged that Schuberth's original comment and his apology were both "sad political moves with much thought put into them but not much conscience behind them."

"He has to say he respects soldiers but obviously that's not the case," she said.

Bowdoin Democrats Co-President Frank Chi '07 mirrored Dallinga's sentiments. "I feel that exterior pressures definitely played a part in his apology," Chi said. "Considering Mr. Schuberth's future career in politics, he probably realized that a statement such as the one he made would even-

tually come back to haunt him."

"Nonetheless, it does take some guts to eat your words and apologize. I commend him for that," Chi added.

Schuberth declined comment on whether his decision to apologize was motivated by outside pressure.

A number of well-read blogs around the nation have criticized Schuberth's original statement.

"Just as such former College Republican greets as Scooter Libby and Karl Rove betrayed the identity of a CIA agent for political purposes, you [Schuberth] accuse a Iraq-bound Marine of treason simply because he protests our leader's policies. Obviously, you have the right stuff to go far in today's Republican Party," posted a blogger on Operation Yellow Elephant (<http://operationyellowelephant.blogspot.com>). A link to Schuberth's email address is available on the web site so visitors to the site can contact him.

SaveTheGOP.com, a conservative blog, also disapproved of Schuberth's comment.

"I think this quote was stupid. It made the story a bigger deal—and gave positive press to the College Democrats and negative press to the [College Republicans], which is exactly the opposite of what we should always be doing," blogger Alexander Brunk wrote.

In an interview with the Orient, Cornell du Houx said, "I have received emails and calls from outside the Bowdoin community who

all agree that Schuberth's comment was inappropriate and it shows how he is willing to put his own political gain above anything else."

Bowdoin Republicans President Alex Linhart '06 said, "I personally support Dan's [apology] statement wholeheartedly." He said he could not comment on the College Republicans' views on either Schuberth's original statement or his retraction.

"I commend Dan for summoning the humility to acknowledge, in retrospect, that his comments were irreverent," Bowdoin College Democrats Programs Co-Chair Anya Trundy '06 said.

"I hope that with this controversy now put to bed, the Bowdoin campus will find occasion to reflect upon Alex's sobering deployment," she said.

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

### NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

#### Chapel service will celebrate the life of Katie Scott '06 this afternoon

Bowdoin will hold a memorial service for Kathryn Scott '06 today at 12:30. The chapel service, entitled, "Kathryn Ann Scott: A Celebration of Life," will be led by Mary Baard, who is associate pastor of the First Parish Church in Brunswick.

The service will offer an opportunity for students who wish to reflect on Scott's passing and share their expressions of remembrance. In addition, a condolence book will be available for members of the community to offer support to the Scott family. Entries can either be made at the reception immediately following the service in Main Lounge or next week in the Office of the Dean of Student

Affairs. Contributions to the Kathryn Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund can be made to the Bowdoin Annual Fund.

Violinist Tim Kantor '07 and the Bowdoin dance group Obvious will perform as part of the service.

#### Bowdoin web site no longer included in Google database

Google searches billions of pages—but not the Bowdoin College web site.

If you have performed a Google search for "Bowdoin" in the past two months, you probably have not gotten exactly what you were looking for. Bowdoin's web site, which was judged "Webby Worthy" by the prestigious Webby Awards earlier this year, has been missing from google since the beginning of the school year and the College is still

waiting for it to reappear.

The College requested that its web site be temporarily removed from the online search engine after an ethnically insensitive remark in an alum-written guide to Portland was discovered on the site in August. While the page was immediately taken down by IT officials, the language had still been showing up in Google's database.

According to Chief Information Office Mitch Davis, Bowdoin has been told that it will have to wait until Google's computers automatically re-index the web site before it will again be included in search results. Davis was unaware when exactly this would happen.

Asked if the delisting had resulted in decreased traffic to the site, Davis said, "No, not really."

—Compiled by Dan Hackett and James D. Baumberger.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

-Attendance: 24/26. Absent: Emily Goodridge '08, Alex Linhart '06.

-The academic affairs committee will be distributing a survey to students this week regarding the

ideas proposed in the academic bill of rights.

-It was noted again that the shuttle service begins today, and buses will be taking students to Bates for the football game tomorrow.

-The SAGC spoke with the BSG about how it distributes money to campus groups.

## Even 'light' cigarette smoking is very bad

### Ask Dr. Jeff

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center  
jbenson@bowdoin.edu

Dear Dr. Jeff: We all know heavy smoking is very bad for you. But what about one or two cigarettes a day? M.P.



Dear M.P.: Although there is a definite dose-response relationship between smoking and its harmful effects, smoking even one or two cigarettes per day poses very definite health risks and causes very definite harm.

Cigarette smoke consists of a complex mixture of over 4,000 organic and inorganic compounds, generated by the combustion of tobacco and additives. They include cyanide, benzene, formaldehyde, methanol (wood alcohol), acetylene (the fuel used in welding torches), and ammonia.

Many of these compounds cause heart and lung disease. Forty-three of these compounds cause cancer. Together, they make cigarette smoke a Class A carcinogen, a substance that is dangerous in any amount. There is no such thing as a safe level of exposure to a Class A carcinogen, no matter how small, no matter how infrequent.

There are other shorter-term factors to consider as well.

Some of smoking's immediate harm comes from just inhaling hot smoke. Our respiratory trees are lined with millions of tiny hair cells called cilia, which rhythmically beat up out of our lungs the foreign particles we normally hap-

pen to breathe in. Cilia constitute a primary line of defense against respiratory pathogens and irritants. But cilia are very sensitive to heat. In fact, the heat from the smoke of a single cigarette will paralyze them for a full day. That's why smokers wake up with a "smoker's cough." Their cilia can't clean them out overnight, and they're left to try to cough themselves clear in the morning.

Another consideration: smoking a cigarette or two per day will likely expose others to secondhand smoke, itself a Class A carcinogen and the cause of a great deal of harm to others. Others, I needn't remind you, who have themselves chosen not to smoke cigarettes. Secondhand smoke is the third leading cause of preventable death in the U.S.

And then there's the risk of addiction. Nicotine is very addictive. Very addictive.

It is obviously the reason all regular smokers smoke and the same reason it becomes so hard to quit. After a time, it's easier to quit alcohol or heroin than cigarettes.

Few people can smoke only one or two cigarettes per day for long. Nicotine has greater than a 50 percent addiction rate over time. That means that after a year, over half of those who started off only smoking occasionally become full-time smokers—and full-time nicotine addicts.

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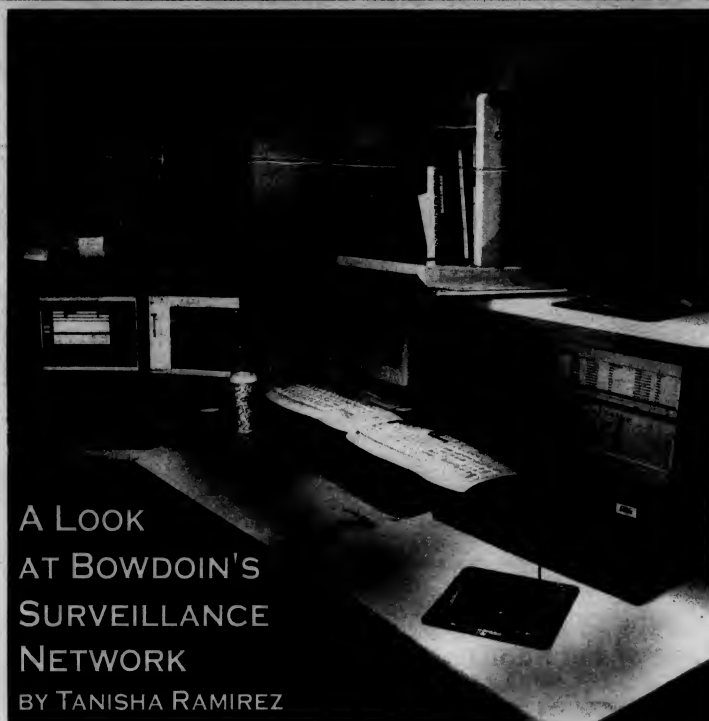
cigarettes too many.

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Dudley Coe Health Center

*Nicotine is very addictive. ... After a time, it's easier to quit alcohol or heroin than cigarettes.*



A LOOK  
AT BOWDOIN'S  
SURVEILLANCE  
NETWORK  
BY TANISHA RAMIREZ

Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The idea of 50 Bowdoin Security surveillance cameras constantly recording activity all over campus can be either comforting or unnerving.

With security cameras in and around just about every building on campus, it is fair to say that anywhere you go, you may be recorded.

Some people are keenly aware of these surveillance cameras and make a conscious effort to avoid being caught doing something illegal or embarrassing.

Others are only vaguely aware of their existence and become acutely paranoid about "Big Brother" watching them when they realize how often their actions are captured on camera.

The Bowdoin College campus is being watched by 50 CVC-GANZ high-resolution digital color cameras.

The system was installed five years ago by a company called Advance Technology.

All cameras, except for two, are digital recorders, which send recorded footage to a hard drive located in the communication center. The hard drive can hold up to five weeks worth of data.

Digital cameras are generally thought to be better than regular cameras, which record data onto video tapes, for many reasons. Most simply, a hard drive can store more video footage than a tape. Security is now in the process of upgrading the only non-digital cameras left on campus: one in the Bowdoin Bookstore and one in the Bowdoin Express Store (the "C-Store").

Randy Nichols, Bowdoin's new director of safety and security, a 27-year veteran of the Maine State Police, has been with Bowdoin for

more than two months now.

Nichols said that he is "absolutely, tirelessly dedicated to safety of the Bowdoin Community" and that security's surveillance cameras help make the school more safe.

Nichols stated that the cameras have been "an invaluable tool" when it comes to solving campus crimes. The cameras have assisted in solving at least a half dozen crimes within the last two months. He insists that the cameras are not used as a monitoring device but rather as an investigative tool.

*"We [Security] are not Big Brother, watching over every move that people make."*

Randy Nichols  
Director, Dept. of Safety & Security

In fact, he pointed out, not all of the cameras can even be monitored at the same time. They are watched in clusters by a security officer on duty in the communication center.

Often video data recorded is reviewed after a crime has been committed. When the time and place of a crime is confirmed, the digital images are recalled and reviewed.

Officers retrieve clear and crisp images that can be enhanced and enlarged to help identify suspects.

The cameras work not only in identifying criminal suspects, but also in deterring crime. One Bowdoin student who asked to remain unnamed is cautious around cameras.

"I'm always aware of the cameras, but I've never been caught doing anything. They have definitely stopped me from doing something stupid. I think they are quite obviously placed, so in places on campus that

I don't see them, I just assume that they are there and I'm careful not to do anything against the rules."

Nichols said that the cameras are not necessarily hidden but are "fairly unobtrusive."

It is easy to feel comfortable around them, he added, because they "become such a normal part of the environment."

According to Nicholas, the Bowdoin community has nothing to worry or be paranoid about when it comes to the surveillance cameras as "99 percent of the time there is nothing there [for the cameras] to see." The cameras generally work as a deterrent. When people know about them, they are less likely to commit crimes because they know someone could be watching them.

On the flip-side, because the security cameras are useful only after a crime has been committed, Nichols advises that Bowdoin students not travel alone, especially at night. He suggests that students call Safe Ride and remain alert.

He points out that the College does not have cameras facing the perimeter of our campus, meaning that off-campus housing, Maine Street, College Street, Federal Street and Harpswell Road are not monitored.

"Bowdoin is safe—wonderfully safe. However things do happen," he said.

To learn more about the security's surveillance cameras or other related topics, students can tune in to "Listen! The Safety and Security Show" on Thursdays 3-4:30 p.m., hosted by Nichols and Assistant Director of Security Mike Brown on WBOR 91.1FM. In addition to tackling important security issues, they play an eclectic collection of music and interview Bowdoin bands.

*The cameras work not only in identifying criminal suspects, but also in deterring crime.*





# A Look Back

*Clippings from the Archives*

## Bowdoin Orient.

### MACMILLAN RUNNING AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Entered Hudson Bay on August 19—Crew Well and Happy—Says the "Bowdoin" is a Wonder.

Professor Donald B. MacMillan 98, with a crew of six men, on the schooner Bowdoin has headed for winter quarters on the western side of the great uncharted Baffin Land. On December 2, Charles S. Sewall 97, of Wiscasset, received a letter from the last mail which Professor MacMillan will be able to send for many months. The letter was dated: On board the Bowdoin, August 19. Latitude 64 degrees north; Longitude 76 degrees, 30 minutes west. Professor MacMillan reported himself and crew well, happy, and confident of accomplishing the work mapped out for them. He entered Hudson Bay on August 19, several days ahead of his schedule; and hoped to pass through the dangerous Furry-Heela Strait on the west coast of Baffin Land in ten days.

The expedition, headed by Professor MacMillan, left Wiscasset, Me., on July 16. It sailed to Sydney, Nova Scotia where it took on board the last supplies for the trip. While lying at dock, taking on supplies, the Bowdoin was rammed by the steamer Stellar Maris, but was able to set sail for the far North within a few days. In Hudson Bay many icebergs were encountered, but no pan ice. The expedition is near enough to the pole to render the compass useless. In steering the course the Bowdoin is guided by the coast line.

The boat is a wonder, wrote Professor MacMillan. He also stated that he felt justified in having faith in the Bowdoin's abilities to weather the rough seas and ice floes. And she has shown no ill effects of the damage received at Sydney, when she was squeezed so badly that the putty started from her seams for 20 feet on both sides.

If the expedition is not heard from by April or May, it will indicate that it has not been able to pass through the strait, and has been forced to pass the winter further down the coast.

The Boston Globe praises Professor MacMillan in these terms: The intrepid son of the Pine Tree State, veteran of Peary's dash to the North Pole, has reached the mysterious west coast of Baffin Land, where the foot of white man has never trod and where, according to Eskimo accounts, lie towering mountains with fantastic ice caps, and vast lakes bordered with strange flowers of rare beauty and a whole new world of animal life.

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Years Ago

#### AEROPLANE VIEW OF BOWDOIN COLLEGE CAMPUS

Showing the Walker Art Gallery and Hubbard Hall (the Library Building) on the left; while in the centre are the Soares Science Building, Memorial Hall, and the College Chapel, with its two historic towers; on the right at the back of the Chapel is the Gymnasium and the General Thomas Worcester Hyde Athletic Building, the Observatory and the infirmary.

(This view was taken during the month of August by Lieut. R. C. Moffat, Army Air Service, who made the first aeroplane landing in Brunswick.—Reproduced by permission.)

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Donald B. MacMillan sits with a dog on his voyage to the North.

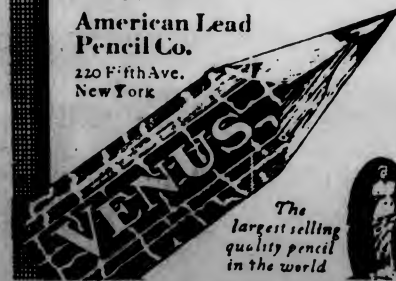
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## Student groups perform pieces for parents



Sharon Benjamin for The Bowdoin Orient

Taiko, Bowdoin's Taiko drumming group, performed along with Unity, Arabesque, Obvious, Vague, Poeting, the Longfellows, the Meddiebempsters, Ursus Verses, and Miscellania last Saturday in Morrell Gymnasium for students and their visiting parents.

## Alumnus Albert talks animation and art

by Frances Killea  
STAFF WRITER

A Bowdoin alumnus with a penchant for the paintbrush addressed an audience of current students and faculty Monday afternoon, discussing where his studies in art have taken him since graduating in 1989.

Steven Albert hails from St. Agatha, Maine, although he has made homes in cities on both coasts of the country as well as in London. During his time in Brunswick, Albert majored in art and was advised by current professor of painting and drawing Mark Wedli.

Since Bowdoin, Albert's talents and work ethic have allowed him to build an impressive resume... During his time at Dreamworks, he contributed to the backgrounds in movies such as *Balto*, *Antz* and *Shrek*.

beginning of his college career, he was not sure he wanted to be an art major, although art had always been a big part of his life.

"I told my father at five years old I wanted to be an artist," Albert said.

This aspiration was met with discouragement from Albert's family, however, and he entered Bowdoin with the intent of pursuing a different discipline. In the end, his love of art could not be repressed and he decided to follow it.

Albert headed to California after graduating, and he soon developed

his talent for linear design by painting the interiors of his Los Angeles and San Francisco apartments. His design skill came in handy when he landed a job with a movie production company that later became Dreamworks Pictures. During his time at Dreamworks, he contributed to the backgrounds in movies such as *Balto*, *Antz*, and *Shrek*.

"Dreamworks was my grad school," Albert said.

Burnt out by the vigorous demands the digital painting industry placed on him in the production of its films after the production of *Shrek*, Albert left digital art to concentrate on his work with the traditional paint and brush.

One of Albert's largest bodies of work deals with the interiors of cafés around the country, including some of the Bohemian Coffee House (at its old location) in Brunswick. Spending hours in coffeehouses, Albert would wait for the perfect light and situation to combine, taking multiple pictures of the scene.

Later, Albert would edit the images into one picture. Based on this compiled image, Albert would determine the ideal lighting, subject matter, and paint.

The resulting oil paintings (Albert works only with oil—he dislikes the way acrylics interact with light) are lovely, realistic pieces that glow with layers of paint that imitate sunlight and shadow.

In reference to the frequent appearances of chairs in his work, Albert said quite simply, "A lot of the time, they're simply there. When I paint, I don't think of metaphors."

To Albert, painting has more to do with seeing space than attempting to find meaning behind the space.

Albert ended his lecture with a question and answer period, during which he was asked if he ever misses his native Maine.

"I will always consider myself a New Englander," he said. "I will always consider Maine home."

## Merton of the Movies a trip back in history

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

College is a time of high ambition, youthful audacity, and relentless idealism. For these reasons, many of the audience members viewing the Bowdoin Theatre and Dance Department's production of George S. Kaufman's *Merton of the Movies*—which premiered last night and runs through this weekend—will identify with its starry-eyed protagonist.

"There are definitely parallels, reasons why I think people will be able to relate to this play, even though it's about the silent film era," said Director and Department Chair Davis Robinson.

The idea to put on *Merton of the Movies* was given to Robinson by none other than writer George S. Kaufman's daughter. Last year, Robinson participated in a production of another Kaufman play, *The Late George Apley*. When Ms. Kaufman came to speak to the cast, Robinson asked her if she would recommend one of her father's scripts for the Bowdoin Theatre and Dance Department to tackle. She suggested *Merton at the Movies*.

Set in the 1920s, *Merton of the Movies* chronicles the story of a small-town general store employee from Illinois, who dreams of achieving fame in the burgeoning moving picture industry. Merton Gill, played by Michael Wood '06, attends every screening that comes to town, fawns over the prima donna of the silver screen, Beulah Baxter (Hannah Weil '08), and is often caught re-enacting scenes from his favorite films by himself, behavior that troubles his adoptive mother, Mrs. Gashwiler (Ellen Powers '06).

Merton has glamour shots taken of himself posing as different characters in hopes that some talent scout or casting director will notice his supposed resemblance to popular actor Harold Parmalee. He even adopts the alluring stage name of "Clifford Armatage."

When Merton finally arrives in California, however, his naive vision of Hollywood as a bastion of artistic integrity is assaulted by the reality of movie-making: it is much less an art

than a business. Merton begins to meet professional actors—not the ones featured in the films, but the extras trying to scrape out a living. He meets J. Lester Montague (John Menke '06), a caricature of a man who keeps his dignity afloat with a pompous facade that is as ridiculous as it is transparent. Merton also meets Montague's daughter (Brandy Maloney '06), a regular in comedy pictures, a genre Merton views as vulgar.

Merton's refusal to compromise his art soon leaves him penniless, hungry, and sleeping outside the movie lot. Taking pity on the stubborn gringo, Montague's daughter dupes him into starring in a comedy film. Merton eventually concedes his aspirations of creating "meaningful art" and embraces his talent for selling cheap laughs.

This play is about perception ver-

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Blustery, pretentious movie director Sigmund Rosenblatt (center), played by John Ferris '08, pontificates to Weller (right, played by Luis Malave '08) and his cameraman (Theo Salter '07).

# Imminence of winter brings new wave of seasonal ales

by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

**SAM ADAMS WINTER LAGER—**  
(\$7.99 for a six-pack at Hannaford)

Ah, yes, 'tis the season for the beloved winter ales. Though I'm not a huge fan of the strong taste that characterizes most Sam Adams brews, I had heard good things about their winter lager and decided to give it a try. Called a "winter warmer," this seasonal beverage provides the drinker with a taste that is designed for the colder

months, with its "powerful malt taste and hints of cinnamon." This is where the "warmer" comes in, utilizing the warming effect of a Colt 45 malt profile while managing to steer clear of the melted plastic aftertaste associated with Colt.

For many years, winter lagers were rumored to be brewed with 25 to 30 snowflakes per bottle in order to give the brew the most authentic taste possible (and to keep it cold). I emailed the Boston Beer Company, where Sam Adams is brewed, to investigate this rumor. I have yet to hear back. This beer is as heavy as regular Sam Adams but lacks the bitterness, a welcome

change for those of us who don't like beer with too much bite. *My scores: Taste: 4.2, Partyability: 2.4, Benefit/Cost: 3.8.*

**SARANAC BLACK & TAN—**  
(\$7.29 for a six-pack)

For my birthday, I was lucky enough to receive a bucket full of cleaning supplies and a six-pack of beer from my loving parents. After giving my apartment a good scrub-down, I cracked open a tall bottle of Saranac's famous Black & Tan and enjoyed the blend of dark ale and light lager as I basked in the cleanest bathroom on campus.

Brewed by the Matt Brewing Company in upstate New York, Saranac has established itself as the Shipyard of my neck of the woods, continually wowing audiences with top quality beer. This brew was remarkably smooth for a prepackaged B&T, virtually eliminating the typical grainy taste that comes from traditional concoctions. When poured, this beer also has a lighter hue than many of its sib-

lings, a possible insight into why there is less of the dark ale's aggressive aftertaste.

After explaining the science behind a B&T, Al Hughes '07 remarked, "How can they make a beer that's black and tan at the same time?"

This was a fair question, and I still don't have an answer. In any case, if you enjoy a good black and tan I highly recommend this one.

But if you can't get your hands on one, you can make your own by mixing Guinness and Harp Lager. *My scores: Taste: 4.1, Partyability: 1.5, Benefit/Cost: 3.6.*

**MILLER LITE—**(\$4.99 for a six-pack at Hannaford)

Finally, a beer that has great taste and is less filling! Unfortunately this notion, purported by Miller Lite's marketing department, is false. Indeed, one bottle will reveal the taste to be very similar to other mass-produced light lagers.

In its defense, Miller Lite manages to squeeze a few drop of flavor into

each can. However, this flavor is the work of a corn-like sweetener. It's as if they took Miller High Life and put a third of the taste into it. Good news, though: Miller Lite only has 3.2 grams of carbs (Coors Light has 5 grams, Bud Light has 6.6 grams) and manages to deliver a mere 96 calories per beer (that's six less than Coors Light, 14 fewer than Bud Light).

Mike Crowley '06 was relieved to hear this news, saying, "It's good to know that there is something to drink for the peak performers out there."

Miller Lite can be a nice change of pace for anyone who is tired of drinking the same beer every weekend, but be warned: expectations should not be set too high. *My scores: Taste: 1.0, Partyability: 4.4, Benefit/Cost: 3.0.*

## CORRECTION

Due to an editing error, last week's DJ of the Week mistakenly reported Tawuan Patterson's year of graduation to be 2008. Patterson's year of graduation is 2006. The Orient regrets the error.

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## Merton explores 1920s film culture

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sus reality. Back home in Illinois, Merton dreams of leaving his mundane reality for the magical worlds of the screen and walking among its deities. In Hollywood, film's magical worlds are replaced by sets and props. Its golden gods and goddesses are replaced by pompous, ridiculous mortals. Idealism is replaced by pragmatism. Lofty dreams are pulled to earth by the gravity of reality.

These sticking points might seem a bit dreary for a play its director touts as "one of the funnest plays" Bowdoin has seen in a while. But its bleak thematic elements notwithstanding, *Merton of the Movies* is still a comedy, and is replete with funny characters. Contrary to the comedic aspects of the play is sophomore John Ferriss's role as the haughty director Sigmund Rosenblatt, whose physical stature seems inversely proportionate to his enormous ego.

For a cast of students raised in the era of DVDs and iPods, projecting themselves into characters from the 1920s was a challenge.

"In the '20s there was a different rhythm—people spoke differently, it was a younger country, it was pre-Depression, people had different sorts of hopes and dreams," said Robinson, "so it was a really good exercise of the imagination."

Wood, a veteran of Bowdoin theater, admitted that getting into character as Merton Gill was not easy at first. "It took me a while to realize that comedy doesn't necessarily imply acting 'silly' or 'goofy,'" he said.

In order to help Wood identify with Merton, Robinson showed him and the rest of the cast a number of silent films. "It became less about 'being funny' and more about being invested in achieving what I, as Merton, want to do," Wood said.

The Bowdoin Department of Theatre and Dance's production of *Merton of the Movies* will run Friday and Saturday nights at 8:00 p.m. in Pickard Theater. Tickets are free, and available at the Smith Union information desk.

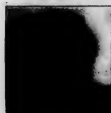


# Saw 2 not as sharp as original



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

*Saw 2* features high-stakes puzzles and gruesome violence similar to its predecessor. But due to its busy pace and lack of a full-circle finale, it falls short of the precedent set by the original.



by Gabe  
Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

Not being one to yell at the screen during a movie, I would like to congratulate *Saw 2* for provoking my very first in-theater outburst.

The inaugural yelp, which went something like "Don't you dare crawl into that oven!" was, of course, acutely premonitory. It was soon confirmed that Joe Hapless didn't give spelunking through an industrial size furnace during a horror film the second thought it probably deserved.

But more than anything, my desperate cry was indicative of the entire *Saw 2* experience, which, with its assortment of inept characters, myriad death traps, and churning clockwork of inevitability, comes closer to watching a meat grinder operate than a true thriller unfold.

The sequel to last year's dark-horse slasher, *Saw 2* sees Jigsaw, its trademark serial killer and torture device aficionado, up to his old tricks. This time, however, down and out cop Eric Matthews manages to capture the villain at the film's outset. Matthews, played by Donnie Wahlberg (the less fortunate of the Wahlberg brothers as far as genetics are concerned), finds the pale and wilted sociopath in the final stages of terminal cancer—an oddity frail

vision of a ruthless murderer. For Jigsaw, it would seem about time to hang up the splatter-proof parka and call it a day. Perhaps the most twisted of all of Neil Young fans, he would of course rather burn out than fade away.

His next masterpiece involves eight victims cooped up in a booby-trapped warehouse. With only two hours to escape before the nerve gas seeping through the vents takes their lives, Jigsaw's prey must tra-

verse a variety of horrific puzzles to ensure their survival. The catch is that detective Matthews can only watch helplessly as the proceedings unfold on several television monitors, and that one of the eight prisoners happens to be his only son. There are two games being played here: one between the detective and Jigsaw, the other between the inmates and the bells and whistles of their makeshift prison. As the plot moves forward, the games begin to compliment one another, and the audience soon realizes that the victims have more in common than initially indicated.

Yet the murderous puzzles of *Saw 2* don't have the same bite as those

of the original. *Saw* transcended its Razzie-worthy writing and acting through the simplicity of its premise: two people chained inside a bathroom must either cut off their legs in order to escape or find a way to kill the other and thus earn their release. That sort of interesting clash of wits is absent from the sequel, which instead plays like a morbid *Home Alone*, its characters groping around and clumsily setting off various Rube Goldberg-like devices. Instead of swinging paint cans and pools of marbles, there are eyeball shuckers and exploding mouth braces, which are almost as funny.

The filmmakers behind the original *Saw* also better understood the mechanics of a truly whopping finale. As the film progressed, the audience felt the proverbial rug beneath their feet before it was satisfyingly pulled out from under them. Not so with the closing sequence of *Saw 2*, which writhes in over-exertion, too complex to shock and just absurd enough to anger. The filmmakers set the final trap of the film and trigger it at the same time, denying their audience the opportunity to think that they could and should have seen it coming all along.

*Saw 2* is a capable Halloween thriller if only for its gritty style and generous helpings of gore. In its attempts to one-up its predecessor, however, this sequel deems obsolete the robust machinery that made the first *Saw* truly wicked. A shame, really, since the intrigue of the original was in bearing witness to characters forced to kill, not merely set up to die.

*Saw 2* is happy to exist as an enthusiastic catalogue of creative fatalities, but then, so is every *Nightmare on Elm Street*, *Friday the 13th*, *13*, *Childs Play*, and *Final Destination* that ever hit the block. We all know that movies like that can't hope for any form of successful longevity, of course.

# China Rose offerings indulgent, predictable

by Leslie Bridgers  
CONTRIBUTOR

Throughout their years at Bowdoin, most students develop some sort of relationship with China Rose. Whether they routinely attack the Sunday buffet or have challenged one of their toilets to a face-off, it is the most notorious Asian eatery in the campus community. However, if you have not yet set foot in the big building on Bath Road, let me tell you just what China Rose is all about.

First of all, this place is huge. As you walk into the entrance, you are greeted by a hectic display of pictures, postcards, and paper dragons (not to mention framed aerial views of Bowdoin on sale for \$19.95). Amid all of this chaos, you blindly follow the hostess to whichever table she chooses. I recommend that you take a moment to decide exactly what kind of eating experience you are hoping for, as China Rose offers any and all atmospheres.

For a well-lit, social, café-like feel, head past the buffet toward the picture windows, where you can enjoy your meal and a view of the gas station. For quieter and more dimly lit dining, duck through the archway to the right and into the main seating area. There are a few tables to the left on an elevated platform surrounded by half walls, providing for optimal intimacy. But, if you're purely in it for the grub, there is plenty of seating right next to the buffet, so the line won't have to waste any extra calories walking back and forth.

Really, though, who isn't about the food? China Rose does offer a full menu for both sit-down and take-out meals and advertises itself as not only a restaurant but also a cocktail lounge. However, as indicated by the plaques on the walls that boast of its repeated acknowledgment as one of the best of New England, the essence of China Rose is its buffet.

The first line of defense against hunger is the salad bar. Three words: waste of space. Who eats salad at a Chinese restaurant? Not me, though the raisins and cottage cheese did look rather appetizing. But don't fret,

once you pass the greenery, an assortment of fried foods awaits.

The vegetarian rolls were drowned in grease, but the chicken egg rolls were drier and mildly tasty. What the crab rangoon lacked in crab flavor it made up for with chewy fried goodness and globs of cream cheese. The sweet and sour pork, however, was just plain gross.

The only soup worth trying is the wonton, which not only tastes good, but gives you the chance to play chef by adding shredded pork and scallops in your own preferred proportions.

The next line of main dishes includes slightly different variations of meats and vegetables. The pork chop suey was surprisingly sweet, while the sesame chicken, covered in a candy red coating, was deceptively un-sickening. My sensitive taste buds hesitated at the sight of the warning sign above the spicy szechuan chicken, but I handled it with ease, barely detecting a spice.

Among the vegetarian options, however, the spicy szechuan bean curd, served with mushrooms and peas, was rather hot and very reminiscent of Indian flavoring. Bean curd was also offered Family Style, fried and served with broccoli and red pepper.

The sauteed broccoli and szechuan green beans were both cooked to a perfect crisp, proving that you can eat somewhat healthily at a Chinese Buffet. The Dieter's Special steamed vegetables, however, tasted as though they'd been mopped with a wet dog.

The staple side dishes of pork fried rice and vegetarian lo mein were both disappointingly bland, but could be well replaced with the combo rice noodle.

Alas, the dessert table, nearly as futile as the salad bar, offers mushy bananas in peanut butter, yellow Jell-O, chocolate pudding, and various fruits. If you really need to end your meal with something sweet, go for the soft-serve ice cream machine.

All in all, China Rose is what it is. Topped off with a fortune cookie, it's the cheap, crappy, self-serve Americanized Chinese food in which we capitalists love to indulge.



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China Rose delivers the classic Americanized Chinese fare. The food is satisfying, but by no means unique.

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# SPORTS

## Football rebounds with win over Wesleyan

by Chris Bucci  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Football Team bounced back from its loss against Trinity with a 35-10 victory over Wesleyan. Saturday's victory, improving its record to 5-1.

The Bowdoin defense made the most of its opportunities, forcing two fumbles and two interceptions. But, the story of the game was Bowdoin's offense, led by quarterback Ricky Leclerc '06.

Leclerc threw five touchdown passes, setting a new school record for single-game receiving scores. His performance earned him Player of the Week honors. Scott Brisson '06 and Jared Prichard '06 both pulled in passes from Leclerc for scores.

Senior Jeff Nolin caught the other three touchdown passes tying a school record. Nolin and Leclerc were not the only Bears to break records. Linebacker Sean Kezer '06 broke Bowdoin's career tackles record, surpassing Dave Best's '95 tackle record with a total of 266 tackles.

Wesleyan started off the game with a long drive, capped by a field goal to take a 3-0 lead. The lead was short-lived. The Bears responded as Leclerc marched them downfield and connected with Nolin on an 18-yard pass.

After Dave Donahue '07 made an interception, the red hot offense struck again. Leclerc hit Nolin for a 24-yard touchdown pass to open the lead, 14-3. After Wesleyan's next drive ended with a missed field goal, Leclerc went to the air again. After a 10-play drive, he hit speedy wideout Brisson, who broke into the end zone to add to the Polar Bear lead.



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Senior running back Matt Boyd breaks through a pack of players against Wesleyan on Saturday. Bowdoin defeated the Cardinals 35-10.

Wesleyan scored on a rush by Phil Banks to make it a 21-10 game, but that was as close as the Cardinals would get.

Leclerc, who, according to fans, was "in the zone" and "seemingly unstoppable," finished off a long drive with a touchdown pass to his roommate, Prichard. Leclerc was not finished. He went to his trademark play of the year, going deep to Nolin for a 72-yard touchdown pass to

make the final score 35-10.

Leclerc went 16-25 for 317 yards, five touchdowns, and no interceptions. The humble Leclerc attributed the victory to his teammates' performances. "The receivers were running great routes today, and they really made it easy for me. I actually missed Jeff twice. He could have had five touchdowns," he said.

Despite those two misses, Nolin, who had six catches for 161 yards

and three touchdowns, gave his quarterback all the credit, saying, "We all knew he was capable of a day like this. When people play us in one-on-one coverage, Ricky just tears them apart."

Fellow wideout Brisson was just as complimentary, saying, "He's the most underrated quarterback in the league. There aren't too many guys that throw five touchdowns with no interceptions."

Next week the Bears play rival Bates. The high octane offense and punishing defense will look to demolish the 1-5 Bobcats.

Senior Mike Hickey takes the Bobcats seriously, despite their abysmal record. "We won't make the mistake of looking past these guys to Colby. We don't let our stats do the talking. We go out every game and prove to teams that we're just better than them," Hickey said.

## Men's XC finishes fourth at NESCAC Championship

by Scot McFarlane  
STAFF WRITER

Taking advantage of another tough, hilly course, the Bowdoin Men's Cross Country Team captured fourth at the NESCAC Championship meet at Wesleyan.

The Polar Bears were outpaced by Tufts, Williams, and Wesleyan in Saturday's meet. The team came painfully close to Wesleyan's 99 points with a team score of 105.

The Wesleyan course featured a devastating climb during miles two and four of the race. It was so steep that some racers were forced to walk up the hill.

The top two Bowdoin finishers, sophomores Tyler Lonsdale and Nate Krah, ran very smart races, according to coach Peter Slovinski. "They were in 30th place after a mile, and moved up relentlessly. They ran beautiful races and ended up in the top 20," Slovinski said.

First-year Archie Abrams made a great championship debut, sticking with the lead pack during much of the race for a sixth-place team finish.

Sophomore John Hall and junior Owen McKenna ran solid races, placing in the top 30 overall. McKenna struggled for the early portion of the race, but turned up the heat to pass ten runners in the final leg of the race.

Top runner Andrew Combs '06 fell early on in the race. "Andrew has been our top runner all season. He fell in the second mile and didn't get back into his rhythm after that. He's a tough and inspired runner in the biggest races, so I think he'll come back with a great race next week," Slovinski said.

Satisfied with its performance, the team looks forward to another strong race at Regionals. The Bears hope to surge past Wesleyan and surprise Keene State.

Ben Martens '06 said, "A lot of potential was shown and it should be a good meet to build upon."

Lonsdale echoed this sentiment. "The Bears are not only the best looking team in NESCAC, but also the strongest pack out there," he said.



Courtesy of Mike Lonsdale

Owen McKenna '07 and John Hall '06, trailed by Andrew Combs '06, race toward the finish at the NESCAC meet.

# Athlete Profile: Christine Gannon



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Senior Christi Gannon is an indispensable member of the field hockey squad.

Anna Messerly  
STAFF WRITER

Passing by Pickard Fields on Monday, one might have wondered if a few dozen trick-or-treaters had gotten lost and ended up on the Howard Ryan artificial turf.

Upon closer examination, one would have noticed that the pumpkins and devils were not young children and that they held field hockey sticks. Monday, October 31 was the annual Halloween field hockey practice.

If any team deserves a break from tough practices and conditioning, it is the field hockey team. Finishing the regular season with a 14-0 record, the squad clinched the conference and a home-field advantage in the NESCAC championships.

This season would not have been possible without the outstanding leadership demonstrated by senior captain Christi Gannon.

Not only is Gannon an "offensive powerhouse," co-captain Burgess LePage '07 said, "She has been described as the team mom because of her warm, comforting aura."

Gannon is ranked ninth in career goals at Bowdoin, and a fantastic sophomore season placed her fifth in most goals scored in a single season.

Head coach Nicki Pearson, who Gannon believes was instrumental in the team's successful season, added, "Not only has she scored some key game-winning goals, but she has also created some golden opportunities for other forwards."

Not all of Gannon's contributions to the team show up as statistics. "It is so clear how much she wants to win, and that desire trickles down to the rest of the team as we follow the

example she sets," co-captain Margaret Gormley '06 said.

Coming to Bowdoin with eight years of field hockey experience under her belt helped prepare Gannon for her college career.

"As a freshman here at Bowdoin, I saw quite a bit of playing time," Gannon said. "My absolute love of the game has kept me going these past four years."

After receiving NESCAC All-Academic honors her junior year, Gannon was chosen to be one of three captains for her final season. Gannon is known among teammates and coaches for successfully managing her time. "Field hockey has taught me the discipline required for the academic workload, and I am very grateful for that," she said.

LePage added, "She is dedicated to ensuring that her teammates are handling the many pressures that come with trying to juggle academic, athletic, and social life."

While she is honored to lead the undefeated squad, she gives credit to her co-captains, teammates, and coaches for this season's success.

"Our scoring distribution this year really reflects how our season is the result of a genuine team effort," Gannon said.

"We have a tremendous amount of talent and depth which distinguishes us from other NESCAC teams," Gannon said. "Every player on the squad is skilled and contributes something unique."

Gannon is looking ahead to the postseason. "I really think we have the determination, drive, and heart to be champions," she said, adding, "I can't wait to show what we're made of in the postseason."

# Women's XC finishes eighth

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Cross Country Team braved a sudden cold snap at the NESCAC Championships, taking eighth place out of 11 at Saturday's meet held at Wesleyan.

"Despite the cold weather and a long trip down to Connecticut, I think we ran a tough race. We weren't in top form on Saturday. We had sickness, asthma attacks and injuries to deal with, but we persevered and saw some great performances even with all that," junior co-captain Jamie Knight said.

Senior co-captain Jill Schweitzer echoed this sentiment. "Despite some serious setbacks, like bronchitis and asthma between our top two runners, the team pulled through and we had some great races on Saturday," Schweitzer said.

Junior Kristen Brownell led the Polar Bears to the finish, capturing 33rd overall with a personal best time of 19:26.

"Kristen Brownell showed a lot of poise and came through for us in a clutch situation. She has made outstanding improvement this season. She has become a very intelligent and determined racer. She does her best in the biggest races," coach Peter Slovenski said.

Brownell was closely followed by Courtney Martin '09, who raced through illness, crossing the line just seven seconds later in 38th place.

Sophomore Courtney Eustace overcame a mid-race asthma attack to finish 55th with a time of 19:53. Laura Onderko '08 trailed Eustace by one second for a 56th place finish.

Alex Knapp '07, running fifth for Bowdoin, sprinted to the finish in 20:03 for 64th, finishing just 37 seconds



Courtesy of Mike Lonsdale

Alex Knapp '07 races past competitors in the NESCAC Championship meet.

after Brownell. Amy Ahearn '08 and Jamie Knight '07 rounded out Bowdoin's top seven, taking 72nd and 83rd, respectively.

Leading Bowdoin's final charge to the finish was sophomore Sarah Podmaniczky in 95th, followed by first-year Lindsey Schiekner for 102nd place.

Two runners later, Schweitzer crossed the finish line for the final

race of her college career with a season best time of 21:12.

"The team has this coming weekend off, and I think the extra rest will make up for illness and fatigue that showed itself at NESCACs," Schweitzer said, adding "I have a lot of faith in our top seven to move up in Division IIIs. They'll be ready to peak and I look forward to watching a great race."

# Sox plagued by uncertainties

by Joel Samen  
CONTRIBUTOR

Two weeks ago, the Red Sox's work this off-season created the illusion of a team capable of dominating the next season, with the foundation to be a competitive team for years to come.

That all changed after the World Series. Following game four of the ALDS, Manny Ramirez demanded another trade, David Wells has requested to be traded to a West coast team, and Theo Epstein has stepped down as General Manager. Things appear rough for the Sox at the outset of the off-season.

Ramirez's demand is nothing new. In fact, this is the third time during his time in Boston that the left fielder has requested to be moved to another team. But the kicker this time is his representative's threat that "[Ramirez] will not report to spring training if his wish to be dealt is not met," according to the Boston Globe's Chris Snow.

The Red Sox could not give Ramirez away simply because he is unhappy with constant harassment from fans asking for autographs and reporters looking for quotes.

The gifted hitter came to Boston knowing that the spotlight would be on him. That is the cost of business when someone gets paid over \$20 million to play a game. He cannot be allowed to hold the front office hostage because he is mentally worn down from the pressure. He is a "10-5 guy" (ten years in the majors, five

years with the same team), which means that he can veto any trade. So if the Sox do find a deal that is reasonable, Ramirez can still reject the trade if he does not want to go to that team.

Ramirez has stated that he would like to go to the Indians or Angels. Those teams have an upper edge in negotiations with the Red Sox, since they do not need to make the trade as badly as Boston.

The Sox now have two options. They can take the best deal that they can get from Cleveland or Anaheim, or pray that Ramirez once again falls in love with Boston and comes back to spring training as the happy, hitting machine Red Sox fans love. The situation may be difficult, but with Ramirez's frequent trade requests, it should not be surprising.

The chaos that erupted in the front office was shocking. On the eve of the expiration of Epstein's contract, the Red Sox thought there was a deal with Epstein. However, at the press conference that evening Epstein formally stepped down from the position and declined the new contract.

"I gave my entire heart and soul to the organization," Epstein said, according to a release from ESPN.com. He continued, "During the process leading up to today's decision, I came to the conclusion that I can no longer do so." The reason for Epstein's resignation and his future plans are still unknown, but it looks as though the off-season just got much more complicated.

Now the team enters the wilderness of free agency and trade possibilities without a navigator. Efforts to deal with players on the market will be delayed while the team looks for a new negotiator.

With possible gaps in the team's bullpen, at first, second, third, and in center field, there is a lot of work to be done and many deals to be brokered.

The future is not entirely bleak for the Red Sox. During his tenure in Boston, Epstein managed to fully reload the team's farm system with prospects that could be ready for the big leagues within the next few years.

Pitchers Jon Papelbon, Jon Lester, and Anibal Sanchez could enter the rotation in the very near future with Manny Delcarmen and Craig Hansen fulfilling bright futures in the bullpen. Shortstop Hanley Ramirez and Dustin Pedroia could help out the major league team as soon as next year.

The combination of these young players and established veteran leaders like Jason Varitek and Tim Lincecum could lead to a very strong team for years to come.

It's important to remember in these times of transition that the team still has a lot going for it. There is a strong core of hardworking ballplayers with a bunch of young guns waiting in the wings to make their contribution. Even in the deepest cold of winter, the promise of a new season can help keep the warmth of summer alive.

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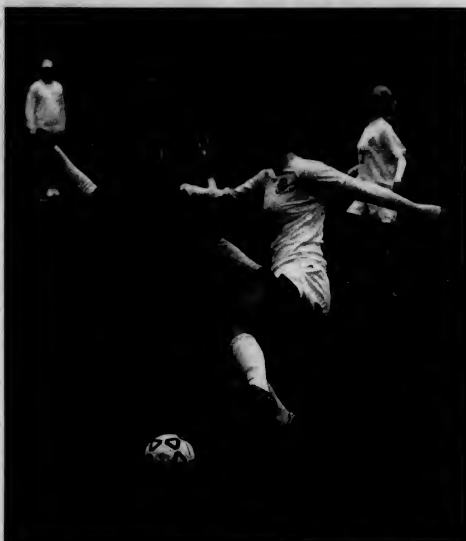
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# Women's soccer hands Middlebury loss in quarterfinals



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Sophomore Ann Zeigler fights for the ball in Saturday's match against Wesleyan. The women's soccer team will face Bates in the semifinals.

by Vanessa Kitchen

STAFF WRITER

The Polar Bears knocked Middlebury College out of the NESCAC playoffs with a 5-1 win in the quarterfinals.

Bowdoin finished the regular season with a 5-0 shutout in a home match against Wesleyan on Saturday. The women's soccer team played hard and fast in Sunday's game, starting the game off with a goal from Kat Whitley '08 in the first minute.

The Polar Bears got three more goals in the first half from Ann Zeigler '08, Elizabeth Battin '09, and Alison Chase '09. The Polar Bears had a 4-0 lead at the end of the first half.

Middlebury rallied with a goal from Erin Pittinger, but the effort was too late. Claire Cutting '08 retaliated with a fifth goal for the Polar Bears, closing out with a 5-1 win. Co-captain goalie Anna Shapell '06 had a stellar

performance turning away nine shots and letting in only one goal.

"With the drive that we've had during the past couple weeks of practice and our performance this past weekend, I think we can go all the way in the NESCAC tournament. We have a lot of motivation driving us—the chance to revenge our previous loss, and to make the NCAA tournament," Shapell said after the Middlebury game.

The team will look to avenge its regular season loss to fifth-place Bates in this weekend's semifinal match at Tufts.

"We are very excited about the game and are hoping to keep the momentum that we gained last weekend to push us through to the finals. Although it will be a challenging game, I think we're all pretty confident that our level of play is at the best it has been all season," co-captain Kerri Brennan '06 said.

Amanda Geiger never saw the drunk driver.

Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk.



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## FIELD HOCKEY

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
BOWDOIN	9	0	14	0
Middlebury	8	1	13	2
Williams	7	2	12	3
Wesleyan	5	4	11	4
Tufts	5	4	8	7
Connecticut Col.	4	5	8	7
Bates	3	8	7	8
Amherst	2	7	5	9
Trinity	1	8	5	9
Colby	1	8	5	8

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 10/29 v. Wesleyan W 7-1

### SCHEDULE

Sa 11/5 v. Wesleyan 11:00 A.M.  
NESCAC Semifinal  
S 11/6 NESCAC Finals 12:00 P.M.  
(Winner of Bowdoin  
and Wesleyan plays winner of  
Williams and Middlebury at  
Bowdoin)

## WOMEN'S RUGBY

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 10/29 at Southern Conn. W 27-5  
(NERFU First Round)

### SCHEDULE

Sa 11/5 v. Northeastern at Plymouth 2:00 P.M.

## MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 10/29 NESCAC Meet at Wesleyan 4th of 11

## WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 10/29 NESCAC Meet at Wesleyan 8th of 11

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

	NESCAC			Overall		
School	W	L	T	W	L	T
Tufts	6	2	1	11	2	1
Amherst	8	2	1	8	3	3
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	6	3	0	10	4	1
Williams	5	3	1	9	5	1
Bates	5	3	1	11	3	1
Middlebury	4	3	2	7	6	2
Colby	3	2	4	7	2	5
Conn. Col.	2	7	0	5	8	1
Wesleyan	1	6	2	3	8	2
Trinity	1	8	0	3	10	1

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 10/29 v. Wesleyan W 5-0  
S 10/30 v. Middlebury W 5-1  
(NESCAC First-Round)

### SCHEDULE

Sa 11/05 v. Bates at Tufts 1:30 P.M.

## FOOTBALL

School	NESCAC		Stats	
	W	L	PF	PA
Trinity	6	0	183	9
Amherst	5	1	158	34
BOWDOIN	5	1	107	82
Colby	5	1	150	95
Williams	4	2	155	121
Tufts	2	4	77	104
Bates	1	5	68	183
Hamilton	1	5	68	218
Middlebury	1	5	87	117
Wesleyan	0	8	78	170

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 10/29 v. Wesleyan W 35-10

### SCHEDULE

Sa 11/5 at Bates 12:30 P.M.

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.

Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC, New England Rugby Football Union.

# Men's soccer team loses to Wesleyan in the quarterfinal

by Joe Berte  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin men's soccer season is not over just yet. The team is anxiously waiting to find out whether or not it will get a spot in the NCAA tournament. For a team that has dealt with a multitude of changes, the 2005 season was a continuation of the Bears' usual success on the pitch.

This weekend wrapped up a season in which the Polar Bears proudly finished with an 11-3-1 record. Players credit new coach Fran O'Leary with bringing the team together.

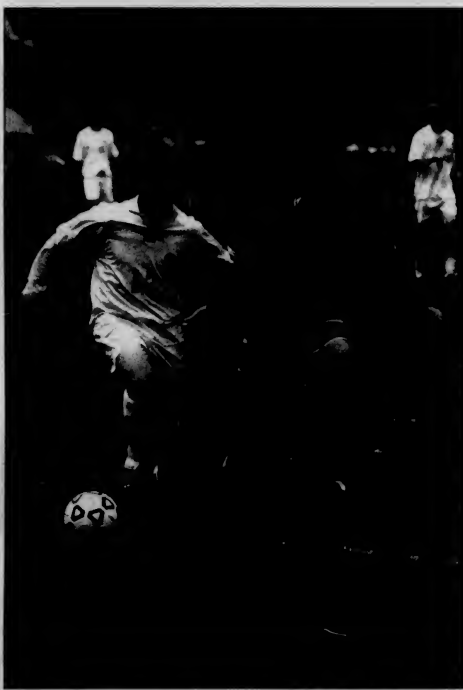
"Coach O'Leary wasn't willing to just sit on the fact that we were talented, he created team chemistry that helped us a great deal," sophomore forward Nick Figueiredo said.

Whether it was the team's newly developed maturity, a different coach, or a new style of play, the team's performance made Bowdoin proud. "We turned what was supposed to be a mediocre season into a respectable one," Figueiredo added.

On October 30, the men's squad played a first-round NESCAC play-off game against Wesleyan. After beating the Cardinals 1-0 just a day before in the last contest of the regular season, Bowdoin was stunned by a 4-1 loss in Sunday's quarterfinal.

In the first half, the Cardinals jumped to a 2-0 lead after a bad break for the Polar Bears. A diving attempt by goalkeeper Nathan Lovitz '08 could not stop a ball that deflected off a Bowdoin defender. Lovitz faced an uphill battle, being battered with shots the entire game.

The Bears could not get their offense going. It proved to be a long afternoon for Bowdoin, with its lone



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Sophomore Matt Howard dribbles the ball away from a Wesleyan player in Sunday's game. Wesleyan stunned the Polar Bears in a 4-1 defeat. The team is waiting to find out if it will get an at-large bid into the NCAA tournament.

goal coming from sophomore Wolf Grueber near the end of the match.

Whether or not Bowdoin gets an at-

large bid into the NCAA tournament, the team's performance this season will still be remembered as a success.

# Rugby wins first-round playoff



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The women's rugby team defeated Southern Connecticut State University, 8-5.

by Clara Cantor  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Rugby Team defeated Southern Connecticut State University, 8-5, in a first-round playoff match on the road last Saturday.

The win moves the Polar Bears into the New England Rugby Football Union Final Four this weekend at Plymouth State College in New Hampshire.

Sophomore Vanessa Vidal scored the only try for the Polar Bears in the first few minutes of the game against the Owls.

In an extremely nerve-wracking first half, the Owls fought back hard, keeping Bowdoin in the backfield with several goal-line stands before finally pushing through with a try of their own.

The match was tied 5-5 coming into the second half, during which the Bears showed considerable improvement in offensive aggression.

Sophomore fly-half Sara Utschneider kicked the game-winning penalty kick midway through the second half, upping the score to 8-5.

The Bowdoin ruggers had powerful defensive plays, as well as a forward pack that held the opposing scrums remarkably well.

Strong play by senior Kelly Orr and Margaret Griffith '07 secured the game with help in the forward pack from sophomore Miriam Sopin-Vilme. It was her first A-side game since returning from an ankle injury.

In the second game, Bowdoin B-side players were pitted against many of the A-side Southern Connecticut State players. The B-side ruggers lost the match, 19-0.

Senior Julia Bach led the back line with several powerful runs. After the game, she said, "The whole team played amazingly well. We'd also like to thank all the parents that spent Parents Weekend driving down to watch us play."

Griffith agreed, saying "The pitch was hard and a little too sandy for my liking, but we tromped those Owls like nobody's business. We brought a feather back for Bob [absent assistant coach Mathews]."

Bowdoin will challenge Northeastern this Saturday at Plymouth State College in the semifinal round of the NERFU Final Four tournament.

If Polar Bears defeat Northeastern, they will challenge the winner of the Bates vs. Plymouth State match on Sunday for the championship.

# Critics underrate Celtics

by Eren Munir  
CONTRIBUTOR

Maybe it was the dismal way the Celtics ended their playoff run last year. Maybe it is because New England is so well endowed in the arena of professional sports that the average Bostonian has little time for a bunch of losers.

One can imagine many different reasons for the decline in basketball's popularity in Boston over the last decade. There was a time when getting a ticket to a Celtics' game involved giving up a left leg or a right arm. Those days have gone.

The new TD Banknorth Garden cannot depend on Larry Bird or Red Auerbach to put people in the stands.

The Celtics need to rely on a group of young, talented kids and a whole lot of optimism to start attracting attention like they used to.

Basketball experts throughout the league agree that this will not be the year the Celts make a turn around. They point to the incredibly young nucleus of players (the average age of the Celtics is 24.75 years) and to the mental immaturity of the team's veterans when asked to explain why the Celtics will miss out on the playoffs this year.

These same critics have predicted a mid-season trade involving Paul Pierce. For the critics, this is the year that Pierce bolts and takes all of the team's credibility with him. If, in fact, this does occur the Celtics will not go anywhere, but if the team does manage to hold onto him, they might just find a way to succeed.

In reality, such a trade would be extremely difficult to negotiate because it would be almost impossible to get equal value for one of the game's premier superstars. When one combines this with the news that Pierce has just bought a home in the New England region for an estimated \$2.5 million, it becomes clear that he will be in town for an extended stay.

Both Doc Rivers and Danny Ainge were overwhelmed by Pierce's performance in the preseason.

According to Ainge, "Paul has embraced the role of mentor with these guys," which could be vital to the Celtics' fortunes this year. The fact that training camp was a resounding success should contribute to this enthusiasm. The Celtics didn't outperform anyone in their preseason games, but they did emerge with a clear identity. All the young guys (especially Al Jefferson, Delonte West, and Orin Greene) seem ready to make meaningful contributions to the team.

Many people within the Celtics' organization maintain that these three have been consistently underrated in all these early predictions. This may be why the team has been overlooked when searching for the next possible Atlantic Conference champion.

All conversations about the Atlantic Conference seem to start and end with the Nets. One or two people might add the Knicks to the equation, but when it comes to the Celtics, the defending champions of the conference, there is only pessimism and disbelief.

These experts seem to be ignoring the fact that Pierce is still one of the best weapons in the NBA. If he can be supported by Ricky Davis and his young second unit, there will be no ceiling on this team's potential.

# Field hockey will face Wesleyan in semifinals

FIELD HOCKEY, from page 1

even sweeter. It proved to us as a team that this season was something special. We all had a new unspoken trust and confidence in each other and our abilities. We knew that we had the potential to go as far as we want, and that's been one of the most important components to the success we've had this season," she said.

Much of team's success can be attributed to its cohesive playing style. "This team is so successful because every time we step onto

the turf it is a team effort. We don't have one breakout leading scorer or one amazing defender. We work as one collective unit," junior Susan Morris said.



The Polar Bears' strong teamwork was especially visible against Wesleyan. Bowdoin put pressure on the team early in the first half and never let up. This weekend marks the beginning of the post-season for the team.

The Polar Bears will face Wesleyan again to fight for a spot in the final round of the NESCAC tournament.



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Hillary Hoffman '08 chases the ball in Saturday's victory over Wesleyan.

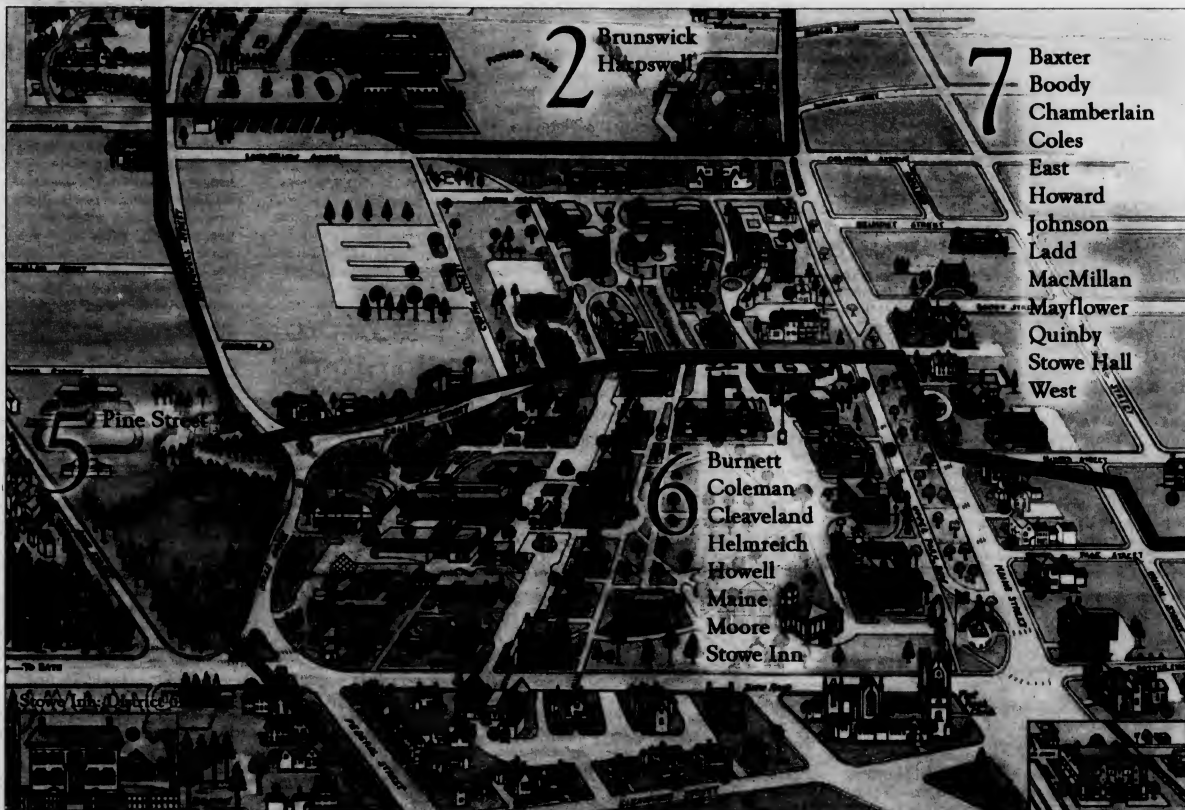



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# BOWDOIN VOTES 2005

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### VOTING DISTRICTS BY RESIDENCE HALL



### STATE-WIDE BALLOT QUESTIONS

#### Question 1: People's Vote

"Do you want to reject the new law that would protect people from discrimination in employment, housing, education, public accommodations and credit based on their sexual orientation?"

#### Question 2: Bond Issue

"Do you favor a \$33,100,000 bond issue for improvements to highways and bridges; airports; public transit improvements; state-owned ferry vessels and ferry and port facilities including port and harbor structures; and statewide bicycle trail and pedestrian improvements that makes the State eligible for over \$158,000,000 in matching funds?"

#### Question 3: Bond Issue

"Do you favor an \$8,900,000 bond issue for purposes related to agriculture and the environment in anticipation of approximately \$31,000,000 in federal funds to be used for sustainable water sources and irrigation system development, loans from a wastewater state revolving fund, grants from a small community grants program, support of public water system improvements and repairs and improvements to a veterinary technician facility at the University of Maine?"

#### Question 4: Bond Issue

"Do you favor a \$20,000,000 bond issue to stimulate economic growth and job creation through investments in the Maine economy in anticipation of approximately \$44,000,000 in federal and private funds for medical research and development; marine research and development; equity investments in small Maine companies with potential for high growth; the New

Century Community Program for capital improvements to cultural resources; the renovation of Camden Hall on the University of Maine Bangor campus for a graduate school for biomedical science; the development of the Laboratory for Surface Science Technology; capital costs and equipment for the career center facility at the University of Southern Maine's Lewiston-Auburn College; and the development of the Sunrise Business and Career Center in the Town of Jonesboro?"

#### Question 5: Bond Issue

"Do you favor a \$12,000,000 bond issue to purchase land and conservation easements statewide from willing sellers for conservation, water access, wildlife and fish habitat, outdoor recreation, including hunting and fishing, farmland preservation and working waterfront preservation to be matched by at least \$7,000,000 in private and public contributions?"

#### Question 6: Bond Issue

"Do you favor a \$9,000,000 bond issue to make building renovations at campuses of the University of Maine System, improve and expand the facilities of the Other Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Southern Maine and make building renovations at campuses of the Maine Community College System?"

#### Question 7: Constitutional Amendment

"Do you favor amending the Constitution of Maine to permit the Legislature to authorize waterfront land used for commercial fishing activities to be assessed based on the land's current use in a manner similar to treatment now available for farms, open space and forestland?"

### VOTING RULES AND YOUR RIGHTS

#### Election Day

Election Day is this Tuesday, November 8.

#### Hours

Brunswick polls are open from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Under Maine law, if you are in line to vote by 8 p.m., you must be allowed to cast a ballot.

#### Districts

Note that moving from Coleman Hall to Coles Tower is enough to switch your voting district. If you registered last year and now vote in a new district, go to the registrar's table at your polling place on Election Day to correct your residency information.

#### Registration

In Maine, citizens may register to vote on Election Day.

#### Residency

You may want to bring a document that proves your Maine residency, such as the Bowdoin Directory or a utility bill, and another form of identification. Under the law, poll workers may request materials to prove your identification and residency.

#### You Cannot Be Turned Away

Maine law specifies that you cannot be turned away from the polls. If your residency or identification is in question, you must be allowed to cast a challenged ballot. Further inquiry into identification and residency will be made after the election.

#### The Ballot

Some questions are on the reverse side of the ballot. You may choose not to vote for questions or office. If you do not want to vote for a question or office, simply leave those circles blank.

#### The Proposals

A "Yes" vote on Question 1 is a vote to overturn the anti-discrimination law in question. "Yes" votes on Questions 2 through 7 are votes to approve bonds or accept constitutional amendments.

#### Contact Information

Log on to [brunswickme.org/clk](http://brunswickme.org/clk) for sample ballots or call the Town Clerk at 725-6658. Voters who have problems on Election Day can contact the Maine Secretary of State at (207) 624-7650.

### RIDE OR RUN TO THE POLLS

Vans will depart from Moulton Union on Tuesday to bring students to the polls. Running and biking trips are also available. More information is available at the Smith Union Info Desk.

### POLLING PLACES

To find out where to vote, match your district on the map above with a district number below.

- 1** Perryman Village Community Center. On Perryman Drive at Cook's Corner.
- 2** Coffin School. Located at 20 Barrows Street. Follow Columbia Avenue through two intersections.
- 3** Brunswick High School. Located at 116 Maquoit Road. Follow Maine Street away from the downtown and stay to the right.
- 4** Municipal Meeting Facility. Located at 44 McKen Street, in the old Brunswick High School building.
- 5** Pejepscot Terrace Community Center. Located at Pejepscot Terrace. Turn off of Federal Street onto Jordan Avenue to reach Pejepscot Terrace.
- 6** Superintendent of Schools Offices. Located on the corner of Cumberland and Union Streets.
- 7** Coffin School. Located at 20 Barrows Street. Follow Columbia Avenue through two intersections.



## THE BOWDOIN ORIENT

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### 'No' on 1 for equal opportunities

Maine citizens—including hundreds of voters from this campus—will go to the polls Tuesday to vote on Question 1, a proposal that would repeal Maine's law protecting individuals against discrimination on the basis of their sexual orientation.

Maine's decision on November 8 will send a message to individuals throughout the state. We hope that Maine will choose to say that it is okay to thrive as who you are.

A vote in favor of this referendum would go against the American ideal of equality. Our society is strongest when we approach our ideals. At Bowdoin, and public and private institutions throughout Maine, we have already seen how a community edges closer to this ideal when it chooses to expand its definition of equality—and not limit it.

It may be easy to forget the difficulty some of our fellow students face, and fall into the trap of believing the scare tactics used by the proponents of Question 1.

Many such arguments surrounding Question 1 have been thoroughly discussed in these pages in recent weeks. However, it is important to stay focused on the referendum question itself. The choice we will make on Tuesday is not about maximizing profits; in fact, corporations from coast to coast have made the choice to adopt these policies. It is certainly not about gay marriage. A "Yes" vote for Question 1 is about revoking a law that provides equal protection for Maine's citizens. It would be a step backward from the way life in Maine should be.

Society is best off when it strives for equality of opportunity. Opposing Question 1 tells Maine's citizens that while we cannot guarantee that you will succeed, we can guarantee that your sexual orientation will not be used to deny you that opportunity. We urge a "No" vote on Question 1.

### 'Yes' on 7 for fishing families

Question 1 has overshadowed another proposal on Tuesday's ballot that is also important for the people of Maine. If approved, Question 7 would help protect one of the most important elements of Maine's economy: our working waterfront.

Currently, waterfront property on Maine's coastlines is assessed using formulas for the land's "best" possible use. Question 7 would let the Legislature use *current* use formulas to determine the value of waterfront property used for commercial fishing operations. In recent years, waterfront property values have skyrocketed, with out-of-state citizens willing to pay exorbitant sums for pieces of Maine's coastline. As a result, fishermen are gradually being pushed away from Maine's shores. Less than 1 percent of Maine coastline is currently considered part of the working waterfront.

This proposal's protections are already in place for farmland and forestland. The amendment would not interfere with market-based competition, since it would not interfere with the retail prices of properties. Fishermen could still sell their property as they wish.

Like Question 1, this amendment is about people—people from familiar places like Bailey Island and Harpswell. If passed, the proposal will make life just a little easier for the hard-working men, women, and families who offer so much to our state's economy and character. Since this bill is good for Maine's working waterfront and good for Maine's economy, we urge a "Yes" vote on Question 7.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Questioning patriotism was a mistake

To the Editors:

I write to clarify my remarks to The Bowdoin Orient last week regarding Alex Cornell du Houx's decision to support the war on terror by serving in Iraq. Having served in leadership positions in the Republican Party at the college, state, and national level, I have learned that politics, especially campus politics, can become extremely personal. In my attempt to deal a blow to a political opponent, I made the mistake of questioning his patriotism and motivation for choosing to fight in Iraq.

While I strongly disagree with Alex in terms of his political beliefs and his demeanor toward those who disagree with him, it was inappropriate of me to question his patriotism and motivation for joining our armed forces.

As I stated before, I have nothing but the highest degree of respect for any soldier who is brave enough to take up arms in defense of his or her country. This respect is offered regardless of a soldier's political beliefs. I sincerely apologize to those who were offended by my remarks.

Sincerely,

Dan Schubert '06

### Students' work on campaign is appreciated

To the Editors:

I want to express my thanks and admiration to all those students who have been working on the Maine Won't Discriminate campaign. Their energy, enthusiasm, and dedication will be the decisive factor in turning out voters within the Bowdoin community, the town of Brunswick, and throughout the state to defeat Question 1. Similarly, I would encourage every student to go to the polls on November 8 and make sure your voice is heard on this issue. As Martin Luther King once wrote, "injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." Discrimination against gays and lesbians has no place in Maine and should have no place in our nation.

Sincerely,

Newell Augur  
Candidate  
Brunswick Town Council  
District 7

### Personalizing politics thwarts healthy debate

To the Editors:

Re: "Schubert questions Cornell du Houx's motives," 10/28/05. This most recent instance of political pre-pubescent should be seen as a natural culmination in a campus political culture dominated by personalities instead of ideas.

The fact that both Schubert and Cornell du Houx have, in the past three years, chosen to launch their own personal political careers by seizing control of campus politics have constantly made us—present students as well as recent alumni such as ourselves—losers in their fights.

For several years now, including the

critical period surrounding the 2004 election, Bowdoin students have seen opportunities for healthy political discussion and debate take a backseat to the recycled party politics of Schubert and Cornell du Houx. It is a shame that this latest exchange, initiated by Schubert, took place against the weighty backdrop of Cornell du Houx's upcoming deployment.

It is doubly shameful that Schubert's decision to personalize his comments detracts from an otherwise legitimate question, certainly worthy of discussion at an institution purportedly committed to the bold exploration of ideas: is the unconditional praise of "service" ultimately reconcilable with a simultaneous rejection of the premises and aims of that same service?

Sincerely,

Adam Baber '05  
Brian Dunn '05  
Buffalo, New York  
Former Editors-in-Chief  
The Bowdoin Orient (2004-05)

### Class of '76 had strong students, too

To the Editors:

I was somewhat taken back by a few of the comments made by Mr. Watterson on the subject of grade inflation at Bowdoin in the 10/28/2005 Orient edition ("Grade inflation a Bowdoin reality").

Perhaps he should provide a more detailed explanation of why "students are better prepared and smarter than those who were here in '76."

I assume he has some statistical evidence or first-hand knowledge in order to make that kind of assertion. Also, what exactly is he talking about when he says Mr. Steele has done "an amazing job of improving Bowdoin's image?" In my mind, and I am sure in the minds of many other Bowdoin alumni, Bowdoin has always had an outstanding image and reputation.

In no way do I discount the capabilities of Bowdoin students today, as I am sure they are all very capable, or they wouldn't be at Bowdoin. But it is, in my view, totally irresponsible to say a Bowdoin student in 1976 was less prepared and not as smart as a Bowdoin student today!

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Aceto '77  
Bath, Maine

### Econ prof's response was out of place

To the Editors:

I write in response to Professor David Vail's attempt to attack my arguments regarding Question 1. The professor, however, never touched the "meat" of what I was saying and instead insisted on petty name calling.

I personally would enjoy a substantive debate on the issues rather than being dubbed as "ignorant," a "stalwart," a "zealot," or having my family's background brought into the argument as Professor Vail did. Those types of personal attacks have no place in an academic setting, especially coming from a professor of the College. I would hope that in the future an economics professor would respond to the economic portion of my argument.

Additionally, if the professor wants to see the dominance of liberty over equality in our society, he simply needs to read The Federalist Papers.

Sincerely,

Alex Linhart '06

### Remarks were misunderstood by the Orient

To the Editors:

Adam Kommel misunderstood my remarks on Dr. Roach's proposal to raise gasoline taxes. ("Oil debate heated," October 28, 2005).

I jokingly said that if Dr. Roach were running the world, then increases in gasoline taxes might be offset by cuts in income taxes, but in the real world, raising gasoline taxes would just add to the existing tax burden. That was my objection to the proposal's "practicality," not that Congress lacks the courage to raise taxes. More importantly, on the "theoretical" side, I objected to Dr. Roach's premise that it is possible to price the external effects of gasoline usage and, thus, to set rational eco-taxes.

Sincerely,

Marlo Lewis  
Washington, D.C.

### Free market resolves prejudice in hiring

#### Hands Off Liberty

by Evan McLaren  
COLUMNIST

Before the movement on behalf of "civil rights" began last century, "discriminate" meant nothing more than to make a clear distinction. Since then, the word has developed a new connotation that has all but eliminated the old; it now refers to distinction-making on the basis of class or category without regard to personal merit. Nowadays, those who speak broadly

of "discrimination" are normally referring only to discrimination against those who belong to the Left's victimological pantheon, including blacks, women, Hispanics, American Indians, immigrants, homosexuals, and the disabled.

With this new word in its arsenal, the Left has backed its opposition into an uncomfortable corner. By championing the "rights" of groups who seem to face unconquerable disadvantages, the Left cultivates a guise of inherent moral superiority that it uses to command the political debate and browbeat opponents. Thus, liberals

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# Getting your foot in the door

## Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

You've done everything right. You've made the initial contact, and your crush is interested and intrigued, but not afraid that you will show up outside his window at 3 a.m. with tear-streaked cheeks and an oversized stereo above your head blasting "In Your Eyes." The two of you connected on such a deep level that neither of you even bothered to finish those PBRs you waited 20 minutes in line for. You wandered back hand in hand to whoever's room was roommate-free that weekend and spent a magical early morning together, eventually discovering your mutual love of "Arrested Development" and the Rose Bagonia at Scarlet B's. Maybe you got to him, maybe you hit a home run; regardless of how many bases you rounded, you're pretty sure you hit a hook-up grand slam. This person is great, and you're attracted to him or her on all levels. But now what? How do you get your foot in the door and secure another date, or another hook-up, or anything that will take you one step closer to an honest-to-goodness relationship?

Many of my friends have successfully pulled off the Screen Name Drop-Off. This maneuver is usually feasible because at some point in your evening with your newfound soulmate, a computer will most likely come into play. You can pretty much bank on it—whether she's putting together a playlist full of songs directly off the as-seen-on-TV album "The

Down Low," or the only available DVD player on which to watch the "Family Guy" movie is the one built-in to his computer. All you need to do is find 30 seconds when the object of your affection isn't looking and click that buddy list set-up button. Add your online moniker, click "save," and return to the amazing scene in which Stewie and Brain get drunk and crash their car through the wall of the Drunken Clam.

Of course, my caution here would be against putting up an awkward away message the next day along the lines of, "At brunch with my girls, but still dreaming of last night with you-know-who!" or some lame song quote involving any lyrics from John Mayer or Boyz II Men. Either he will be more than a little freaked out when he checks this new mystery buddy's away message, or all your friends who see it will throw up—and it will have nothing to do with their hangovers.

Another solid, computer-related move would be the next-day email. If you choose to go this route, make sure you keep it breezy. Let him or her know how much fun you had the previous night, and that you'd love to see him again, if only to return his XXL Deerfield Lacrosse sweatshirt and size 12 flip-flops. As always, I have a brief word of caution regarding this method as well: Beware of writing this email in a state of mind that is anything other than stone-cold sober. You would not believe the things that will flow out of your fingertips after you've done a keg stand or two,

and nothing makes your stomach drop faster than opening up your "Sent" folder on a Sunday morning, only to find an email to your crush in the "Sent To" column and a subject line that reads simply "drunken email."

If you're interested in something a bit more personal, might I suggest the Complex Network method? This technique involves a bit more people skills and a lot more finely tuned stalking skills than the two previous schemes I've

*This person is great,  
and you are attracted  
to him or her on all  
levels. But now what?*

mentioned. The Complex Network is comprised of every single person that both you and your crush know: mutual friends, friends' boyfriends or girlfriends, roommates, his or her teammates, friends of his or her teammates, and even professors if you're feeling extra ballsy. It is your job to talk to every single one of these people to find out as many useful details about your crush as possible. At which off-campus house does your crush like to party? Does she frequent Joshua's or Sea Dogs? Does he eat in Moulton or Thorne? Which window does she sleep nearest to, in case you might need to stand outside of it with a boom box and your favorite Peter Gabriel tape? These are facts that are on a must-know basis if you are going to lay any sort of legitimate groundwork or score an invitation to a party to which your crush may or may not show up.

Regardless of which method you choose, the fact remains that the most important part of a hook-up is how you handle yourself afterwards. Remember, keep it breezy and keep it light.

## Laws do not prevent discrimination

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have sainted themselves and remade American history into a political drama about an enlightened few valiantly resisting bigots, religious right-wing nuts, and other backward types, all in order to fulfill the promise of the Constitution and bring justice to a beleaguered people.

Even the Bowdoin Republicans took the bait. In inviting Michael Heath to campus, they were caught contemplating the argument for Bible-based bigotry. In the atmosphere nourished by that event, Alex Linhart's recent editorial plea on behalf of free enterprise hasn't a chance of being heard. Indeed, what could be said against the "No on 1" activist onslaught?

We could begin by correcting the Left's legalistic view of our founding philosophy. As any worthy historian knows, the American Revolution was fueled by a radical libertarian vision of inviolable right to life, liberty, and property. For more than 50 years before 1775, the philosophy of John Locke and the inflammatory editorials of John Trenchard and Thomas Gordon nurtured the colonists' already individualistic outlook. Beginning in the 17th century, they had resisted every single authoritarian encroachment on what they proudly viewed as their inherent rights. Many of the founders were afraid that even

*Anti-discrimination laws merely create their own trends of discrimination based on the whims of the majority.*

the Constitution made for a dangerously centralized government and signing it did not change their belief that government is derived from the people and not the other way around.

Since they meant

to guarantee liberty for all men, they would have rejected the basic motivation for modern "civil rights" legislation. For if we must specifically identify each group that is entitled to basic rights and legislate to secure them, we are admitting that our rights are not inalienable but must be won again and again in the political machinery of successive votes and referendums. Hence, we are cultivating the notion that everyone's rights belong first to the government rather than to individuals themselves.

Further, current Leftist rhetoric obscures the fact that anti-discrimination laws constitute a massive assault on private property, something that would have made the revolutionaries grab their guns and head for the

woods. For in order to bend businesses to its will and force them to comply with current anti-discrimination laws, the government seizes employees in confiscating several hundred million dollars each year in lawsuits. In addition to the harm inflicted in lawsuits, employers spend enormous amounts of money to remain constantly prepared and reduce the likelihood that complaints will be filed. They spend precious resources in actually litigating each complaint, or if they're lucky, in settling out of court. They sacrifice efficiency in hiring individuals only because they belong to a particular marginalized group. For businesses treading on the margin, these costs can mean the difference between profit and bankruptcy.

If forced to acknowledge this argument, the "No on 1" activists would argue that such measures are necessary and justified. The government must intervene so that race, sex, and gender-bias may be eradicated from society.

Yet government intervention does not accomplish this goal. Anti-discrimination laws merely create their own trends of discrimination based on the whims of the majority.

Instances of employers forced to hire individuals only because they happen to belong to a favored marginalized group are well-known. This in itself should embarrass the pride

the Left feels in its agitation for justice and equity in hiring practices.

In contrast to the economic damage and rampant rights-abuse that are inherent in civil rights legislation, the free market tends to

resolve unfair hiring practices peacefully. By hiring on the basis of race, color, creed, or sexual orientation, businessmen undermine their productivity and risk angering customers, thus endangering their profits. As the economist Murray Rothbard wrote, "on the free market, everyone earns according to his productive value in satisfying consumer desires." In this economic fact lies our only realistic security against unfair discrimination.

The prevailing rhetoric can't hide the reality that ballot-measured and minutely-legislated rights are no rights at all, and that anti-discrimination laws constitute an intolerable assault on our property and our freedom to associate with whom we please.

# Struggle for equality is ongoing

by Frank Chi  
CONTRIBUTOR

Two weeks ago, Alex Linhart's "Freedom to hire" op-ed asked us to examine America as a country and a concept that valued "liberty over equality." Perhaps in some convoluted way, Mr. Linhart is right. Equality has never been a mainstay in the American ideal. Instead, it's something we've had to fight for. Whether it was shedding blood on Civil War battlefields or refusing to give up a bus seat, equality has never come easily to those Americans who are different. America needed a perilous war to nullify the legal slander that defined African Americans as three fifths of a human being. America needed iron-willed women who petitioned the government and marched the streets so that they too could vote. America needed fearless youths who rode Greyhounds down South so that segregation could be struck from unjust laws.

For generations, voices of change have never questioned "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Instead, the fight has always been about whether Americans who are not white, privileged, heterosexual men can enjoy the potential of such American ideals. America's fight for equality has always asked whether minority Americans can even achieve liberty without equality. Those Americans who naturally enjoy this country's rights must recog-

nize that although their acceptance is given, mainstream America often times banishes those who are different, depriving them of the equality that is required to fulfill America's promise.

To America's minorities, equality has always been that coveted but too often intangible "silver bullet." Although legal strides have been made on racial grounds, gay Americans are still consistently and casually discriminated against within our culture and within our laws.

Question 1 isn't an argument about liberty; it's about fairness. It's about an American minority being legally discriminated against upon inherent traits they cannot change. It's about reactionary zealots who distort the Bible in order to deprive others from basic rights simply because different people make them uncomfortable. It's about taking the much-anticipated first steps to eradicate the injustice that is casually embraced by those who discriminate. Maine is the last state in New England to recognize that giving employers the right to fire employees because of sexual orientation is wrong. Voting "No" on Question 1 ensures that we won't send Maine backward and avoid the shame that history will cast upon those who choose discrimination over tolerance.

Though equality has seen its times of absence in America, it has been those Americans who choose

to fight for equality that define the struggle and its unique place in the American experience. Preserving Maine's anti-discrimination bill is about continuing the fight for equality—a fight that has continued so that the social fabric of America will expand rather than expel.

Etched in stone atop the pillars of the U.S. Supreme Court are the words "equal justice under law." Shouldn't that be for all of us? On Tuesday, vote "No" on Question 1.

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# The Weekly Calendar

## November 4-10

### Friday

#### Memorial Service

Come remember the life of Kathryn Scott '06 at a memorial service. Violinist Tim Kantor '07 and the dance group Obvious will perform at the service.

Bowdoin Chapel, 12:30 p.m.

#### B.A.D. Flicks

The Bowdoin Architects and Designers Club begins its November film series with *The Fountainhead*.

E.S. Common Room, Adams Hall, 5:30 p.m.

#### Film: Who Framed Roger Rabbit?

When cartoon protagonist Roger Rabbit is charged with murder, it is up to a toon-hating detective to prove his innocence. Come watch a thrilling movie that made cinematic history by combining live-action and animation.

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### South Indian Dancing

Aniruddha Knight and his accompanying vocal and instrumental ensemble will present a concert of "Music and Dance in the Family Style of T. Balasaraswati."

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

#### Merton of the Movies

See this comedy production about the "golden era" of the silent movie and the young actors who dream of making it big.

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 8-10 p.m.

### Saturday

#### Buses to Football at Bates

Two buses will take students to Bates for the Bates vs. Bowdoin football game. Next to Coleman Hall, 11:45 a.m.

#### Film: Who Framed Roger Rabbit?

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### Merton of the Movies

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 8-10 p.m.

#### Japanese Drumming

Three taiko drumming groups, including Hawaii's Kenny Endo Taiko Ensemble and Bowdoin's own Taiko group, will perform.

Morrell Lounge, Smith Union, 8 p.m.



The Portland Headlight stands on the edge of Cape Elizabeth.

Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

### Sunday

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### Psychology Lecture

Edward Erwin, an expert on Sigmund Freud and the philosophy of psychotherapy, gives a talk entitled, "The Role of Randomized Clinical Trials."

Room 016, Druckenmiller Hall, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Iraq and Katrina

Journalist Christian Parenti, who has reported on both Iraq and New Orleans, will speak about "Katrina and Iraq: Parallel Disasters and How to Respond."

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Our Bodies Ourselves

Judy Norsigian, author and director of *Our Bodies Ourselves*, speaks on "The Media and Women's Health: Sorting Fact from Fiction."

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

#### Science Lecture

Dr. John Gearhart, human stem-cell researcher from Johns Hopkins University, will give a lecture on types of stem cells, transplantation results, cloning, and ethical problems.

Room 151, Cleaveland Hall, 7:30 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Environmental Studies Forum

A forum on "Biosolids ('Sludge') and Compost Use: Understanding the Benefits and Risks" will be led by Alan Rubin, formerly of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Room 016, Druckenmiller Hall, 7 p.m.



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## Field hockey wins NESCAC in penalty strokes after 2 OTs



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Hillary Hoffman '08 takes a shot on a Williams goalie in Sunday's NESCAC championship at home.

by Burgess LePage  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Field Hockey Team beat Williams College 1-0 in overtime penalty strokes to preserve its undefeated record and win the NESCAC Championship on Sunday. The victory gave Bowdoin an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament, which begins this weekend.

A save by goalie Kate Leonard '07 and a goal from Madeleine McQueney '09 in the fourth round of penalty strokes clinched the game for Bowdoin.

On their way to the final round of

tournament play against Williams, the Polar Bears shut out Wesleyan University 2-0 on Saturday. Although Wesleyan gave Bowdoin a more difficult match in the semifinals than during the previous weekend's regular season game, two goals from sophomore Hillary Hoffman advanced the Polar Bears to the finals.

The championship game pitting Bowdoin against Williams closely mirrored the two teams' regular season match-up, which resulted in a Bowdoin win after two rounds of overtime and three rounds of penalty strokes. In the last minute of regular

play, Lindsay McNamara '09 had a strong assault on goal from inside the circle, but a save by the Williams keeper moved the two teams into overtime play.

Play remained extremely even in the two overtime periods with both teams making multiple attempts on

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## Student thwarts armed robbery

*Bowdoin Security and  
Brunswick Police  
hunt for suspect*

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

For Josh Cippel '08, doing laundry on a Thursday night has taken on a whole new meaning.

A man in a ski mask wielding a knife attempted to rob Cippel in the laundry room at a College-leased School Street apartment on Thursday, November 3. His muffled voice demanded, "Gimme all your money, kid."

Cippel was carrying no cash at the time.

The crime was foiled by what Cippel called a "completely instinctual response."

"All of a sudden," Cippel said, "I just wheeled around and clocked him on the side of the face" with a large bottle of Tide liquid laundry detergent.

The unidentified man, who at 6'1" wore a green plaid shirt and jeans, "was obviously not expecting a fight, so he just took off," according to Cippel. "I ran after him and he ran up the steps and took off into the [night]," Cippel added.

Brunswick Police and Bath Police responded after Cippel called 911.

A K-9 unit from Bath including a

dog named Keylo followed the attacker's tracks to the area of Whittier Field, but no farther.

The crime is under active investigation by the Brunswick Police Department with assistance from Bowdoin Security. At this time they have no specific leads and the suspect is still at large, according to Director of Safety and Security Randall T. Nichols (see related story, page 5).

However, due "to the nature of the crime and the [criminal's] method of operation, which was very specific, I think we've got a lot of...potential investigative leads that will be followed up," Nichols said.

"Realistically," Nichols added in a telephone interview, "I would say, the chances are quite good that something will break here with the case. I do feel that the suspect has to be quite local to the area and has probably been involved in crimes in the past...and are probably known to the police...I think it's just a matter of putting the pieces together."

However, that a suspect has yet to be identified is "a concern to us," Nichols added.

It is also a concern for Cippel. "I hope they find him," he said. "I'll be very interested to see if they do. But if not, I wouldn't be sur-

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## Voters turn down Question 1

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin students flocked to the polls earlier this week to vote on Question 1—an issue that has dominated Maine politics for the past month. The referendum, which would have repealed a law passed earlier in the year by the Maine Legislature prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation

or gender identity, failed in Tuesday's election (see election results, page 3).

Throughout the day, hundreds of students were transported in student-operated College vans to and from polling places. Many registered that day just to vote on what they deemed an important issue.

"This is my first time voting," said Jackie Li '09. "But it's a very important issue. It's really close. Every

vote does count."

The Bowdoin College Democrats have been campaigning for a "No" vote on Question 1 since the beginning of the academic year. College Democrats Co-President Frank Chi '07 said, "It's a moral issue, not letting discrimination be put back on the books."

In an effort to flush out all stu-

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## Football to close impressive season against Colby tomorrow at home



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Laurence Dugan '09 practices in the dark for tomorrow's contest against 6-1 Colby at Whittier Field. See related story, page 11.

## Scott '06 remembered at Chapel service for her 'beautiful spirit'

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

Members of the College community came together for an intimate, somber gathering at the chapel to celebrate and remember the life of Kathryn Scott '06 last Friday.

Scott, who had been on leave from Bowdoin since September, died after a New Hampshire car crash last month.

"We gather together this day, surrounded by the mysteries of life and death. We come because in the great tapestry of human life the threads of our lives have been woven together with Katie's," said Reverend Mary Baard, who officiated Saturday's service.

"In speaking with her friends, I gained an image of a young woman who was quietly passionate and had an artist's heart," Baard said. "Her soul knew both the highs and lows of life."

Carla Cambiaso Helfer '06

recalled her friend's humility, frankness, and sense of humor.

"We shared laughter, we shared tears, we shared advice," Helfer said. "It was a gift to make her laugh."

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# Students question safety of distant housing after burglary at knife-point



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The burglary occurred at the college-leased School Street apartment.

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prised. It's very easy to blend in [to the Brunswick community]."

Within the Bowdoin community, some have raised concerns about the safety of off-campus housing and the safety of the College as a whole. Some School Street residents are particularly concerned given that a crime, called "shocking and unexpected" by Jessica McGreehan '08, took place in their own laundry room.

The attempted robbery "has definitely made us feel less safe," said Perrin Wheeler '07, who lives in the College-leased housing on School Street. "We never used to lock our door—now we make sure it is

always locked," she added. "The day after the attack, two of my roommates actually went down into our basement armed with kitchen knives to make sure the trap door was locked!"

Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli shares students' concerns. On Tuesday, Pacelli went on a "walkabout at the School Street apartments and the Elm Street Apartments...with Randy Nichols and two folks from facilities...just to take a look at things and see what we can do to improve the security there."

"After Thursday night's incident," Pacelli added in a telephone interview, "we're definitely concerned and looking at the security situation at off-campus housing."

Lauren Withey '06, another School Street resident, feels that "The 'administration,' which means mostly ResLife and Security in this case, have been very supportive and helpful through this process. They've kept in close touch with us and have re-secured our apartment complex, installing new lights, fixing locks, etc."

"As for Josh," Withey added, "well, he's our hero."

Cippel has been pleased with the administration's response, in particular that of Nichols who he cited as "extremely professional."

Looking back on the attempted robbery, Cippel feels lucky that events turned out the way they did. The lesson from the incident, as he sees it, is that "the Bowdoin bubble is not all-protective—it's not impenetrable."

"Everyone keeps saying, 'It's Brunswick, Maine and this kind of thing just doesn't happen. And I think the take-away message [from the incident] is not 'be frightened, be petrified, don't leave your house; it's just 'be vigilant because these things do happen everywhere,'" Cippel said.

"As much as we would like to think that Bowdoin is this isolated community, it's as much a part of the real world as any other school," he added.

And in the real world there are dirty clothes that need to be cleaned.

"Planes crash, but I still fly," Cippel said. "People get in car accidents, but I still drive. And people creep up behind you in the laundry room with knives, but I still do laundry."



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The burglar entered the School Street apartment laundry room from this stairway and approached Josh Cippel '08 from behind with a knife.

## Life of senior Scott honored in intimate memorial service

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The gathering started with a welcome by Baard, which was followed by a violin piece performed by Timothy Kantor '07. In her address, Baard emphasized Scott's creative side, recalling her love of dancing, acting, and photography. She also mentioned how, "in recent months, she found herself in the grips of depression."

"I am grateful for all of you who reached out to Katie and offered her support in these days," Baard said. "And I grieve with you that in her case, this illness had such a powerful and destructive grip. Yet, I trust that nothing—not even death—can break the bonds of friendship and love."

Baard read a passage from the Bible and a fan excerpt from Madeline L'Engle's book, *A Wrinkle in Time*.

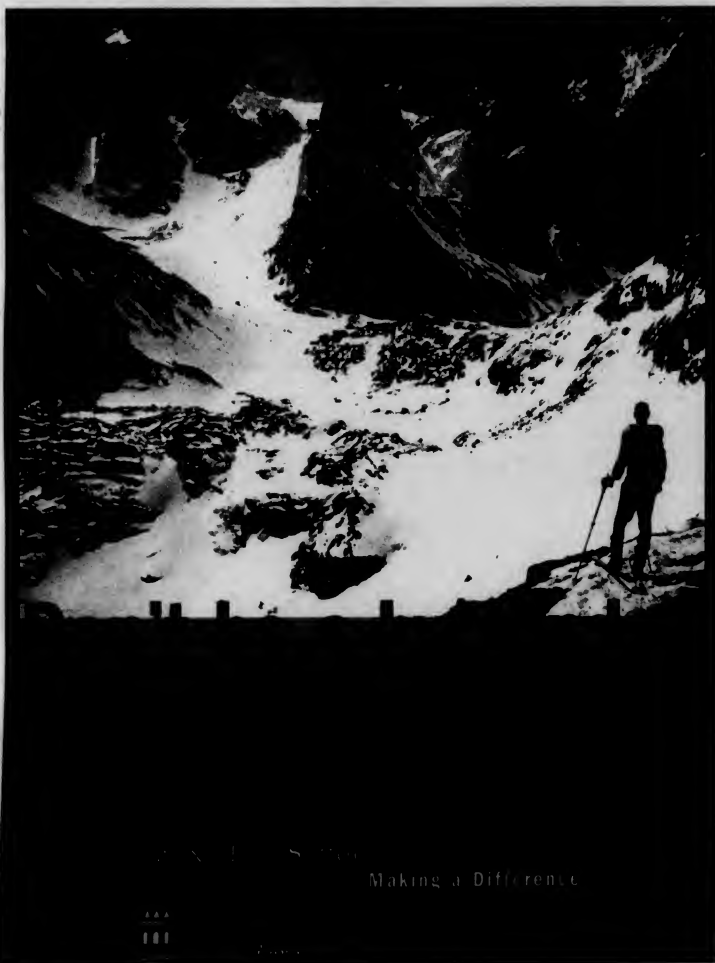
Scott's friends Elizabeth Mengesha '06 and Helder also spoke at the service. Mengesha read from a poem she had

written after learning of Scott's death, and then Helder described her relationship with Scott.

Director of the Counseling Service Bernie Harshberger followed with a statement from Scott's father, Herman Scott. In that statement, Scott's father called on the Bowdoin community to "realize the healing power of sharing Katie's stories," and to "celebrate her life by fulfilling your own potential."

"She clearly blossomed during her time here," he wrote. "All of us can go forward with her beautiful spirit in our hearts."

The dance group Obvious also performed a dance, wearing t-shirts that read "In Loving Memory/Katie Scott." Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley read a poem by Mary Oliver, "When Death Comes." The service was concluded by Baard, who read her final remarks. A gathering in Moulton Union followed the service.



Making a Difference

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

-Attendance: 25/26. Absent: Mike LoBiondo '06.

-BSG President DeRay McKesson spoke with the Colby student government president in hopes of creating a relationship between the Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin student governments.

-The BSG Facilities Committee is looking into adding shuttle service to Old Port on Saturdays.

-There will be a trial run of lim-

ited weekend hours at the Dudley Coe Health Center after Thanksgiving.

-Becky Sargent was unanimously voted in as the Community Service Representative for the Class of 2006.

-BSG voted to approve all allocations made by the SAFC for the remainder of the year. The SAFC will present a report of all expenditures to BSG at the end of the year.

-The BSG Affairs Committee presented ideas for a new BSG structure.

## Students flock to polls to vote on Maine state issues

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dents willing to vote on the subject, the Bowdoin Democrats launched an extensive last minute campaign lasting until polls closed on Tuesday evening.

"We called the dorm rooms...we knocked on dorm rooms. Once we got them here, we vanned them out," said College Democrats Programs Co-Chair Anya Trundy '06, one of the many volunteers at Moulton Union on Election Day.

While some students were inspired to vote because of the Democrats' efforts, others were put off by the aggressiveness of the campaign.

"They've called the room four times since I've gotten back from class," Carlos West '09 said. "That still doesn't change the fact that I'm not voting."

West was not the only student who decided to abstain from voting in the recent election. Some students simply did not feel the need to get involved in Maine state legislation. "I feel it's an important issue,"

"We called the dorm rooms...we knocked on dorm rooms. Once we got them here, we vanned them out."

Anya Trundy '06  
College Democrats Programs Co-Chair

Nick Peddle '09 said, "but I'm not going to change my registration just to vote on one issue. I wouldn't have voted on anything else."

Questions 2 through 6 asked voters whether Maine should borrow

money in the form of bonds to fund a variety of projects including bridge and highway improvements, agricultural assistance, economic stimulus, land conservation, and support for the public university system. Question 7 was a constitutional amendment that would allow the Legislature to assess working waterfront property based on its current usage.

Voters approved Questions 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7. A final call of Question 6—which would borrow money for university improvements—was unavailable at press time. Without including Question 6, the bond

improvements from all other questions amounted to \$74 million. Even though most student groups focused their campaign efforts on Question 1, the Bowdoin College Democrats still urged students to vote on the other issues at hand.

"We're encouraging all students to vote 'No' on 1 and 'Yes' on everything else," volunteer Brandon Mazur '08 said. While many students admitted that Question 1 was most important to them, many still felt prepared to make an informed vote on the other issues.

"I voted on all of them," Margaret Munford '07 said. "I was here this summer, so I feel slightly informed."

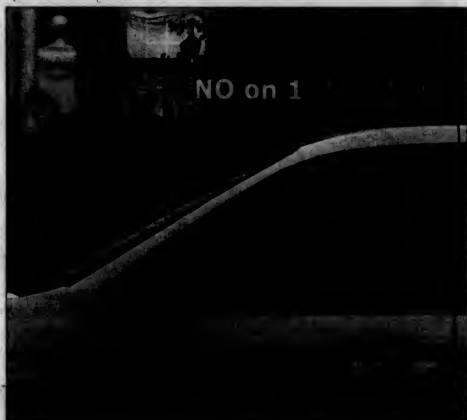
Other students, however, were more hesitant about voting on the other issues. "If I know enough about the issue, I vote," Kari Twaite '06 said. "I feel bad getting involved in something that doesn't directly affect my life."

After the results came in, Chi stated, "We've achieved a great amount of success...the Bowdoin students and the citizens of Maine were convinced that this was an issue we needed to tackle."

President of the Bowdoin College Republicans Alex Linhart '06 felt differently about the matter.

"We're very disappointed; we think Maine is making a mistake...regulation depresses economic growth, and that's not what we want."

The Coalition for Marriage, backed by other Question 1 supporters, said it will now focus their efforts on the passage of a state constitutional amendment to prohibit gay marriage in Maine, according to the Associated Press.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Margaret Munford '07 volunteered on Election Day by picking up students in front of Moulton Union and driving them to their polling places.

## UNOFFICIAL 2005 ELECTION RESULTS

State election results with 94 percent of Maine precincts reporting. Brunswick election results courtesy of [www.brunswickme.org](http://www.brunswickme.org).

### QUESTION 1:

REPEAL ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAW  
Yes 45.05%  
✓No 54.95%



### QUESTION 2:

HIGHWAY-BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS (BOND ISSUE)  
✓Yes 67.40%  
No 32.60%

### QUESTION 6:

BUILDING RENOVATIONS AT UMAINE (BOND ISSUE)  
Yes 49.45%  
No 50.55%

### QUESTION 3:

WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS (BOND ISSUE)  
✓Yes 57.70%  
No 42.30%

### QUESTION 7:

ASSESS WATERFRONT PROPERTY AT CURRENT USE FOR FISHERMEN  
✓Yes 71.58%  
No 28.42%

### QUESTION 4:

STIMULATE ECONOMIC GROWTH WITH INVESTMENTS (BOND ISSUE)  
✓Yes 58.22%  
No 41.78%

### COUNCILOR

BRUNSWICK DISTRICT 6:  
✓Ryan E. Ewing 435  
Arthur L. Boulay 294

### QUESTION 5:

PURCHASE CONSERVATION EASEMENTS (BOND ISSUE)  
✓Yes 64.73%  
No 35.27%

### COUNCILOR

BRUNSWICK DISTRICT 7:  
✓Newell A. Augur 741  
Francis M. Hugo 324

—Compiled by Anne Riley.

## Journalist compares Iraq war to Katrina response



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Journalist Christian Parenti spoke about responses to Iraq and New Orleans in an event sponsored by the Bowdoin Democratic Socialists.

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

For the second time in two weeks, a writer who has traveled to Iraq spoke at Kresge Auditorium calling for a change in U.S. foreign policy. Christian Parenti, who contributes to the leftist magazine *The Nation*, lectured Tuesday on the war in Iraq and drew parallels to the rebuilding of New Orleans.

Parenti also offered strategies to rebuild both regions. His talk followed last week's appearance by freelance journalist Dahr Jamail, who told a packed crowd that conditions in Iraq are currently worse than they were under Saddam Hussein's regime.

Parenti said that the United States went to war with Iraq due to "the underlying structural necessities of the American empire." He said that the Bush administration is determined to obtain "as much power for the United States government on a planetary level as possible," an agenda in the best interest of specific politicians advocating corporate interests like oil.

Parenti said the Bush administration lied about weapons of mass destruction and Iraqi freedom. He also alleged that the White House took advantage of America's fear

after September 11 to convince them to support war.

As for parallels between Iraq and New Orleans, Parenti said that the current situations in both regions represent the failure of the Bush administration to respond properly to crises. According to Parenti, the administration's corporate interests have hampered the relief efforts in Iraq and New Orleans. Parenti said that both regions are still lacking law and order, electricity, and water. He attributed this to incompetence and the mismanagement of resources allocated for relief.

Parenti expressed the need for the Bush administration to shift its policies on both Iraq and New Orleans. He called on the government to immediately pull troops out of Iraq, admit defeat, pay reparations, and bring Iraq and its neighboring states to a peace conference so that they can discuss strategies for rebuilding the region and maintaining peace and stability.

Regarding New Orleans, Parenti suggested that the administration can alleviate the crisis by including all citizens of New Orleans in the rebuilding process, rather than allow-

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## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

### Margot Livesey to fill post as visiting professor in English

Award-winning author Margot Livesey will join the English Department this spring to teach the first of two spring semester courses in creative writing. Livesey, who will teach a fiction workshop this spring, replaces Pulitzer Prize-winning author Richard Ford, who recently left his post as visiting writer in the English Department for undisclosed reasons.

Livesey has published five novels, *Eva Moves the Furniture*, *Homework*, *Criminals*, *The Missing World*, and most recently, *Banishing Verona*. She has also authored a collection of stories, *Learning by*

*Heart*, and is the co-editor of *Writing about Literature: An Anthology for Reading and Writing*. Her writing has appeared in numerous literary magazines including *Story*, *American Short Fiction*, *North American Review*, *Prairie Schooner*, *Ploughshares*, and *TriQuarterly*. Livesey, who was born and grew up in the Scottish Highlands, previously held the post of writer-in-residence at Emerson College.

### BSG schedules 'Name Tag Day' into fall calendar

Bowdoin Student Government approved the allocation of up to \$1,000 to the Student Affairs Committee for running Name Tag Day by a vote of 24-2.

Name Tag Day, proposed by Carolyn Chu '07, will take place on Thursday, November 17. The all-day event is meant to promote a sense of community on the campus and provide a fun study break.

All students, faculty, and visible staff members will be asked to wear name tags, which will be distributed through Residential Life and campus mail.

There will be raffles and free food available all day in the Union for anyone wearing a name tag. The day will culminate in a campus-wide Pub night which will include pizza, Dance Dance Revolution, DJ Daryl, and a name tag decorating booth.

—Compiled by Dan Hackett and Caiti Mitchell.



## Parenti calls for policy changes after crises

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ing corporate interests to rebuild the city without consulting the public.

Event organizer Ben Kreider '05 of the Bowdoin Democratic Socialists praised the event as an opportunity

for students to hear alternate viewpoints on the war.

"It is important for students to hear from someone who has been to Iraq several times what the actual conditions on the ground are like," Kreider said. "The White House, and the

Pentagon have done an excellent job of managing the information concerning the war to ensure that the public does not necessarily get the whole story."

This event was sponsored by the Bowdoin Democratic Socialists.

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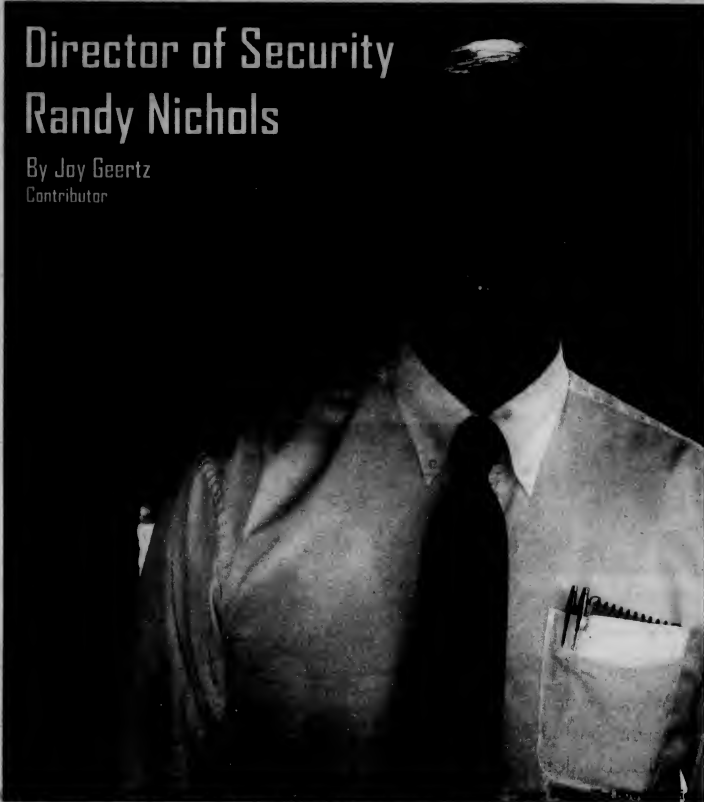
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## Director of Security Randy Nichols

By Joy Geertz  
Contributor



When explaining how he feels about his new job at Bowdoin, Director of Safety and Security Randall T. Nichols says, "I find it...immensely satisfying."

Nichols replaced Bruce Boucher as director after 27 and a half years of service with the Maine State Police.

Nichols's experience has been varied. He worked in broadcasting for radio station WFAU Augusta, Maine for about five years before switching to law enforcement. His roles as a member of the Maine State Police were also diverse, giving him a well-rounded accumulation of knowledge to bring into his work at Bowdoin.

His interest in law enforcement was sparked by his father who was the chief of the Maine State Police until 1976. Nichols recalls talking to his dad on the porch about how he wanted to try something new, and his father suggested that the state police would be a good fit.

Nichols explains that it has been a "great career, [with] a lot of excitement...[you] see all aspects of life as a police officer—the good and the bad. But the good far outweighs the bad."

During his time with the state police, Randy Nichols had multiple titles as he worked his way up the ranks. He was a trooper for six years, beginning in 1978. He then spent time working in community relations before becoming a sergeant and then a lieutenant on the Maine Turnpike. After ten years of experience there, he became a

major and served as the operations major.

As operations major, Nichols was in charge of the troopers statewide as well as the criminal division, which included everything from conversing with the media to detective work.

In addition, he piloted several programs in the state of Maine, including one of which he is most proud, "Safe Guard."

Safe Guard is a program Nichols developed in conjunction with other officers shortly before his retirement from the

*"You see all aspects of life as a police officer—the good and the bad. But the good far outweighs the bad."*

Randall T. Nichols  
Director of Bowdoin Security

Maine State Police. The program involves increased communication between police officers and parents, with the idea that parents should be called when warning signs come up and not just when their child is either dead or in serious trouble. Officers were told to ask themselves if they would want to know about something if they were a child's parents, and decide whether or not to call parents based on that instinct.

While similar programs have been implemented in individual communities, Maine's program is unique in that it is state-wide. Nichols points out that there is

no cost; the program is simply an operational procedure.

This interest in safety, especially the safety of young people, is, in large part, what drew Nichols to Bowdoin. He says that he is "extremely committed to safety—especially of young people—because they're the most at risk." When it comes to crime, substance abuse, and motor vehicle accidents, "It's as simple as that."

In addition, he describes himself as a people person and a communicator who enjoys working in community relations.

While he thought leaving the state police would be hard, the transition here has been relatively easy for him. He says, "I'm thrilled to be here at Bowdoin, doing exactly what I want to be doing."

As far as his agenda on campus, Nichols is very ambitious in improving upon the methods in place to "keep Bowdoin safe." He has been talking with staff, faculty, and students to assess the campus situation.

As is the case on many college campuses, Nichols notes the false sense of security that many Bowdoin students demonstrate and reminds the student body that it is not beyond the arm of harm simply because it is inside of "the Bowdoin bubble." He points to the murders of Colby and Bates students that occurred in the last couple of years and the mugging of a professor that occurred on campus a few weeks ago as examples that unfortunately

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## Sunday Mass brings tradition to Chapel

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

Every Sunday afternoon, light pours through the stained glass windows of the Bowdoin Chapel onto the dark wood of the pews, illuminating an atmosphere that is both reverent and casual. One will find a modest congregation of between 20 and 40 students and community members from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. A gentle hum of youthful chatter fills the air until the service gets underway with a hymn, led in the sonorous voice of Father Paul Marquis.

Although some come dressed in their Sunday best to attend Catholic Mass, this is generally the exception, not the rule. Most students attend in sweatshirts and jeans; even the rare adult attendee is often garbed in a more casual manner.

It is evident that the people within the Chapel are there out of devotion. Although some might be acting under the encouragement of a parent, students generally attend services when they feel so inspired, and it is obvious that their worship is not purely to satisfy someone else's definition of what is appropriate.

The pews within the Chapel face one another. Instead of gazing forward toward the altar and the towering organ, devotees find themselves looking at one another or admiring the biblical images painted onto the wall

above their heads. These panels depict timeless stories such as David's triumph over Goliath. Confrontation with fellow devotees through this arrangement serves as a reminder that one is part of a larger community of faith.

Although attire is informal for those attending Mass, Marquis and Brother Richard Crawley lead the service adorned in traditional robes that reach the floor. The altar is draped in white cloth and two vases filled with irises stand directly in front of it, adding a welcome element of nature that enhances the pure simplicity of the non-decorative mantle.

Crawley is the Catholic chaplain at Bowdoin and has been for the last five years. Marquis works full time as a hospital chaplain at Maine Medical Center in Portland and comes to Bowdoin on Sundays to lead Mass.

Student participation in the service is frequent. Members of the Catholic community are either asked or may volunteer to fill a role in the ceremony. Students generally present the first and second readings of the service, and one, most recently John Ferriss '08, fills the role of acolyte. An acolyte acts as an assistant to the clergy during the service, performing such duties as the presentation of the symbolic body and blood of Christ to the Father.

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## Dr. Jeff: Don't use antibiotics to fight flu

Ask Dr. Jeff

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
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Dear Dr. Jeff: Last time I had the flu, my doctor prescribed Levaquin for me. I feel like I'm coming down with the same thing again. Do I need to come in for an appointment, or can you just call in some Levaquin for me? - M.B.B.



Dear M.B.B.: I can't really comment about your previous illness, but I would like to try to assess your current one before prescribing any medications. If it really is the flu, or a flu-like illness, it's very likely your infection is viral, and not bacterial. And as I'm sure you know, antibiotics don't kill viruses.

Even if you do have a viral illness, would an antibiotic help cover you, "just in case?"

Unless you have other complicated and complicating medical problems, probably not.

In fact, unnecessary antibiotics can be harmful. They can have side effects (allergic reactions, nausea, diarrhea, and yeast infections, to name a few). They kill off helpful bacteria in your body (bacteria which help you digest food and offer protection against viral pathogens). And, they promote the development

of antibiotic-resistant bacteria (so that diseases that used to be easy to treat become very difficult to cure).

According to most experts, nearly half of the antibiotic prescriptions written each year are inappropriate. Over half of the adults who go to their health care providers for a cold are treated with antibiotics. Despite the lack of evidence of any benefit for most people from these treatments, more than 23 million prescriptions a year are written for colds, bronchitis, and upper respiratory infections. These 23 million prescriptions account for nearly one fifth of all prescriptions for antibiotics written for children and adults.

Even when antibiotics are appropriately prescribed, choosing the wrong one, or choosing an excessively broad spectrum antibiotic, may give organisms in your body a chance to develop resistance. Levaquin is certainly easy to take, and it's very effective for certain kinds of infections. It is also aggressively marketed, very expensive, and very broad spectrum. Levaquin is almost never indicated as a first-line treatment for uncomplicated infections.

You may have heard differently from advertisers. The pharmaceutical industry now spends over \$21 billion per year on marketing, and over \$3 billion on direct-to-consumer (DTC) ads. Reputable studies show that only 40 percent of these DTC ads fairly describe a medica-

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## Sunday Mass brings deep tradition to chapel

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"Brother Richard asked me to for the first time a few weeks ago," says Ferris. "It was a bit nerve-wracking."

While it is customary for Father Paul to both lead and preach Sunday Mass, he occasionally cedes his position as preacher to Crawley. Crawley addresses the congregation in a conversational, informal tone that feels in harmony with the atmosphere of worship that existed in the Chapel.

The lesson is about the Pharisees and Sadducees who opposed Jesus and his teachings. There is no fire and brimstone in his succinct sermon; he speaks of love, kindness, and patience.

"To err is human," he concludes, "To love is divine."

Crawley admits that typically a larger number of people make their way to the Sunday services.

"It might have been the weather," he says, referring to the steady drizzle that soaked Bowdoin's grounds that Sunday. "And as we approach the middle of the semester, students find they have a good many places to be."

The feeling of reverence is unmistakable gazing at the heads bowed in prayer. As the final hymn is sung, the congregation in its small entirety files out of the Chapel, and it is not long before the serene atmosphere of the Chapel is left behind and the participants resume their light-hearted exchanges.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The outside of the Chapel at nighttime in all its glory.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The interior of Bowdoin's Chapel, finished in 1855, is bathed in mid-afternoon sunlight. A Catholic Mass is held here every Sunday.

## Nichols looks to improve security...

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events can occur whether or not one is on a college campus.

He calls on the student body to help keep Bowdoin a safe place through awareness, by looking out for one another, by remembering that anyone can walk onto the Bowdoin campus, and by using and trusting their instincts.

If a person feels that something is not right, that instinct is likely to be correct and could help prevent a crime. Nichols says, "Anything that doesn't seem right, doesn't feel right..."

that's the time to call Security."

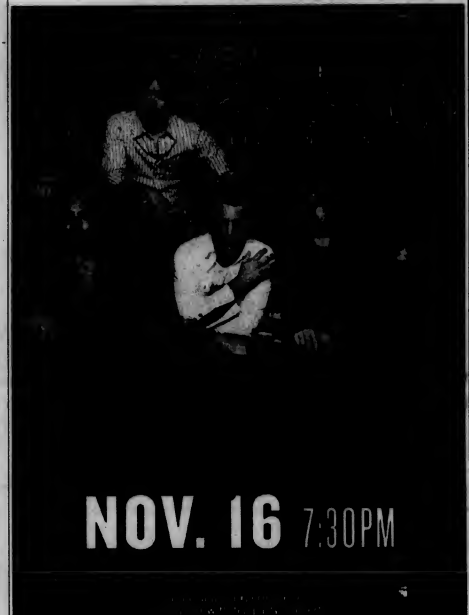
He says he doesn't want students to be paranoid, simply alert and aware. In this respect, Nichols explains that education and awareness are a huge part of Security's job.

Nichols cites lighting, pedestrian safety, personal safety, and alcohol abuse as particularly important issues at Bowdoin.

He recently led a lighting walk to assess the lighting on campus and is working to improve on-campus and off-campus lighting.

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## ...at Bowdoin; brings years of state police experience

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He will meet with Central Maine Power Company to assess and improve the street lights.

As for the dangers to pedestrians, Nichols points out that the fluorescent yellow signs that mark the middle of crosswalks are all dented in multiple places, and the drivers students are trusting not to hit them are the same drivers who dent the signs.

As far as personal safety goes, Nichols encourages avoiding dangerous situations and knowing what to do if one finds oneself in a harmful predicament.

On the note of alcohol abuse, he is working closely with the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs and is trying to monitor more closely registered alcohol events and Jack Magee's Pub.

He explains, "We take firm action when there are alcohol policy violations because it's a direct threat to the student body."

He continues that Security's primary goal is to get people home safely and enforcement is secondary to that.

Nichols is working to increase his visibility in the College community.

To raise awareness about various issues of security, he has started a radio show on WBOR with colleague Mike Brown. The show, called "Listen," airs every Thursday from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and plays music, has guests, and has a major safety or security topic for every show. This year topics have included sexual assault prevention, crosswalk safety, and alcohol abuse.

He says he is having a lot of fun with the show, as he is able to joke around, play good music, help keep Bowdoin's students safe, and go back to his broadcasting days.

He is also able to do the latter through voice over work for various campaigns, such as a Maine Project Safe Neighborhood ad that is coming out soon.

In addition to what he's already doing, Nichols plans to upgrade security all over campus, including an increase in the number of security cameras, enhancing the professionalism of campus security to provide better

*Nichols is working to increase his visibility in the College community.*

service, and hiring a few new officers.

He is delighted with Bowdoin's student body, and his favorite part of his job is making contact with students. He says, "My plan is to be highly visible on campus...available and accessible."

He has no specific office hours because he wants to be more readily available to students on campus, who he encourages to approach him in person, call him, or email him any time, as he welcomes input from the student body.

While Nichols emphasizes that crime rates are low, the Brunswick Police Department is

highly professional and has excellent response times, and a good campus emergency plan exists, personal safety cannot be taken for granted.

He reminds students, "common sense safety goes a long way."

On Nichols' work thus far at Bowdoin College, Katy Longley, Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration wrote in an email:

"We are extremely fortunate to have Randy lead the Safety and Security Department at the College. His extensive background in law enforcement and community programs will be beneficial to Bowdoin, its students, faculty and staff. During his first two months here, he is already having a big impact."

"Since his arrival, he has interacted actively with the BSG, the dean's office, and many students in promoting student safety. I haven't heard his radio show yet, but I understand that it is a hit. Randy is enthusiastic, he has a lot of energy, and we are already benefiting from his presence," she wrote.

This positive impact on the community can be expected to continue, as Nichols states, "I love being at Bowdoin. I plan on being here for many years. I can't think of another job I'd rather have at this point in my life."

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## Antibiotics don't cure influenza

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tion's efficacy, benefits, and side effects.

As you're probably all well aware, cold and flu season is starting up. We haven't yet diagnosed our first case of influenza, but like most viral illnesses, colds and the flu mostly need to "run their course." Treatment is aimed at relieving symptoms. Most people turn to some combination of decongestants, gargles, cough syrup, Tylenol or Ibuprofen, steam, extra fluids, and rest. Lots of rest.

Come into our Self-Care Room, and pick up a "Cold Care Packet." If you have access to a stove or microwave, you can also cook up some chicken soup, a favorite, nearly world-wide, home remedy. My personal suggestion would be to load it up with lots of fresh garlic and ginger. If you're vegetarian, try the garlic and ginger in a veg-

etable broth.

Sometimes viral illnesses take longer than you think they should to resolve. If you're concerned, please come into the health center to be checked out. Sometimes these illnesses progress into other problems, such as ear infections or bronchitis. Warning signs might include severe ear pain, fever greater than 101.5 for more than three days, prolonged or severe sinus pain, shortness of breath, deep cough productive of green or bloody phlegm, or swollen red tonsils with white spots. If you develop any of these signs or symptoms, please come in to see us.

We will likely not prescribe any Levaquin for you, but we promise to evaluate you thoroughly and thoughtfully.


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"As you're probably all well-aware, cold and flu season is starting up."



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## Meddies hold a capella invitational



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The Meddiebempeters performed a mixture of old standards and new material last Friday in the Chapel. Other a capella groups that performed were Colby College's Colbiettes and Bowdoin's own Miscellanea.

## Slam to give poets a reason to rhyme

by Chelsea Germeyan  
ORIENT STAFF

Slam poetry is not for the faint of heart. Attendees of a slam poetry competition—like the one planned for this Saturday evening—should be forewarned that what awaits them are not soft, calm pieces, but rather energetic, competitive, dynamic original works, often resembling the style of rap. The preconceptions of the audience regarding what is quality literature will certainly be challenged as these talented young poets pour their souls out on the stage, trying to establish their own poems while opening up a new world of poetry to those who have come to support them.

A slam poetry competition begins with every poet who has entered as a contestant. The host of the event will call each competitor out one at a time to perform. After each piece, judges will give the slammers a score on a scale of one to ten. The top three scorers will advance to the final round. In this round, each must present a new poem. The highest-scoring poet of the final three will win a prize of \$100.

Performers at Saturday's poetry slam come from a variety of locations

and levels of experience. Not only are members of Bowdoin's Poeting competing, but area high school students have also signed up, as have other poets from Brunswick and Portland. The main attractions of the evening are national slam poetry champions and social activists H'Allah Black, from Portland, Tranzil Thawt, from Rhode Island, and Brother Earl from New York. These poets regularly compete in professional slam contests, and they tour the state with their slam poetry.

"They're kind of like the top dogs when it comes to stuff like that," added Tony Perry '09, a member of Poeting.

To arrange this poetry slam, Poeting spread news of the event by word of mouth, by posting on web sites and in The Bowdoin Orient, hanging up flyers around town, and contacting local high schools. The three professional slammers have performed at Bowdoin in past years, so it was not difficult to contact their agents and schedule another event.

The slam will take place on Saturday and begin at 9:30 p.m. in Jack Magee's Pub in Smith Union. Admission is free. Doors open at 9:00 p.m.

## Jarhead a journey into psychology of Gulf War soldier

by Gabe Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

Imagine a war movie devoid of any actual warfare and you have Sam Mendes's latest and most fibrous effort, *Jarhead*. Deliberate and dramatically tapered, Mendes' dream-landscape of U.S. Marines and the mad-deningly elusive battlefield of Operation Desert Storm is both sobering and intoxicating. Rightfully absolving itself of the need to politicize its subject matter, *Jarhead* makes it a duty to immerse the viewers in the life of the soldier instead. As a war film predicated on the absence of killing and about the men who consider murder an integral component of their identity as Marines, this beautifully simple movie is an exercise in emptiness that still manages to saturate.

Jake Gyllenhaal plays Anthony "Swoff" Swofford, a boyish but determined teen on his way to the Marine forces. With a youthful absorbency and a mischievous smile, Swoff, along with each and every other recruit, seems to embrace the life of a soldier as the life of a true man. Tidbits of personal history soon rise to the surface, though, and it becomes clear that for most, joining up was a foregone conclusion, not a measured choice. To the young men of *Jarhead*, the Marines tempt not only as a right of passage, but as a supplier of whatever may be missing from their lives as well.

It is that amorphous thirst of the Y-chromosome that really pours



courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Most war movies overflow with combat sequences. On the contrary, the Marines in *Jarhead* are driven to their psychological limits by boredom.

through the screen for the first third of the film. Jamie Foxx cuts a nasty turn as the frothing Staff Sergeant Sykes, and to witness the incessant punishment and ridicule of boot camp is to weather it alongside the men onscreen. Amidst the morbid testosterone, Mendes achieves an odd flavor of fantasy. No matter how

appalling you find the torturous environment, the soldier's experience is, as always, an enchanting burden. The viewer responds to the pressure as the jarheads do: with outward excitement and hidden fear. With Swoff as their guide, the audience gears up for war.

Only there is no war to be fought.

Upon arrival in Iraq, Sergeant Sykes and his men find an empty and cruel desert, the potential for combat an increasingly dim specter of haze and sand. To pass the time, the soldiers run the gamut of manly leisure as they doze off, pleasure themselves, and fight scorpions in shoeboxes. Such minor diversions, however,

cannot begin to ease their frightening yearning to fight and kill. Boredom quickly turns to madness as Swoff and the others break under the pressures of an illusory purpose with no outlet.

Mendes's keen eye for visual

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# Telemark films carve into Kresge Sam Adams sampler yields quality brews



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Telemarkers, with their physical grace and fluid, arching turns, lend themselves very well to videography.

by Frances Killea  
STAFF WRITER

Though the campus has yet to receive any snow, telemark junkies will get first tracks this weekend.

Today the Bowdoin Outing Club and New England Telemark (NET) will bring the third annual telemark film festival. The festival was created by Biff Higginson and Matt O'Donnell, members of New England Telemark, which is one of the nation's largest and most qualified organizations dedicated to the sport of telemark skiing. Although full-length features were played at the first festival, Higginson and O'Donnell noted the reaction of audiences

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to shorter movies. Since then, the duo has made a switch and feature short films, which are all around 15 minutes in length.

"One thing we all agreed on is that so many ski films get boring after about 15 minutes," Higginson said. "The audience can only watch so much ripping, hucking, and rail riding."

Friday's festivities promise an interesting array of entries. While all of the films submitted follow the

theme "What is the spirit of telemark to you?" each promises its own action and story. During the filming of a previous entry by the now-professional crew Powderwhore, one of the skiers was caught in an avalanche.

"The Today Show and CNN must have googled the name 'Powderwhore' because NET got a lot of calls from them that day," said Higginson.

Bowdoin students have never had an entry represented, but Steve Holleran '08 will carve a new path this year. After being asked by friends, Holleran agreed to create a short about telemark, though at the time he did not even know

what the sport was. The challenge, he says, wasn't the subject matter but the editing, although he admits that filming people practicing their sport can be hard. A veteran creator of kayak and surf films, Holleran recalls that when there's that much action it can be hard to find a starting point. However, he solved that problem with his choice to focus on "the feeling behind the motion."

"In telemark skiing your heels aren't connected to your skis, so

going downhill, you can sort of run or walk in a sense. It makes for really beautiful carves and turns. It shows a whole different aspect of the mountain that you just don't get in regular downhill which seems to be a lot more about power," said Holleran.

In addition to the selection of films vying for a \$250 first-place prize, the NET film festival will offer information about resorts and equipment companies in the lobby of Kresge Auditorium, as well as hold a raffle for various prizes, including telemark gear. Starting at 7 p.m. in the VAC, this event will spread word to Bowdoin students not only about the art of film shorts but about the growing sport of telemarking.

by Carter  
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COLUMNIST

**SAM ADAMS CRANBERRY LAMBIC**—(available as part of a Sam Adams Winter Sampler 12-pack for \$12.49 at Hannaford)

This past week I treated myself to Sam Adams's annual sampler, which boasts six different styles of tasty beer. Intrigued by its name, I started with the Cranberry Lambic (classified as a Dutch Lambic beer). Upon taking the first sip, I was blown away by its sweet cranberry overtones; it was easily the sweetest beer I have tasted this semester.

As I continued drinking, I began to notice more of the dry, subtle beer flavorings that followed the cranberry tsunami entangled in the first sip. By the end of the bottle, Cranberry Lambic had taken my senses for quite a ride, characterized by fruity ups and seemingly bottomless downs. I definitely could not have taken another one of these brews, which taste like they're concocted by Ocean Spray.

Overall, this is a pretty extreme beer, packing in as much fruit flavor as you would get from a Budweiser/cran-raspberry juice combo. I recommend it to those of you who like sweet beers and think it would be a good meal companion or dessert beer. *My Ratings: Taste: 2.8, Partyability: 0.7, Benefit/Cost: 2.4.*

**SAM ADAMS BLACK LAGER**—(available as part of a Sam Adams Winter Sampler 12-pack for \$12.49 at Hannaford)

When I first picked up this black beer, I was expecting the bitterness of a stout. I was pleasantly surprised when the crisp refreshment of this Schwarzbier hit my lips with a taste akin to a very dark brown lager. This beer's body features a bold presence of hops, located somewhere in between the neck and label of the 11-inch glass bottle.

Despite the dark appearance of this beer, it has a full-flavor profile and should be a welcome addition to any winter collection. Interestingly, when it is poured, this beer's head appears chocolate-brown, exhibiting a satisfying display of contrasting shades before the initial gulp. The beauty of this beer, like many other winter drafts, is that it can be consumed in multiple situations—dinner, dessert, breakfast, midnight snack, etc. Heavy as it is, the Black Lager will fill you up after two or three, but will sit in your stomach more comfortably than many of its dark brethren. All in all, I give this beer two thumbs up and would recommend it to anyone who likes full-flavor beers. *My Ratings: Taste: 4.0, Partyability: 2.2, Benefit/Cost: 3.2.*

**BUD LIGHT**—(\$4.59 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

Of the three major light lagers brewed in America (Coors, Miller, and Bud), I would have to say Bud Light is the best. Compared to its competitors, Bud manages to pack enough flavor into each can to make it seem as though the brewers actually decided to include non-water/alcohol ingredients.

I find that Bud Light is the smoothest of the three light beers and can deliver the best response from party-goers—dudes and chicks alike rarely complain when someone shows up with a 30 of Bud Light. The worst part about this beer is the price, coming in at around \$17.00 for a 30-rack. If you are trying to look classier by purchasing Bud Light instead of Natural Light, you're not kidding anyone and you just spent \$4.00 more than you needed to.

Bud has in recent years made the bottle more streamlined and sleek in hopes of making its beer more fashionable and pleasing to the eye. I must say that this was genius—I can't tell you how many times I've heard people say they can chug the new cans "so much faster" than the old, slower ones. *My Ratings: Taste: 1.1, Partyability: 4.6, Benefit/Cost: 3.9.*

## Upcoming Events...

**-Paranoid Social Club**  
Where: The Big Easy, 55 Market Street, Portland.

When: November 26 at 9:00 p.m.  
Tickets: Available at the Big Easy, or call (207) 871-3817.

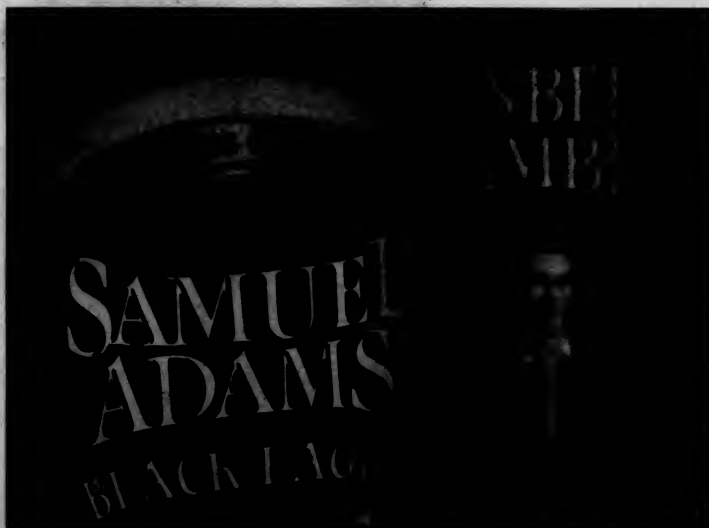
**-Mudvayne w/ Sevendust**  
Where: The State Theater, 609 Congress Street, Portland.

When: December 2 at 7:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$28.00, available at the

Cumberland Country Civic Center box office, or by calling (207) 775-3331.

**-311 w/ Alien Ant Farm**  
Where: Cumberland County Civic Center.

When: Nov. 18 at 7:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$29.50, available at the Cumberland Country Civic Center box office, or by calling (207) 775-3331.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The Boston Beer Company does not disappoint with its Sam Adams Sampler.



# Winter tips for fashion victims

by Vanessa Kitchen and  
Monica Ruzicka  
CONTRIBUTORS

In the aftermath of daylight-saving time, no one can deny what is to come: a long, dark winter. It always seems to sneak up too quickly, but this is Maine, and the season is inevitable, so you might as well be prepared. That said, don't be so quick to throw on the fleece that's been your staple in past years. Sure it's reliable, but with day after day of cold and snow, why not live up your wardrobe and combat the winter blues with a little self-expression?

A major "do" for winter is to stand out amidst the sea of Northface labels. Fur tends to be a touchy topic, but faux fur is a viable option. Consider replacing your simple fleece-shell combo with a jacket sporting a faux-fur trimmed hood. Steer clear of a full fur jacket. Sure, we're the Polar Bears, but we don't necessarily need to appear ursine—a "get blacked out" t-shirt should suffice.

Looking for another key theme for the upcoming months? Layer up. Camisoles are hot, but there's no sense frolicking around Harpswell thinking that the look is going to get you noticed. Well, okay, it might, but who wants to be that girl? There are plenty of weather-friendly options that make for a great going-out look. Use the cami as a layering piece instead. Throw a shrug on top, and you're ready to hit the Bowdoin hot

spots. For another option, layer up slim-fitting tanks and long sleeve tees. They're flattering on everyone. Just don't go too tight or too short...leave something for the imagination, please.

If you're going to be outside the whole night, draw attention to the neck up. Jewelry is the name of the game this winter—lots of it. Beaded necklaces, dangly earrings, and chunky bracelets are some examples. Other accessories like buckled boots,

is done. It was a nonsensical one to being with—warm boots, bare legs, short skirt? The boots can't possibly compensate for the cold rushes between your legs—you know what we mean. Not to say you can't pair boots with a skirt, but the look is much less *Mean Girls* if you opt for a skirt that falls a couple inches above the knee. Don't forget the opaque tights...they're back.

Don't worry guys; we haven't teased you by the wayside. As girls' styles tend to change more drastically than guys' do, try reworking the accessories. A great belt or shoe can do wonders for a look. From afar, it's nearly impossible to tell one guy from another around here. Adding new buckle to an existing leather belt can make all the difference, and it just might draw more attention to your best asset. Also, give your usual kicks a break. This campus isn't large enough to justify sneakers on a daily basis. Instead, throw on a pair of loafers or leather lace-ups with contrast stitching. A word to the wise: never, ever, ever leave the dorm in a turtleneck. No excuses.

One suggestion for both guys and girls this winter: don't be afraid of trying a new color. Girls, go for the winter white. It's clean, classic, and great in a chunky knit sweater. Guys, go for an unusual color. Navy and hunter green get old, so opt for a bright red, peach, light blue, or—(gasp)—pink or lavender.

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Don't go there. That  
trend is done.*

stylish belts, and metallic bags (they're still in!) will do wonders to help you catch someone's eye outside Pine Street.

The time has come to break out the Uggs...again. Most would argue that this commercialized trend is already far gone. However, in Maine, shearling-lined boots are not only functional, but with the numerous options of style, color, and brands, there is something to satisfy every taste.

We couldn't mention Uggs without also mentioning the infamous mini-skirt. Don't go there. That trend

## Jarhead gets in the heads of Marines

JARHEAD, from page 8

splendor compliments the frayed psyche of the men on screen. In films like *Apocalypse Now* and *Platoon*, the ragged jungles of Vietnam whispered the primal regression that marked the warfare of both movies so vividly. Here, Mendes utilizes the creamy landscape of the Iraqi desert (actually shot in California) to hint at the chaos and confusion of soldiers without a war to fight. As Swoff and company wander through increasingly ghostly conditions, as their pores are caked with oil and their trigger fingers constantly tricked, disillusionment sucks them in like quicksand, and *Jarhead* transforms into a nightmare of a never ending wasteland.

To watch *Jarhead* is to be exposed to the striking realities of a soldier's life. More importantly, the film exposes the transparency of the desire to fight. As an audience we sympathize with Swoff because we have seen the devices that so thoroughly conjured his most diabolical characteristics. As the Marines wander aimlessly through the desert oil-fields, their survival seems to revolve less around enemy encounters than dealing with the contemplation of their own navels. It is an oddly captivating experience to watch young men attempt to live through the wartime mechanization of their own minds. As an audience, we are invited to partake in the desire to fight, as well as the heartbreaking lack of fulfillment when the opportunity to do so is never realized.

When the credits roll, we question not if we would want to experience war for ourselves, but if we could indeed bear to return from war alive, to a home that is now somehow foreign.



Ben Detwiler hoped to make the world a better place. That hope died when he was killed by a drunk driver.

What should you do to stop a friend from driving drunk?  
Whatever you have to.  
Friends don't let friends drive drunk.



# Wine suggestions for Thanksgiving

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNIST

Thanksgiving is drawing near. According to empirical evidence, holidays cause more stress than anything else (with the possible exceptions of standardized tests and the words "we need to talk"). How can you survive the stress? While I would not condone going on a heavy drinking binge that permits you to stumble through the holiday in an apathetic stupor, I do have some wine-related suggestions. First of all, I recommend bringing home a lot of work so that you have a legitimate excuse to escape spending excessive amounts of time with the family. Also, you can impress your folks and distract them from your lack of direction or life's ambition by thoughtfully bringing home a bottle of wine for the big dinner.

If you're among the readers who can't buy alcohol yet, then I suggest you wow your folks with some excellent hot apple cider. I can't get enough apple cider. My favorite is the one available at the Saturday farmer's market near the Bowdoin Organic Garden. It's only \$4.00 for a gallon and quite delicious. To make it extra special, heat it over a medium-hot burner and add some cinnamon. It adds to the flavor but doesn't make it sweeter than the cider is naturally. If you want to get really fancy, you can get some caramel sauce and drip a tiny bit into the cup you'll be drinking out of. Stir it well, though, or you'll just end up with a sticky mess at the end. For those of your family who can indulge, a nip of brandy or even better, some Calvados (difficult to find,

but worth it) will add to the taste of the cider and is rumored to aid indigestion.

Thanksgiving is a very traditional holiday, and I know that many families are hesitant about including new additions. I say stick with what you and your family usually drinks, but remember that white wine has several advantages. It doesn't stain your host's best tablecloth when your three-year-old seestmate knocks over the glass. Also, many people cling to the rule that white is for poultry and red is for meat. If you decide to go white,

remember that it is best served slightly chilled and that you will probably need an ice bucket to keep it cool throughout the meal. I would recommend a dry white wine with crisp characteristics such as a Chenin Blanc or a Sancerre. It will cut through any heaviness in the food and won't clash too strongly with the varied flavors. White wine has fewer tannins (which can induce sleep) than red, so you might actually make it through dessert.

One can make an equally strong case for red wine, depending on your preference. Turkey can be a very meaty, rich food, with much more flavor than its cousin, chicken; it can certainly stand up to a red wine, and will benefit from the right one. If your side dishes tend more toward roasted winter vegetables than candied yams, go with red. I would recommend an Italian red (good spice and fruit flavors that won't overpower the food). With dessert, you can't go wrong with a good Muscat or Madeira. Happy Thanksgiving and happy (responsible) drinking.



## WBOR 91.1 FM DJ's OF THE WEEK



Kate Johnson '06 and Leslie Bridges '06

*What is the best song ever made?*  
KJ: "Rhapsody in Blue," by George Gershwin.

LB: "What's the Frequency, Kenneth?" by R.E.M.

*Who is the greatest living musician?*

KJ and LB: Johnny King of Johnny King and Gaskets.

*What was the first album you ever bought?*

KJ: Ace of Base's *The Sign*.

LB: *Pet Sounds*, by the Beach Boys.

*What was the best show you've ever seen live?*

KJ and LB: Mongrel Tide, live at the WBOR studio...private show, standing room only. So hot.

*If you were dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?*

KJ and LB: It would probably be

one of our original show tunes, either "Hillary, I Wanna Help With Mixin' Those Drinks", or "It's Pam!"

*If you were onstage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?*

KJ: "Somebody better be coming home with me to cuddle!"

LB: "What's the frequency, Kenneth...or guys?"

*What song pumps you up?*

KJ: "Pump It Up," by Danzel.

LB: "Pump It Up," by Danzel.

*What song brings you down?*

KJ: "It's Cool, We Can Still Be Friends," by Bright Eyes.

LB: "Don't Worry, Be Happy," by Bobby McFerrin.

Johnson and Bridges can be heard on "Salt, Sex, and Songs We Like," 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday evenings on WBOR 91.1 FM.



# SPORTS

## Football comes from behind to beat Bates



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The football team practices on Wednesday evening in preparation for its home game against Colby Saturday.

*Bowdoin will play Colby at home Saturday to vie for second place in the NESCAC*

by Chris Bucci  
STAFF WRITER

The football team rebounded from a slow start to defeat rival Bates 21-14 Saturday. The victory improved the Polar Bears' record to 6-1 for the first time since 1970.

The Bobcats jumped ahead to an early 7-0 lead when Bates quarterback Brandon Cohen punched it in from the one-yard line. Bates added another touchdown to the scoreboard just before halftime, giving the Bobcats a 14-0 advantage.

Bowdoin quarterback Ricky Leclerc '06 threw two interceptions in the first half, but his second half touchdowns made his performance memorable. Leclerc marched the Polar Bears down the field on a five-play drive for 37 yards to cut Bowdoin's deficit in half with a bullet into the sure hands of Doug Johnson '07, with 14:56 remaining in the fourth quarter.

Bates' next drive turned the ball over to Bowdoin when the Bobcats fell short in a fourth down conversion attempt on Bowdoin's 24-yard line.

Bowdoin tied the score with a 16-play drive that ended with 4:23 on the clock when tight end Jared Prichard '06 caught a five-yard pass from Leclerc.

The reeling Bobcats then went three and out and were forced to punt. The punt was shanked, allowing the Bears to take over on the Bates 34-yard line with 3:57 remaining.

Five of the six plays on the next drive were given to running back Matt Boyd '06, who punished the worn-out Bates defensive line. Boyd crashed through

the line to the end zone from two yards out to cap the drive and cement the Bears' comeback.

Bowdoin has had a variety of victories this year. There have been defensive masterpieces, offensive onslaughts, and individual triumphs, but this win combined all types.

Boyd left his mark on the Bobcats with 124 yards on 32 carries, including his game-winning touchdown. Leclerc was 25 for 42 for 306 yards, two touchdowns, and two interceptions.

The team's reliable wideouts did not let Leclerc down. Senior Jeff Nolin had nine catches for 135 yards, and Scott Brisson '06 had four for 69 yards. Both wideouts burned defenders for long plays of 35 yards each. Prichard added to the touchdown tally with five catches for 50 yards. Johnson also contributed to the Polar Bear effort with four catches for 40 yards.

After the game, Leclerc credited the wideouts with the offense's success.

"When Boyd is averaging four yards a carry, it makes the passing game open up," he said. "Teams start keying on Nolin and Brisson, and that's when Doug and Prich make big plays to win the game."

On the defensive side, Brendan Murphy '07, Shaun Kezer '06, and John Regan '07 all lived up to their reputations. Murphy continued to demonstrate his skill as corner through his pass defense. In addition, he led the team with 13 tackles. Regan and Kezer plugged up the middle of the field with 12 and 11 tackles, respectively. Dylan Brix '07 also had a sack and a forced fumble.

The Polar Bears will play Colby for the CBB Championship this weekend. On paper, the teams seem evenly matched, with each team boasting a 6-1 record.

"This is going to be a dogfight, plain and simple," co-captain Mike Stratton '06 said.

## Women's rugby shut out by Northeastern and Bates

by Clara Cantor  
CONTRIBUTOR

The fourth-ranked Bowdoin Women's Rugby Team competed in the NERFU Final Four Tournament at Plymouth State University last weekend. The Polar Bears returned with losses to Northeastern and Bates.

Bowdoin faced the top-ranked Northeastern Huskies on Saturday afternoon. Northeastern pummelled Bowdoin, handing them a 31-0 loss.

Despite the best efforts of the Bowdoin defense, composed of junior Margaret Griffith and first year Maria Koenigs, the Huskies scored three times with conversions in the first half. In the second half, the Huskies scored two more times.

On Sunday, Bowdoin played a consolation match against Bates. The Bobcats defeated Bowdoin 19-0 in the their second meeting of the season. The senior ruggers, playing in their final game of the season, competed with intensity. Foward Kelly Orr '06 led the team with

Griffith's assistance, but was left to lead the Polar Bears alone, when Griffith left the field because of a neck injury. Griffith recovered and was released from the hospital with a neck brace.

The team finished the season in fourth place behind Bates, Plymouth State, and conference champions Northeastern. The Polar Bears are proud of their 5-1 regular season record, as well as their first-round playoff win over Southern Connecticut.

"It was a disappointing way to end, but it doesn't overshadow the amazing season we've had. Watching Northeastern play on Sunday, I wasn't ashamed to have lost to a team like that," senior Jenima Fernandez said of the season.

The Polar Bears are already looking ahead to next year's season.

"We have a young A-side team this year," coach MaryBeth Mathews said. Despite graduating a terrific class of nine seniors, the team will return with excellent potential next year. We're looking forward to it."



Whytiae Martin-Sackett for The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Claudia Marroquin is lifted into the air by teammates for a lineout in Saturday's game against Northeastern.

# Athlete Profile: Ricky Leclerc Patriots will not contend this year

Joe Berte  
CONTRIBUTOR

It is a well-established fact that the quarterback is the "general" on the gridiron. For Bowdoin, this season has been no exception.

The "general" is senior Ricky Leclerc, who has led the Bears to their first 6-1 season since 1970.

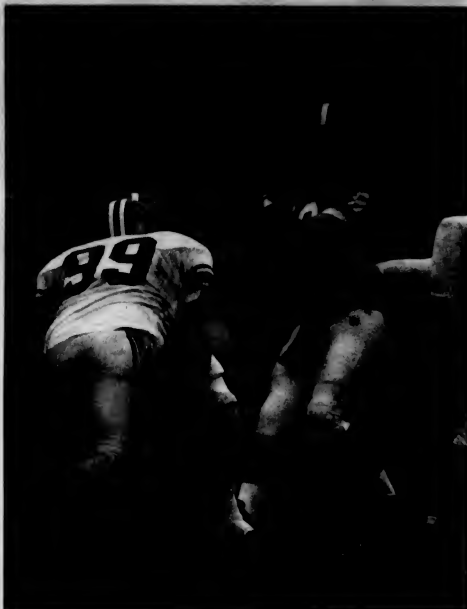
Football is in this quarterback's blood. His father played for the University of New Hampshire and his grandfather for the NFL's Chicago Bears. In eighth grade, Leclerc began a football career that has only added to the family's legacy.

A Manchester, New Hampshire native, Leclerc led his high school team to the New Hampshire state title. At Bowdoin, Leclerc has ensured that his name is inscribed in the record books. He holds his place in Bowdoin football history with records for most completed passes, most attempts, most yards per game, and most touchdowns thrown per game.

Ever modest, Leclerc gives his team more credit than his arm. "This season, in particular, I have been blessed with some talented wide receivers and tight ends that can run and catch the ball downfield. Also, the offensive line has played extremely well," he said.

Although Leclerc is proud of the team's accomplishments this year, he is focused on the Colby game this weekend.

"I don't think this season will mean anything unless we come away with a win over Colby this coming weekend," Leclerc commented.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

QB Ricky Leclerc '06 has led the football team to a record-setting season.

The Class of '06 has never defeated Colby, but will look to cap off the most successful season in recent history with a CBB victory.

A two-sport athlete, Leclerc will captain the baseball team this spring. A pitcher, outfielder, and offensive stand-out, Leclerc has also made his mark on

the baseball diamond. When he is not representing the Polar Bears on the field, Leclerc enjoys golfing and skiing. For inspiration, Leclerc looks to his favorite professional athlete, Brett Favre, the quarterback of the Green Bay Packers. Leclerc will graduate this spring with a sociology major.

## Patriots will not contend this year

Eren Munir  
CONTRIBUTOR

A deafening silence ran across Gillette Stadium as the clock struck midnight in Foxboro on Monday. The new day signaled the end of an unparalleled era in Patriots history. The period saw three Super Bowl rings and an NFL record 21-game win streak. It seemed that victory was guaranteed, regardless of whom the Pats were playing. Monday represents the irrefutable loss of this confidence.

This is a dark and depressing realization for Patriot Nation. Many fans, who were living in complete happiness, have been forced to accept the team's limitations.

It has been difficult for fans to acknowledge that Brady and Belichick can bleed like the rest of the NFL does. Even after losses to Denver and San Diego this season, fans were unwilling to accept reality.

They pushed those dismal losses to the back of their memory and convinced themselves that when necessary, in a clutch, this Patriots team would be like all those in recent memory: capable of winning when it really mattered. But, the truth might have finally set in. This team will not be traveling to Detroit to play in this year's Super Bowl.

The difficulty with this team comes in separating talent from passion. Those who think that the losses are coming from a lack of desire and motivation are stuck in the past. They need to realize that the Patriots are giving everything they have, but their talent is merely average.

Injuries are only part of the problem. The rest of the team's difficulties stem from the failed signings of Scott Pioli.

Pioli, the Vice President of Player Personnel, strongly misjudged the off-season acquisitions of Duane Starks and Monty Beisel. As a result the team is incapable of keeping up with teams like Indianapolis. The most sobering part of the whole process is that New England played up to its potential (considering the circumstances) last Monday.

It was not a matter of the Patriots having a bad night and the Colts having a great night. It came down

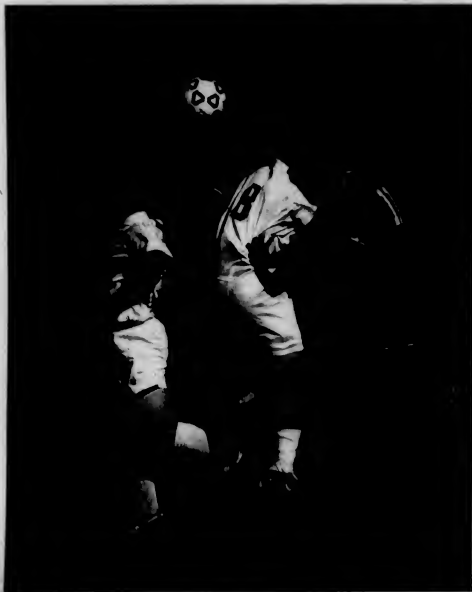
*[The Patriots] will not be traveling to Detroit to play in this year's Super Bowl*

to the superior talent of the Colts.

Despite all of these factors, New England should feel confident going into the last half of the schedule. The Patriots have played through the most difficult part of their season and they are still standing alone atop the AFC East, albeit with a 4-4 record.

Realistically, New England only has to win five more games to guarantee its place in the playoffs. The Patriots should be able to take advantage of the minimal competition within this year's AFC East, but they will not be able to rely on weaker opposition for a title. Even if they do manage to win the division, no one should expect them to do anything of importance. Not this year, anyway.

## Men's Soccer fails to receive bid



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The soccer team did not receive an at-large bid into the NCAA tournament.

Dan Hackett  
ORIENT STAFF

The men's soccer team posted a stellar 11-3-1 record this season, but failed to qualify for the NCAA tournament. After a heartbreaking 4-1 loss to Wesleyan (10-5-3) in the NESCAC quarterfinals, the team was forced to wait for the NCAA tourna-

ment pairings, which were announced last Sunday.

Yet Wesleyan once again played the role of spoiler for the Polar Bears, becoming the first seventh seed in any sport to win the NESCAC Championship, by edging Amherst out 3-2 in an exciting final. After losing to Bowdoin 0-1 in the Polar Bears' final match of the regular season,

Wesleyan rolled through tournament play, downing Bowdoin and Williams (13-2-0) before dispatching Amherst (9-5-3) for the crown.

NESCAC Champion Wesleyan was awarded the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA tournament, and Williams received an at-large bid.

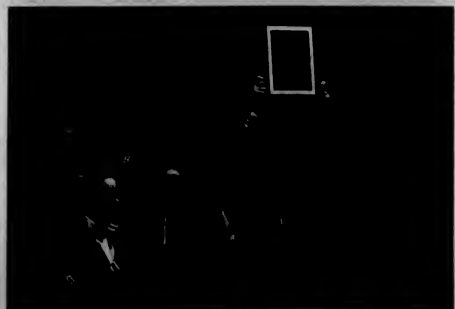
Had Wesleyan lost to Williams in the tournament semi-final—and had Williams won the NESCAC title—the Polar Bears would have stood in prime position to receive an at-large bid.

Another scenario could have panned out favorably for the Polar Bears involving Keene State (Little East Conference, 12-3-3) and Western New England College (Great Northeast Athletic Conference, 19-2). If either of the two powerhouses—both ranked first in their respective conference tournaments—had won their conference championships, then Bowdoin may have gotten an at-large bid. Unfortunately for the Polar Bears both Keene State and WNEC failed to live up to their number-one seeds, but stole at-large bids nonetheless.

Despite the disappointment in failing to qualify for the NCAA tournament, the men's team looks forward to posting another successful campaign next fall. Gritty midfielder John Hollis '07 remains confident in the team's returning core.

"Our work ethic has improved a lot. We have good direction in Fran O'Leary and with his second year as coach we have a lot to look forward to. Team chemistry is excellent, and though we're losing a lot of talent we hear that we've got some good talent and athleticism coming in to make an immediate impact," Hollis said.

## Field hockey takes championship in fourth round of penalty strokes



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The field hockey team celebrates its victory over Williams on Saturday.



# Women's soccer loses in OT



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior midfielder Ivy Blackmore dribbles past a Bates defender in Saturday's NESCAC semifinal match.

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

The women's soccer team lost to Bates 1-0 in the NESCAC semifinals on Saturday.

The Bears were defeated nine minutes into overtime. Bates's Jesse Gargiulo set Kim Alexander up for a shot. The Bobcat forward fired the ball past Bowdoin goalie Anna Shapell '06 into the far post of the net, winning the game and

shutting Bowdoin out of the NESCAC tournament in the semifinal round.

Although the women's soccer team has advanced to the NESCAC semifinals every year since its establishment, the Polar Bears have never captured the championship.

The Bobcats played an aggressive game, keeping up with Bowdoin in every aspect. Bates had 12 shots on goal, while Bowdoin had seven. The Polar Bears created

good scoring opportunities, but were unable to follow through with shots on goal.

Bates was in top form, forcing goalie Shapell to make a difficult save in the second half.

Bates had already defeated the Polar Bears in the regular season 1-0, so Bowdoin was prepared for a difficult match.

Bates defeated Tufts for the NESCAC title on Saturday. The Bobcats will advance to the NCAA

## FIELD HOCKEY

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	9	0	16	0
Middlebury	8	1	14	3
Williams	7	2	13	4
Wesleyan	5	4	11	5
Tufts	5	4	8	7
Connecticut Col.	4	5	8	7
Bates	3	8	7	8
Amherst	2	7	5	9
Trinity	1	8	5	9
Colby	1	8	5	8

## SCOREBOARD

Sa 11/5 v. Wesleyan **W** 2-0

Su 11/6 v. Williams **W** 1-0

## SCHEDULE

Sa 11/12 v. The College of New Jersey (NCAA Second Round) 11:00 a.m.

Su 11/13 Regional Final (Winner of Bowdoin and TCNJ plays winner of Springfield and Middlebury at Bowdoin) 1:00 p.m.

## WOMEN'S RUGBY

## SCOREBOARD

Sa 11/5 v. Northeastern (at Plymouth) (Second-Round) **L** 31-0

Su 11/6 v. Bates (at Plymouth) **L** 19-0 (Consolation)

## MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

## SCHEDULE

Sa 11/12 N.E. D-IIs (at Springfield) 11:00 a.m.

## WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

## SCHEDULE

Sa 11/12 N.E. D-IIs (at Springfield) 11:00 a.m.

## FOOTBALL

School	NESCAC		State	
	W	L	PF	PA
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	7	0	213	29
Middlebury	6	1	128	96
Colby	6	1	178	111
Amherst	5	2	178	64
Williams	5	2	181	130
Middlebury	2	5	132	125
Tufts	2	5	93	132
Bates	1	6	82	204
Hamilton	1	6	76	261
Wesleyan	0	7	87	196

## SCOREBOARD

Sa 11/5 at Bates **W** 21-14

Sa 11/12 v. Colby 12:30 p.m.

## SCHEDULE

Sa 11/12 v. Colby 12:30 p.m.

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	6	2	12	3
Tufts	6	2	12	3
Amherst	8	2	8	3
BOWDOIN	6	3	10	5
Williams	5	3	9	5
Bates	5	3	13	3
Middlebury	4	3	7	6
Colby	3	2	7	3
Conn. Col.	2	7	0	5
Wesleyan	1	8	2	3
Trinity	1	8	0	3

Sa 11/5 v. Bates (NESCAC Semifinal at Tufts) **L** 1-0

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.  
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# Field hockey wins NESCAC championship, looks to NCAA

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goal. Senior Margaret Gormley found several openings off of 16-yard hits to connect with McNamara, who faced the Williams keeper one-on-one several times, but was unable to put it in the net.

Leonard gave a stellar performance in goal, coming through for Bowdoin even in the most difficult situations. During one of the most nerve-racking moments of the game, Leonard was

left to face the Ephs's first year Meghan McGowan without any defensive support. McGowan, who picked up the loose ball at midfield, had a clear shot on goal with the exception of pressure from behind coming from junior Taryn King. Demonstrating characteristic aggressiveness, Leonard dove for the ball, giving Williams a corner kick.

"I was waiting to see if Taryn could catch her at first. As soon as she got close to the circle I ran out at

her. I was originally going to stack in front of her, but when I realized she was going to pull around me I just went for the tackle," Leonard said of her save.

Leonard withstood even more pressure as the match moved into penalty strokes.

"I was actually more nervous for the overtime because penalty strokes are a direct shot and you get several opportunities," she said. "I also had a pretty good idea of what they were going to do because I had faced them in three rounds of strokes earlier in the previous game."

First years Julia King and Kristen Veiga scored in the first two rounds of penalty strokes, but Williams matched the Bowdoin effort. The next round was scoreless for both teams. Bowdoin edged ahead of Williams for victory in the fourth round of strokes with a goal from McQueney and a block from Leonard.

"I knew she was going to my right," Leonard said. "If the other team isn't paying attention and you know what they are going to do, this is a huge advantage."

The victory was especially



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Goalie Kate Leonard '07 makes the game-winning save against Williams.

rewarding to the seniors after four years of hard work and devotion to the team.

"It just felt very satisfying," said Gormley. "Our team is so hard to please, we set the bar so high, and have such high expectations for each other and ourselves, that to feel completely satisfied was really an amazing feeling."

Forward Christi Gannon '06 echoed Gormley's sentiment.

"Everyone was so excited and so exhausted at the same time, but in such a good way," she said. "Williams played so well and so hard, so they obviously deserve so much credit, but we knew we had played like champions."

Bowdoin will play The College of New Jersey in the second round of the NCAA tournament on Saturday at 11 a.m. on Ryan Field.



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Lindsay McNamara '09 attempts to score on a breakaway against Williams.

A look back: Field hockey's undefeated season, to date. OT = overtime, PS = penalty strokes

at Wellesley 2-1	at Wheaton 1-0	at Husson 8-0	v. Colby 3-1	v. Williams 2-1 (PS)	at Amherst 2-0	at Middlebury 2-1 (OT)	at Tufts 4-1	at Bates 3-0	v. Conn. Coll. 4-1	v. UMF 5-1	at Trinity 4-0	v. Southern Maine 8-0	v. Wesleyan 7-1	v. Wesleyan 2-0	v. Williams 1-0 (PS)
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## Congrats, Polar Bears

**B**owdoin may not have a Division I basketball team dribbling by Kansas or Kentucky in every March Madness, and our campus is far from an Olympic training ground. Yet, two teams this season have especially highlighted the strength of Bowdoin Athletics. The field hockey and football teams' athletic achievements have made the campus proud—they have exceeded all expectations and we congratulate them for their accomplishments.

Coming off a number of down seasons, the football team has played a smart and disciplined game since its opener against Middlebury. From Quarterback Ricky Leclerc's amazingly-targeted throws to Linebacker Shaun Kezer's wall of a defense, the entire team has come together and proven that Bowdoin football is no longer the team other schools want to play at their homecomings. Tomorrow the team will face Colby—both are 6-1—at home in a season finale with second place in the NESCAC on the line. Saturday's football game is a must-see: not only to witness what could be a perfect end to a storied season, but to show the team support and congratulations for its last seven hard-fought games. Saturday is an opportunity for the campus to unite and show those Mules what it means to be an 800-pound predator looking for blood.

The Bowdoin Field Hockey Team—the newly crowned NESCAC champion—will compete in the NCAA playoffs this weekend. Winning the NESCAC final against Williams in penalty strokes after double overtime was a fitting end to an undefeated 14-0 regular season. Now at 16-0, Bowdoin is currently the only undefeated team in Division III field hockey. After a first-round bye, the team will face the College of New Jersey at home Saturday. If victorious, the team will play again on Sunday in a third-round match at Ryan Field. Students and faculty will be in for a treat if they attend this weekend's matches. From Margaret Gormley's dynamic defense to Christi Gannon's unstoppable offense, the team's future opponents should be fearful indeed because this season's Polar Bears have exhibited an inexorable determination to win. Future success notwithstanding, this team has carved an enduring place for itself in Bowdoin's history books.

We wish football and field hockey the very best of luck this weekend and once again congratulate them on their successes.

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## Alito is right about abortion

## You Got Conserved

by Will Hales  
COLUMNIST

With the nomination of Samuel Alito to the Supreme Court, one issue quickly rose above all others for those preparing to question his record. Alito's opinion on abortion is clear, whether one consults his 90-year-old mother (who has already gained notoriety in the press for confidently proclaiming her son's pro-life beliefs), or some of the 350 opinions he has written as a judge.

There is little doubt that Alito is a splendid candidate for the court; he is an extremely experienced jurist who has been acclaimed for his thoughtful conservatism and scholarship. Barring any unforeseen skeletons emerging from his closet, I can confidently predict that he will be confirmed as an associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Despite this, opponents of Alito's confirmation will say that he should be voted down because of his position on abortion, and seemingly, by default, his position on one's right to privacy. Because of the contentious nature of the abortion question, it takes the forefront in every discussion of privacy and government and has become one of the most divisive issues in American society. However, Alito's views should not worry the Left, nor should they worry the Right.

In several previous decisions, Alito has ruled to affirm Roe v.

Wade, which is significant because it demonstrates that he respects precedent—this is a lynch-pin characteristic for the Left because their worst fear is that any Bush-nominated justice will essentially legislate the right-wing agenda from the bench. John Roberts won the support of key Democrats because of his deference to precedent, and this trait will be invaluable during Samuel Alito's Senate hearings. However, with Alito's record on abortion seeming to lean slightly more to the right than that of Roberts, he should be prepared for a fight.

Abortion is, in and of itself, a medical procedure that is not without side effects or potential emotional or physical harm to the mother. For years, however, discussion of the issue has degraded its significance as a surgical procedure into simply a manifestation of a political platform topic. I fully support a right to privacy, and I do not believe that abortion should be banned; there are times when it is an appropriate intervention, such as in cases of rape or incest where a woman did not choose in the first place to have intercourse, or if it is deemed medically necessary.

There are times when abortion should be available, but I firmly believe that a woman's right to choose is not limited to her right to terminate; a woman has the right to remain abstinent, to insist on the use of a condom, to use birth control, and to keep a pregnancy and allow another family to adopt the child. It is the unfortunate result of the intensity of the debate that interest groups on the Left would lead some to believe that if one cannot have an abortion, then

one must have children. There are other options, if not as "easy" as abortion.

The problem we are seeing today is that the question of abortion is so politically, morally, and emotionally charged and polarized that the Left and Right have stopped looking at abortion itself and instead have focused on the ideas surrounding it. The Christian Right takes every opportunity to "enter the bedroom," so to speak, to extend their moral beliefs on relationships to those who may not share them. The Left has become so paranoid about attacks against privacy rights that they support measures that are harder to support, such as partial-birth abortion, a late-term procedure that aborts babies that often are well-developed and could, sometimes, survive outside the womb.

Given the nature of abortion today as a political issue, the safest route for the country is that which is moderate. Both the Left and the Right push their agendas, but it is important for the judiciary to remain independent of partisan politics. Samuel Alito has ruled several times to uphold Roe v. Wade, and he has dissented to support spousal notification in most cases of abortion. George Bush has nominated a jurist who both respects precedents set before him and has demonstrated that he will not be swayed one way or the other by the polarized opinions surrounding abortion.

That Samuel Alito will not rule based on partisan agendas—neither Democrat nor Republican—should be a heartening indication to the Senate and the Americans it represents.

## Bowdoin largely ignores classism

## Speaking Truth to Power

by Ben Kreider  
COLUMNIST

There is an issue at Bowdoin that hardly anyone talks about. No, I am not talking about race. I am talking about social class, an issue so taboo that you are practically labeled a card-carrying communist just for bringing it up. Social class is likely to be one of the defining issues of our generation, yet it is an issue that is largely ignored here. In a time of

ever-rising income inequality, it is time that we bring this issue out into the open and engage in open discussion about it.

One of the reasons why this conversation is so difficult is that nearly every person in America believes he or she is middle class. That is essentially the point of the documentary *People Like Us*, in which the filmmakers travel across the country and interview everyone from millionaires in Long Island to impoverished families in Appalachia.

This phenomenon is mirrored at Bowdoin, where many people are either blissfully ignorant of the presence of class differences, or are so

uncomfortable about it that they choose to block it out.

Yet this is an issue that is not going away. As we grow older, it will likely become more relevant, if recent trends continue. Real wages for non-college graduates have been declining for years, and they are sharply correlated with the decline in union representation. Our generation will need to confront this problem, and the dialogue will need to start on college campuses.

To its credit, the College has done a great deal to recruit students from less-privileged backgrounds. President Mills and the trustees have shown that they care about this issue by setting aside a large portion of the endowment for financial aid. This is a commendable gesture, but the College should be doing more to ensure that students from less-privileged backgrounds feel comfortable once they are here.

I have talked to several students about what it is like to be underprivileged at Bowdoin, and the reports have not been good.

One student, who I had known casually for a while, told me how he popped his collar to fit in. Another student, whom I had known pretty well for four years, admitted to me one day at lunch how he had grown up in poverty.

I do not blame these students for attempting to conform and hide their backgrounds. Yet at the same time,

## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

## Activists should have more tact

## To the Editors:

As I was finishing dinner, I heard a knock at my front door and opened it to find a Bowdoin student I recognized but did not know.

After exchanging greetings, said student asked me if I had voted today. I replied that I had not, and this prompted the student to ask me why I had not voted. I found this to be somewhat galling, as I had always been taught that a person's choice to vote and his or her reasons for doing so are personal.

I was then told that choosing not to vote was, in essence, accepting and promoting discrimination. Now, maybe I'm confused, but

isn't the act of not voting to repeal a law on the books more indicative of agreement with the current law than not?

Certain activists on campus may have good intentions behind their efforts to get people to vote. However, they would do well to keep in mind the following: Assuming that others believe as you do is asinine, asking personal questions of those who don't know you is rude, and garnering support would be easier among apathetic students if you weren't so obnoxious.

Tact goes a long way.

Sincerely,

Ferd Convery '06

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## We should talk about social class

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silence about this issue will never lead to progress.

This unwelcoming environment is fostered by open classism on campus. Students who would not think of uttering a racial slur will go on tirades about the inferiority of poor people, largely because these remarks are tolerated. It may be your

*Students can take small steps on their own, such as making attempts to actually talk to both students and staff who come from different backgrounds.*

opinion that "poor people are poor because they are lazy," but sharing such an opinion in front of your whole class is probably not the wisest move. There are more tactful, non-discriminatory ways to get your point across. How would the person

who made such a comment feel if someone alleged that "all people who are rich are that way because they exploit the poor?" It is wrong to discriminate against people for circumstances they have no control over. Children born into poor families have no control over their standards of living, just as rich children do not. Yet discrimination against the poor, intentional or otherwise, often goes unchallenged.

My sense is that many students are simply unaware of class divisions here and across the country. This impression was confirmed in an economics class, when nearly all students in a survey said they came from families earning over \$100,000 per year, and students thought the average wages in the country were much higher than they actually were.

The only way we will ever make people more comfortable with issues of social class is by engaging in open dialogue. If the College is serious about socio-economic diversity, it should sponsor open forums about the issue. Students can take small steps on their own, such as making attempts to actually talk to both students and staff who come from different backgrounds.

Some of the most satisfying conversations I have had while at Bowdoin have been with people from much different economic backgrounds than my own. These conversations may not change the world, but they have given me a wider perspective that is lacking in the oft-cited "Bowdoin Bubble."

## Jamail set example of activism

by Torin Peterson  
CONTRIBUTOR

I would like to thank Dahr Jamail for coming to Bowdoin and speaking to many of us last Wednesday night. Frankly, I almost chose homework or sleep over his lecture. However, given my schedule, the opportunity to attend a nighttime lecture is rare for me, and I did not want to waste it. To decide whether I should go, I visited his web site (<http://www.dahrjamail-raaq.com>) and read a few of his headlines: "The Untold Story of Fallujah," "Elections and Other Deceptions in Iraq," and more.

I was hooked, and I ended up hearing and seeing even more than I could have expected at a talk. An 18-minute film capturing the destruction and the victims of Fallujah, filmed and edited by an independent filmmaker who could not reveal his name for fear of being pursued by the government to a greater extent than he already has been. A room full of openly bitter veterans, yearning to create some sort of stability and peace in a world that constantly, perhaps unendingly, deteriorates before them. The passionate and detailed accounts of a man who first pushed his way into Iraq two years ago, because, like he said, he was pissed.

Well, I am pissed too, and Jamail gives me a lot of hope for what can be

done to influence the public opinion in this country, and, ultimately, to end our occupation of Iraq.

Primarily, I am an idealist. However, enormous doubts have flooded my brain repeatedly. "Can I really make a difference in all this chaos?" I ask. "What is just one answer. What can I do?" Jamail started off by asking us to do something a bit unusual: He asked us to introduce ourselves to a neighbor and speak about why we attended his talk. That was when Helen told me she was there because she is bitter. I responded that I am also bitter, but really, I want to know and do more. I marched in Washington, D.C. on September 24, but it wasn't enough. I read as many New York Times articles as I have time to read, but I still don't know enough. She advised that I keep it up, that I visit more web sites like [truthout.org](http://truthout.org), and that I continue to join others in pressuring our representatives and senators. Yes, I completely agreed with and appreciated these suggestions, but I still felt dissatisfied.

Then, Jamail showed us the gruesome film, answered questions in great detail (someone unafraid to speak fully and sincerely from a vast wealth of experience—I love to hear this), and asked us once more to be a bit unusual. After Jamail asked us, "What is one action you had always wanted to do, but never have," I immediately turned

to Helen, and I confidently said, "To call my senators, to be more aggressive on that end." But, then I realized, "Actually, I've never written anything for the Orient, never really expressed my views to the campus. Yes, that's the action."

Why that one? I don't know, but I'm doing it, and I feel active. Jamail made credentials out of a piece of plastic, a picture, and a lanyard when that was all he had. He flew to Iraq, and reported what he saw, what others weren't saying—because he was pissed. Can I further inspire a group of bitter veterans to keep fighting in the same way that he has? Can I pick something from inside, and go with it—and will it help anyone? Can I find what I am meant to do? Yes, of course I can.

Jamail opened my eyes even wider to the atrocities that we are committing in the Middle East, Gitmo, and elsewhere—and I thank him for that. However, I really thank him for affirming that solid ground does exist for me out there in the foggy of my future as long as I trust my first internal steps. When finishing homework or falling asleep is more desirable than considering how to change the world (and it always is), I will be more inclined to abandon fear and to seek my personal and unique drives, desires, dreams. Then, finally, I can just do. I am pissed too.

## STUDENT SPEAK

### Who is your favorite professor and why?



Alec Schley '06

"Professor Coviello because he looks sexy in sambas."



Andrea Lopez '07

"Shelley Deane because she is sweeter than a bowl of lucky charms."



Andrew Fried '08

"DiGuisto. We call him P.Diddy."



Bennett Haynes '08

"Tom Conlan because he transformed my writing."



Emma Sears '06

"Kidder Smith. I love his ponytail."



Allie Yanikoski '06

"Putnam because he's a hippie in professor's clothing."



Tim McVaugh '07

"I don't really have one."



Ruth Morrison '07

"Allen Wells. Why? Have you seen the jaw line on that guy?"



# The Weekly Calendar

## November 11-17

### Friday

#### Common Hour

Attend a performance by the Chamber and Jazz student ensembles.  
Tillotson Room, Gibson Hall,  
12:30 p.m.

#### Geographic Information Systems

Diana Stuart Sinton, GIS director for the National Institute for Technology and Liberal Education, will speak about computer mapping and GIS in a college environment.  
Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall, 12-1:30 p.m.

#### Film: The Woodsman

After spending 12 years in prison for sexually abusing young girls, Walter is released and works hard to rebuild his life. He gets a job working in a lumberyard and begins a loving romance with a woman he meets named Vickie.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### Film Festival

The third annual Maine Telemark Film Festival will feature the finalists of the National Amateur Telemark Film Contest and Powderwhore's newest production, "PW05."  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

#### Art Opening

A kickoff show for the new Art Union, hosted by Honora Dunham '07, will display a variety of students' works including oil paintings, colorblock prints, and large-scale life-like drawings.  
Fishbowl Gallery, Visual Arts Center,  
9-11p.m.

### Saturday

**Film: The Woodsman**  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.

#### Poetry Slam

Poets from around the community, slam champions, social activists, and Bowdoin students will compete in a slam competition for a \$100 prize.  
Jack Magees Pub, Smith Union,  
9:30 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

A view of the sunset over Walker Art Museum.

### Sunday

#### Mountaineer Lecture

Arlene Blum will speak about her adventures as a mountain climber. She is best known for leading the first all-woman ascent of Annapurna 1, one of the world's most dangerous mountains.  
Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center, 2 p.m.

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

#### Classical Music Performance

The Bowdoin Chorus and Orchestra will perform Bach's Cantata No. 140: Wachet Auf! and Beethoven's First Symphony.  
Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall,  
3-5 p.m.

### Monday

#### Educating Women in Rural China

Professor Wu Qing, women's rights activist, gives a speech entitled, "Right to Education and Education For Social Change."  
Room 20, Druckenmiller Hall,  
7 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Studio 305 Class Projects

Khalil Sharif '06 reads "We All Got the Blues," a descriptive work about self-expression and grief across two generations of narrators' lives.  
Wish Theater, Memorial Hall,  
7-8 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Artist Lecture

Sarah Slavick, oil painter, presents a slide show of her recent work.  
Room 223, Searles Science Building,  
4:30 p.m.

#### Outing Club Talk

Dave Andersen tells about his escape from a Siberian prison camp in a talk called "The Long Walk."  
Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center, 7-8 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Studio 305 Class Projects

Emily Glinick '06 translates and directs the play "The Day of the Song" by Giuseppe Emiliani, which covers grief, stress, hate, love, tragedy, and death.  
Room 16, Druckenmiller Hall, 7 p.m.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

An aerial view of the Eastern River, near Merrymeeting Bay.



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## Field hockey travels to Virginia to play in NCAA final four

by Burgess LePage  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Field Hockey Team did not take any chances this weekend, shutting out The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) and Springfield College to secure a spot in the NCAA Semifinals. The Polar Bears, the only undefeated DIII collegiate field hockey team in the country, will challenge Messiah College today in the team's first NCAA Semifinal appearance.

The Polar Bears started the fourth-round NCAA game strong, scoring off a team effort from senior Christi Gannon and first year Lindsay McNamara. Gannon's perfectly-crossed ball found McNamara's stick within the first ten minutes of play.

The Bears attempted to increase their early lead in the first half with a number of penalty corners, but failed to put shots past TCNJ goalie Kristina Beyel. A stalwart defensive effort kept the Lions at bay, allowing

TCNJ only four shots on goal.

In the second half, TCNJ desperately tried to even the score but failed in three penalty-corner chances. Bowdoin secured the victory with eight minutes remaining when Burgess LePage '07, collecting a deflected ball from McNamara, drove the ball into goal to make the final score 2-0.

In a separate fourth-round playoff match, NESCAC rival Middlebury challenged Springfield College. Springfield ended Middlebury's season and advanced to NCAA third-round play against Bowdoin with a 2-1 victory after two rounds of sudden-death overtime and a round of penalty strokes.

Although Springfield goalie Emma Kaplan made a phenomenal 29 saves against Middlebury in Saturday's game, the Polar Bears managed to put the ball past her five times. The Bears played a seamless game on Sunday with great one-on-

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## Holiday dinner draws thanks



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Both Thorne and Moulton erupted in thankful applause for the Dining Service last night as part of an organized standing ovation.

## Students question political diversity

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

Concern about political bias in the classroom, which has long been a topic of debate in academia, has re-emerged on campus in recent weeks.

The issue was raised most recently by Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) in conjunction with the proposal of an academic bill of rights, spearheaded by College Republicans President Alex Linhart '06, which ultimately failed. An academic bill of rights passed by the student government of Bates College last year stated that "academic freedom and intellectual diversity are values indispensable to the American university."

According to advocates of the bill, its passage would affirm that faculty will not "be hired or fired or denied promotion or tenure on the basis of his or her religious beliefs," nor shall

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## NBC to feature Marine's story

Bowdoin Magazine cuts own  
Cornell du Houx, Schubert  
profiles amid controversy

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

Millions of Americans will learn about Alex Cornell du Houx '06 on

national television soon—though they won't read about him in Bowdoin Magazine, which recently pulled a piece on Cornell du Houx and his political opponent Dan Schubert '06 amid controversy.

A crew from NBC's flagship news broadcast, "Nightly News with Brian Williams," will be on campus Monday and Tuesday to report on

the political activist's upcoming deployment to Iraq in the U.S. Marine Corps, Cornell du Houx said.

Cornell du Houx, who is director of development for the College Democrats of America, said the NBC crew will "follow [him] around" and will likely join him in a government class and at the gym.

When contacted by the Orient, a "Nightly News" desk assistant was unable to provide additional details. However, Maine College Democrats Co-President Frank Chi '08, who was familiar with the situation, said the crew will include contributing correspondent Jonathan Alter. Alter is also a senior editor and columnist at Newsweek magazine.

Producers have already inter-

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## Sophomores arrested on trespassing charge

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

For the first time since 1997, the one-time Kappa Sig fraternity house has seen some action.

Louis-David Lord '08 and Jacob Murray '08 broke into the empty College building, now known as Lancaster House, on November 9 in the early hours of the morning.

"[The break-in] was discovered by the Security officer on patrol," Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols said.

"As with any situation where there's an apparent crime in progress in a building, our officer called the police. It was the right thing to do," he said.

When the Brunswick Police Department arrived, they found the ladder of the second-story fire escape pulled down to the ground and a black bag at the base of the ladder. Inside, two male figures could be seen through a second story window.

"Our officers set up a perimeter around the building and brought in a K-9 unit from the Sagadahoc Sheriff's Office," Commander Richard Desjardins said. "The suspects were taken into custody without incident."

The suspects were both charged with criminal trespassing, a misde-

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## New rink awaits funds



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Dayton Hockey Arena will cease to exist within the next three years.

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

The College has asked that the two firms selected last fall to collaborate on the construction of a new hockey arena wait until fundraising can catch up to the plans for the arena. A conceptual design has been drawn for the new site, but since its completion, Bowdoin has put development on hold.

Plans for a new hockey arena have been four years in the making, with nine rink architects initially considered for the job and two firms ultimately selected for the job.

"If things go as well as they have this last month, we can hope for construction beginning sometime within the 2006-2007 academic year," Vice

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## Dudley Coe to open on weekends

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

In response to concerns that students' medical needs are not being met on the weekends, the College is instituting limited weekend hours for a trial period at Dudley Coe Health Center to deal with urgent medical needs.

Dudley Coe will provide care for some urgent medical needs, such as ear infection treatment or emergency contraception. However, students with ailments such as broken bones or wounds requiring stitches will still have to go to a hospital for treatment. Students with routine medical needs such as blood tests, physical exams, and prescription refills will need to visit the health center during

the regular weekly hours.

"The weekend hours are meant to provide focused acute care services to students over the weekend," College Physician and Director of Health Services Dr. Jeff Benson said. "By acute care services, we mean care for needs that cannot or should not wait until Monday morning, but

needs which are also not so urgent that they should be met in the emergency room."

Weekend hours will begin on November 20 and continue until Spring Break every weekend while classes are in session. Dudley Coe

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Art Union opens its  
first show of student  
artwork in the V.A.C.

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## BSG surveys campus on perceptions of political bias in the classroom

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they "use their courses for the purpose of political, ideological, religious or anti-religious indoctrination." Rather, faculty "should consider and make their students aware of other viewpoints."

Students would also be granted protection in the bill, which claims that "students will be graded solely on the basis of their reasoned answers and appropriate knowledge of the subjects and disciplines they study, not on the basis of their political or religious beliefs."

BSG voted against endorsing the bill of rights 3-16, with three members abstaining from the vote. Many members felt that the bill did not apply specifically to the College, which already has similar political and religious protection in place for students and faculty.

Linhart expressed a different opinion.

"In traditional BSG fashion, the bill failed to pass as certain members of the Academic Affairs Committee bowed to administration pressures...we must continue to forge along to obtain freedom from discrimination on our political views," he said.

Even with measures being taken by the College, some students said they have still felt discriminated against.

"I've had teachers who have had such an agenda because of their political biases that they refuse to even entertain ideas which disagree with their own," Ferd Convery '06 said. "I've been marked down on papers because I refused to give in to my teacher's agenda, and numerous students in that class had the same thing happen to them."

In testimony in front of the Maine Legislature this past summer, several Bowdoin students shared their negative experiences and endorsed the academic bill of rights.

"When I arrived as a college freshman...I was set in my ideological views," one student said. "However, within weeks, I no longer felt comfortable expressing my opinions...my professors continually derided the institutions and values I held sacred, actively compelling me to let my voice fall silent."

"I do think it is sometimes difficult for conservative students to speak up in class because they feel that they

are in the minority," said Professor of Government and Legal Studies Paul Franco. He said, however, that as the number of conservative students on campus has grown in recent years, "it has become easier for them to express their views in class."

In other testimony, a student said, "I am a disciple of Christ, and during my several years as a Bowdoin student, professors have expressed contempt towards my faith in God." The student then referenced a hostile verbal attack by one

professor and mentioned another professor who threw a Bible to the floor.

A third student criticized a course he took at Bowdoin in Marxian economics, saying it failed at "incorporating opposing viewpoints."

Linhart believes that changing the courses offered at the College would help to ease the political bias he sees on campus, noting, "They are all pretty

much of a certain point of view."

Thomas Brackett Reed Professor of History and Political Science Dan Levine takes a difference stance on bias at Bowdoin. "Liberal bias in the classroom is an accusation of conservatives who want more conservative ideas in the classroom," he said.

"You encourage students to take points of view, whether they are your points of view or other points of view," Levine added. "But sometimes, you tell students their points of view are nonsense."

Assistant Professor of Government and Legal Studies Michael Franz noted, "I take it as my responsibility not to take one side consistently...you should not be punished for expressing your views."

In an unscientific self-selecting survey of 649 Bowdoin students taken by BSG, 98 said that they felt they had been discriminated against in an academic setting because of their political, religious, or sexual beliefs.

When asked, "Do you believe that a professor's political, religious, or sexual leanings influences the way he/she teaches the class?" 459 students said 'Yes,' while 190 said 'No.'

Linhart commented on the results. "One hundred students is one hundred too many. Even people who don't feel discriminated against feel it should be addressed."

BSG member Kendall Brown '06 agreed.

"If one person feels discriminated against, then we need to take action," she said.

*"I do think it is sometimes difficult for conservative students to speak up in class because they feel that they are in the minority."*

Paul Franco  
Professor of Government

## Students arrested by Brunswick Police for entering Lancaster House; court date set for December

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meanor offense. Murray was also charged with criminal mischief. The charge of criminal mischief was issued to Murray since it appeared to be he, not Lord, who did actual damage to the building in trying to find a way inside. This charge was determined based on interviews with the suspects.

According to Desjardins, the suspects were noticeably intoxicated at the time of arrest.

Lord and Murray's arraignment is scheduled for December 20 at the West Bath District Court, at which time they will be formally charged and asked to issue a plea.

Sentences for misdemeanor crimes can be up to one year in a county facility or a \$1,000 fine. The District Attorney's office was unavailable for comment.

"What we did was indeed stupid and illegal, yet our only intentions were to check out the house and take pictures," Lord said.

"It's a pretty cool house, with plenty of motion sensors, but breaking inside it wasn't worth all the trouble we got ourselves into."

"I think it's pretty ironic that the house serves as a training site for the K-9 unit dogs, which probably explains why they took 12 seconds to find us," Lord added.

"The dog was the scariest part," Murray agreed.

Desjardins could not confirm whether or not Lancaster House had been used to train K-9 units in the past. Brunswick Police Department does not employ a K-9 unit at this time, but it does "use many buildings on College property to do training," according to Desjardins.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Lord and Murray entered Lancaster House, located on Harpell Road, and were discovered by Security Officer David DeSchuiteneer at 3:30 a.m.

This was not the first time this year that Bowdoin students have

"We've had some arrests, some criminal summonses issued to

*"It's a pretty cool house, with plenty of motion sensors, but breaking inside it wasn't worth all the trouble we got ourselves into."*

Louis-David Lord '08

been taken into custody by the Brunswick Police Department.

you add alcohol, there's going to be trouble," he said.

## BSG declares 'Name Tag Day' a success

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

In an effort to foster warmer relations between students on campus, Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) distributed name tags to every student on campus yesterday. Students were encouraged to wear the tags and greet fellow students by first name.

Event organizer BSG Vice President for Student Affairs Carolyn Chu '07 said she thought the day was a success.

"I was really excited to see a lot of people wearing name tags," she said.

The day culminated in an evening gathering in the union with music, free pizza, and Dance Dance Revolution, a virtual reality dance game.

Chu recounted how a sociology professor—in the spirit of Name Tag Day—made everyone in the class sit next to someone they did not know in order to get to know them.

"That's what Name Tag Day is all about," said Chu.

BSG Vice President for Facilities William Donahoe '08 said he and other BSG members spent many hours making sure that the printed name tags got to the students.

Not everything about the event went according to plan.

Chu acknowledged that printing malfunctions resulted in about 50 people not receiving name tags.

BSG Representative Catrina



Sharon Benjamin for The Bowdoin Orient

Events in the Union rewarded students who wore their name tags yesterday.

Cartagena '07 praised the event despite not receiving a name tag herself.

"I think that BSG did a great job getting the name tags out to everyone. Most people got them, but I didn't," said Cartagena.

She said this was not a problem since BSG made available many opportunities for students to make their own name tag if they did not get one.

"I think it went well considering it was the first time," she said.

The original plan was also supply faculty and staff with name tags never materialized.

Alex Paul '06 told the Orient he thought the day was positive overall. While he noted that it was well advertised, he did comment that the time the name tags were distributed to the student mailboxes was not ideal.

"They were distributed the same day that they were to be worn which is a problem because people don't usually check their mail first thing in the morning," he said.

While he acknowledged room for improvement, BSG President Dery McKesson '07 remained upbeat about the day.

"Name Tag Day is life," he said.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

-Attendance: 25/26. Absent: Ted Lyons '06.

-BSG President DeRay McKesson has been having weekly phone conferences with other NESAC student government leaders.

-The IHC is revamping the College House interview process. The group interview will weigh more in the new system.

-The Committee of Academic Affairs released the results of the survey on bias in the classroom taken last week (see story, page 1).

-There will no longer be shuttle services offered on Sundays. There will be shuttles to Old Port and extended trips to Freeport on Saturday instead.

-Dudley Coe trial weekend hours begin tomorrow from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

-BSG continued to debate a new structure and potential constitutional reform.



# Students find their evenings conflicted

Evening lectures, movie screenings, team practices, and chorus rehearsals overlap

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

Evening conflicts are becoming more prevalent in the Bowdoin community—so prevalent that College officials say the conflicts may be interfering with education. Administrators are seeking solutions to the problem of conflicting responsibilities such as class review sessions, movie screenings, and tests are conflicting with musical rehearsals and sports practices.

"It is difficult to understand that out of 400 plus students per class, only a handful are able to pursue their passion because of the enormity of evening conflicts," Director of the Bowdoin Concert Band John Momeau said.

"We are as a society and as a college community leading much more scheduled lives," Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley said. "With less discretionary time available collectively, these conflicts arise more frequently."

Aislinn Curry '09, a member of the Bowdoin College Chorus, has experienced such evening conflicts.

"I had an art history session for my midterm at the same time as my chorus rehearsal," she said. "I was planning on going to chorus instead of the study session, until the last minute when I decided that passing art history was more important than missing rehearsal."

Momeau pointed to many conflicts that take away from band rehearsals.

"Every rehearsal meeting we have involves a conflict of some sort or another with tests, mandatory review sessions, film screenings, and lectures. Some nights I have only half, sometimes less, of the students who participate in the ensemble," he said.

"[Many] people ended up having to drop chorus because French movies coincided with rehearsal time," Curry said.

She also noted that members of the chorus are only permitted to miss two

rehearsals per term since the class is taken for credit.

Momeau agreed that students tend to drop their musical activities after finding out that they have other conflicts.

"By mid-semester, I end up with ten or fewer students," he said.

These evening conflicts have also affected athletics at Bowdoin. Alex Franceschi '09 had a psychology talk that met at the same time as her squash practice.

"I had late practice and a psych lecture, but I decided to go squash practice," she said. "If I had had early practice, I would have gone to the lecture."

Bowdoin Women's Varsity Basketball Coach Stefanie Pempers expressed distress regarding the busy schedule that Bowdoin athletes keep.

"Athletes, like other students, will sometimes choose to miss something academic, whether it's because of an extracurricular or because they don't think they need to go," she said. "They pay up to \$42,000 a year to make those decisions."

These evening conflicts are starting to be discussed among Bowdoin administrators and the Recording Committee.

"The Recording Committee is just beginning to address this. We have yet to focus on specific solutions," Bradley said.

There has been preliminary discussion about the option of keeping one night free from classes and academic commitments, much like Common Hour is unscheduled for all students on Fridays. Nothing, however, has yet to be determined.

"We have only just begun to think about the problem," Recording Committee Chair and Associate Professor of Music Jim McCalla said. "We are still at the stage of trying to sort things out to see what we're looking at and what various options might be."

Pempers proposes to have time in the afternoon that is solely dedicated to extracurricular activities.

"I think we're in desperate need of an 'extracurricular time block' from 4 to 7 p.m. A block of time where there can't be academic conflicts. Williams College did this," she said.

# Hunger banquet raises funds, awareness for global problem



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Tuesday night's Oxfam Hunger Banquet drew 30 students who learned about world hunger issues over a meal.

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

"Nine hundred people will go to bed hungry...40 to 60 million will die...a child dies every three seconds," Colby College sociology professor John White started snapping his fingers as he spoke, "One, two, three."

White was the keynote speaker at the annual Oxfam Hunger Banquet in Daggett Lounge on Tuesday night. The banquet, which addressed the problem of world hunger internationally, was organized by the student-run group Global Justice. The hunger banquet raised money for Oxfam, an organization that distributes food worldwide.

The banquet itself is run as a simulation of global inequalities. Some students who attended sat at tables

with soft tablecloths and were treated to a full meal of chicken, vegetables, pasta, and lemonade. The majority of the students, however, sat on the floor and ate rice and beans.

"This is a set-up of world situations," Global Justice member Amanda Escobar '07 said. "The floor represents the poor, the chairs are for the middle class, and the table

other historical horrors like the Holocaust."

"Everyone wondered why the world stood by—this issue is almost more obscene, more perverse than the Holocaust," he said.

To emphasize the actual impact of world hunger, White made an effort to make the students see the people behind the numbers.

"Imagine a brother, a father, a sister, a friend, going away forever. Now imagine another, and another, and another. Now imagine a million, now imagine a billion—that's as if the bomb that took off and hit Hiroshima goes off twice a week, exploding

"Thank you for not walking on by. This is the greatest moral crisis in the world right now."

John White  
Colby College Professor of Sociology

is for the rich."

Throughout the first part of the program, simulations and statistics were presented to the 30 students that attended the banquet.

"[This is] a program we get from Oxfam...it tells you what kind of food to serve, how the room should be set up," Sarah Close '06 said. Hundreds of identical banquets are held throughout the year, following the instructions provided by Oxfam International.

While this year's turnout was slightly smaller than in the past, the members of Global Justice were satisfied with the event as a whole.

"It's a really busy time of year, so it's hard to get a big crowd to these kinds of things," Kate Loomis '06 said.

Despite the modest turnout, those who attended seemed convinced of the importance of the banquet and the issues it dealt with.

"We are in a unique position of privilege," Loomis said. "It's our responsibility."

White has spoken twice at Bowdoin in the past and was a Bowdoin professor from 2002-2003. In his address, White spoke passionately about the subject of world hunger.

First White recognized the students willing to take the time out of their day to attend the banquet.

"Thank you for not walking on by. This is the greatest moral crisis in the world right now."

White compared world hunger to

silently," he said.

Once White established the importance of addressing world hunger, he spoke about taking action.

"If we were to take all the food produced and split it equally between everyone, everyone would be obese. In fact, one quarter of the population would die of obesity," he said.

"The 400 billionaires in the world have more wealth than the bottom 50 percent of the world. Six percent of the population, probably including all of us in this room, consumes 60 percent of the earth's resources and are responsible of 40 percent of its waste."

White also shared a personal experience of fasting for 22 days and losing a third of his body weight.

"Hunger hurts," he said. "I still don't know what it's like to be hungry like the people on the floor here."

Many students were moved by White's words.

"I think I agree with our speaker...about this being the biggest moral crisis," Mike Taylor '07 said. Junior Sonia Alam concurred. "I think he was really motivating, you need to present these statistics," she said.

After the speech, White told the Orient how hunger can be stopped in the United States.

"We need to re-establish welfare—it's been slashed—until 1980 we largely eliminated hunger...we stopped caring," he said.

# House passes Higher Education Act

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

At about 1:30 a.m. this morning, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a budget that may significantly cut college students' financial aid packages.

Despite House Democrats' opposition of the spending-cuts bill, the resolution passed by a vote of 217-215.

The bill, which would take effect in fiscal year 2006, must still pass through the Senate to become law.

According to Director of Student Aid Stephen Joyce, the proposed cuts would affect colleges in four ways.

First, Congress is considering moving the surplus from the Pell Grant program to other sectors of the government. If the money were reinvested back into the Pell Grant program, the maximum Pell Grant could be increased by \$260 to \$4,310.

"This would go a long way to making sure students could pay off their debts," Joyce said of the reinvestment scenario.

The proposed budget would also take federal funds that currently go to Northeast colleges and shift them to colleges in the South and Southwest, where the U.S. student population is growing. Joyce acknowledged that the move, called Fair Share, made sense, though it would hurt Bowdoin and

\$4,500 for second year students, he said.

Joyce said that a number of factors were combined to produce a need for cuts.

"The war in Iraq, the budget deficit, Hurricane Katrina, Bush's tax breaks—all these things put a strain on the feds," he said. "It leaves no room for extra money toward higher education."

Joyce said that the College has communicated with Maine's U.S. Senators Susan Collins and Olympia Snowe. He also noted that students have raised awareness of the cuts, with a campaign slogan of "Stop the Raid on Student Aid."

Student aid activist Sara Schlotterbeck '08 commented on the budget.

Calling the cuts a "really important issue," Schlotterbeck said that students need to defend aid themselves.

"If anyone is going to speak up about this, it has to be the students," she said. "Pay attention to the news. If you see something about proposed cuts in student aid, write or call your state representatives."

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Stephen Joyce  
Director of Student Aid

other Maine colleges.

The budget could also raise interest rates on lenders, making it more difficult for students to repay debt.

However, Joyce said that some good may come out of the new budget. The Stafford Loan limits for first and second year students may increase from \$2,625 to \$3,500 for first years and \$3,500 to

## New hockey arena will be located near Farley Field House to create a sense of athletic "unity"

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President for Planning and Institutional Advancement Scott Meiklejohn said.

One of the firms, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill (SOM), is one that has worked with Bowdoin in the past.

The second firm chosen by the college is Bear Mountain Design. The architect, Harold Mayhew, has constructed a number of rinks in the past.

"Mayhew is strong on refrigeration

and operation," Meiklejohn said, "and SOM will bring an understanding of the overall campus."

The budget for this endeavor is \$15 million. The money comes from gifts donated by alumni, graduated hockey players, parents, and organizations.

"We have seen a lot of activity after a number of slow months," Meiklejohn said. There are no exact numbers yet, but there is movement in a positive direction.

At the moment, Dayton Arena is

still functional, but it is only a matter of time before the facility begins to break down, according to Meiklejohn.

"There are problems at the Dayton site that can't be fixed. There isn't room for much expansion, and parking is scarce," he said.

The latter is a difficulty during the winter season when the campus draws a large number of people eager to see the hockey teams in action.

The new location of the arena will be near the Farley Field House. Building the arena next to the field house will create a sense of unity, since all athletic facilities will be located in the same general area. Also, there is more parking at the site of construction than there is at the rink's current location.


In addition to remedying the problems presented by the current arena, the new facilities will provide more options for students on campus.

There is more space at the new site, which will allow both varsity teams as well as other groups greater access to the ice.


Within the next three years, Dayton Arena will no longer exist. The space that Dayton now fills will be used for additional parking in the short term. Once the construction of the concert hall in the Curtis Pool building is complete, parking will be in higher demand, and the Dayton site might alleviate this problem.

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# Local residents continue to audit College courses in various subjects

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

With registration for next semester's courses underway, Brunswick residents will continue to have the opportunity to audit courses at the College.

Every semester, a small number of local residents opt to audit Bowdoin courses. According to the Office of Student Records, there are 39 people auditing courses this semester. No distinction is made, however, between local residents, students, or faculty members auditing the courses.

Director of Institutional Research and Registrar Christine Cote estimated that among these 39 auditors, approximately 25 are local residents.

Bowdoin's policy regarding course auditing is such that people wishing to audit courses only need to go through the Office of Student Records if they wish to have access to electronic services, such as e-reserves and library databases, for which they must pay a \$50 fee.

If the auditor is a friend of Bowdoin College, the fee is reduced to \$30, and fees are waived all together for Bowdoin faculty, staff, and students, and for Bates, Colby, USM, and high school students.

The more common approach taken, however, is contacting the professor directly and asking permission to audit the course, thus leaving conditions and restrictions of auditing up to the professor. Because this is not conducted

through the Office of Student Records, according to Cote, "The only ones the college is aware of are those through electronic services." Therefore, it is impossible to accurately gauge the actual number of students auditing courses at the college.

According to Associate Registrar Joanne Levesque, however, there is an upward trend in the number of Brunswick residents auditing through electronic services.

Though auditors may participate in courses, Bowdoin College neither grants them credit nor maintains a transcript of their course participation.

*"Most residents auditing classes are retirees and for them it's a personal education and they get to take interesting courses."*

Christine Cote  
Director of Institutional Research and Registrar

Bowdoin College's policy of allowing local residents to audit courses is not a new development, according to Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley.

"I have been here for ten years, and this policy has been in place all that time. I do not know when the practice of community auditors began, though I bet it's been going on for ages," he said.

Because the auditing process is left to the discretion of the professors and no slots in the courses are left open specifically for auditors, it does not generally "create a class size

problem," said Bradley.

Brandon Mazer '08 corroborates that the policy does not seem to interfere with the intimacy of courses.

"I have never been in a class with more than one auditor in it. Having that one extra person in the class does not make the class feel any larger. If the school were to start letting four or five or even more, then I could see that becoming a problem, but I do not feel that one person takes away from any intimacy that there is."

Just as professors themselves are given the option of whether or not to permit auditors, they also have the

option of encouraging or discouraging participation among them. While many students observe that auditors in their courses are present but do not participate, Department of Russian Chair Ray Miller said, "I prefer if people come that they are prepared, but I don't insist that they participate. In language classes, however, I do prefer that they participate in discussions."

In his experience, he continued, those auditing language courses tend to do the coursework. Bowdoin's policy of allowing local residents to audit courses has come to serve as an incentive for recent retirees to settle in Brunswick.

"It's good for community relations," Cote said. "Most residents auditing classes are retirees and for them it's a personal education and they get to take interesting courses. Some people can take language classes if they're traveling. The College is often an incentive to retire here."

Bill and Carol Freeman, Brunswick residents and Bowdoin auditors, are two such people who were drawn to retiring in Brunswick because of the educational opportunity that the college provides for them. The Freemans are auditing Dostoevsky or Tolstoy with Professor Ray Miller and it is the second course they have audited at the College.

"It's great to take the courses without the pressure of tests and papers," Bill Freeman '56 said. "We're filling in the gaps in our education. These are courses I should have taken when I was here."

## Dudley Coe Health Center will be open during weekend brunch hours



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The health center will be open weekends 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. until Spring Break.

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will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

"We're hoping these will work for students and will be easy to remember, because they're similar to the hours the dining halls offer weekend brunch," Benson said.

Dudley Coe is implementing weekend hours on a trial basis to gauge student response. The health center staff will be compiling data on how many students come on the weekends, when health concerns seem to be most prevalent, and which needs Dudley Coe cannot address.

"Our goal is to understand as clearly as possible what type and scale of services are most needed by students over the weekends and to determine how best to meet those needs," Benson said.

Bowdoin Women's Association (BWA) Co-Chair Alison Driver '08 sees the trial period as a success for many groups on campus. "The trial period is an excellent start. Over the past few years, many groups attempted to expand health center hours to the weekend, and no one has gotten this far."

"Although the trial is no guarantee

that we will have permanent weekend hours, it is a rational plan to assess the true need and demand for weekend services," she said.

"If the trial reveals that students won't use the health center enough on the weekends to justify keeping it open, BWA will work to find other ways to help students access important health services like emergency contra-

ception during the weekend," Driver added.

The cost of the new hours will be minimal at \$200 per weekend. Funding for the extended hours will come from Dudley Coe's operating budget.

"Operating weekend hours from now until spring break will only cost \$2,000, overwhelmingly less than what the SAFC (Student Activities Fee Committee) recently gave the College Republicans to bring a speaker, or than what ResLife spent to bring a mechanical bull," BWA Co-Chair Heather Day '06 said.

"In this light, the College can certainly afford to provide services to students whose health needs are immediate and pressing, and to insure that students have immediate access to rape counseling, emergency contraception, and antibiotics, to name a few," she said.

*"The trial period is an excellent start."*

Alison Driver '08  
BWA Co-Chair

## 'NBC Nightly News' to interview Cornell du Houx '06

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viewed Cornell du Houx three times by telephone, and he has received some preparation as well.

"I've been in touch with Bowdoin's communications office to discuss ways to create a positive message," Cornell du Houx said.

News of Cornell du Houx's deployment has not always been cast in a positive light.

In comments widely reprinted in Maine media and Internet blogs, College Republicans National Secretary Dan Schubert '06 questioned Cornell du Houx's "logic and motivation" for serving. After first standing by his comments, Schubert later apologized in a letter to the Orient.

The Orient learned yesterday that the Office of Communications and Public Affairs was set to publish long-planned interviews with Cornell du Houx and Schubert in the fall issue of Bowdoin Magazine, but decided to pull them at the last minute. The College's alumni and parent publication reaches over 24,000 people.

The interviews initially appeared on the magazine's web site, but were removed from the site and pulled from the magazine before the magazine went to print.

Vice President for Communications and Public Affairs Scott Hood said in a phone interview late Thursday evening, "It was a decision made by the editor," not any administration officials.

"President Mills was told that the magazine was pulling it. He did not tell anybody to do anything," he said.

At press time, the old version of the publication with the interviews could still be found and downloaded via Bowdoin's search engine. In that version, an editor's note mentions that Cornell du Houx learned of his deployment shortly before the magazine's press time. Alix Roy '07 conducted the interviews with the two students before Schubert's remarks emerged.

Magazine Editor Alison Bernie said the piece, which contains a photo of the two students standing back to back, "really set them up

one-against-the-other."

"It suggested a kind of head-to-head debate," Bernie said, and was no longer a good idea.

"It wasn't in the interest of the College to give more attention to what had deteriorated into an acrimonious relationship," Hood said, noting that additional coverage is not in the students' interests.

As for the television coverage, this is not the first time that Bowdoin has been featured on NBC in recent years. Katie Couric, host of the "Today" broadcast, conducted numerous interviews with James Miller when he was Bowdoin's dean of admissions. Last year, a crew from MTV visited the College to interview students about sexual habits.

Cornell du Houx said he's not necessarily excited about the upcoming television interviews, but said, "It's beneficial because it highlights the fact that the College Democrats and the Democratic Party support the troops."

Cornell du Houx will leave for his deployment less than two weeks from today—on December 1.

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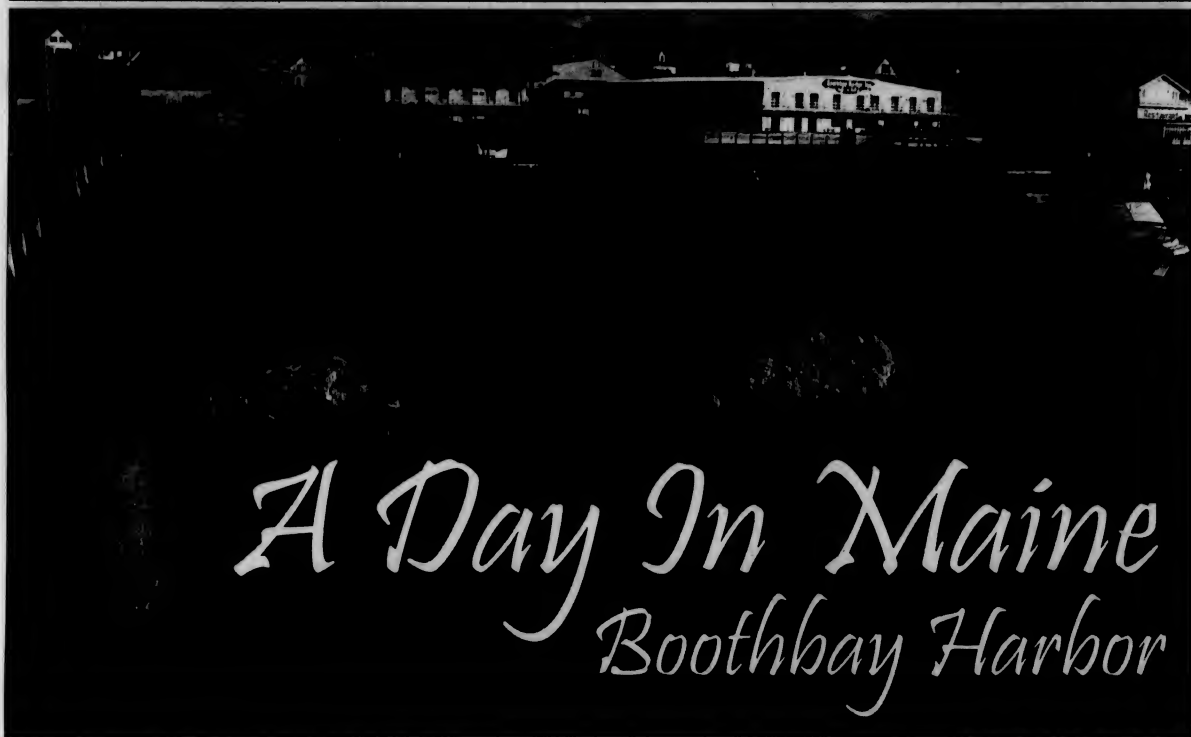
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## A Day In Maine Boothbay Harbor

by Emily Gabranski  
CONTRIBUTOR

As temperatures drop and the daylight hours wane, many coastal towns in Maine close their doors.

Cheerful signs left on their darkened doors read, "See you in May!"

In contrast are the signs in the windows of Boothbay Harbor

shops, which read "See you at Early Bird!" in reference to the town's annual celebration of winter's arrival.

The Early Bird Sale and Pajama Party serve as an unofficial kickoff of the holiday season in Boothbay Harbor. Each year, on the Saturday before the Thursday of Thanksgiving, the shops of this summertime hot spot offer sales and special

refreshments from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. In addition to universal reductions on merchandise, many stores give additional discounts to shoppers wearing pajamas and sleepwear.

For those less interested in shopping in pajamas, the area boasts an array of activities both indoors and outside.

More than 20 art studios and galleries are open year-round for

visitors to enjoy. Exhibited art forms range from kiln-fired glass to woodblock prints to watercolor paintings.

People might also choose to visit Boothbay Harbor for a night of dining and theater.

During the fall and winter, dining choices are available at more than 15 restaurants and include Thai cuisine, seafood, fine dining, and pub food.

Emily Gabranski for The Bowdoin Orient

The Opera House at Boothbay Harbor plans events throughout the year, including the 2005 Holiday Festival of Trees in December, and The Overboard Players' presentation of *The Audition* on November 26 and 27.

Weather permitting, the Boothbay Region Land Trust offers spectacular walking and hiking trails with beautiful views of the ocean and forest wildlife. Visitors of the area can enjoy 1,300 acres of preserved land in various settings, but all equal in their beauty.

The Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens also provide a unique experience of Maine flora in a controlled setting. The organization offers classes and lectures throughout the year.

Because of the unpredictability of the weather during the late fall and winter, Boothbay Harbor's chamber of commerce works hard to attract visitors to an area that is traditionally a "summer" town.

Following the Early Bird Sale, the annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony occurs on November 26.

The annual Harbor Lights occurs on December 3, featuring traditional Christmas celebrations, the climax of which is the less traditional—but still inspirational and beautiful—lighted boat parade.

Townpeople testify that the reflection of Christmas lights on the ocean is the most beautiful part of the holiday season.

As with the Lighted Boat Parade, waning daylight only serves to enhance the atmosphere in Boothbay Harbor, encouraging activity and enjoyment of the beautiful late fall season in Down East Maine.

## Dr. Jeff: Friend who cuts needs help

Ask Dr. Jeff

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*Dear Dr. Jeff: A friend of mine cuts her arms. She says she's not suicidal or anything, but she can't stop doing it. I'm getting a little freaked out by it. -P.E.B*

Dear P.E.B.: Your concern about your friend is understandable. She is clearly struggling with some inner turmoil and needs help.

Cutting is one of the more common forms of intentional self-injury. It is estimated that over one percent of the population are self-injurers, primarily adolescents and young adults, and predominantly young women. The true prevalence of this behavior is likely higher, though.

Many who injure themselves try to keep it secret, because they feel ashamed or guilty about their behavior. They try to hide scars with clothing, and if discovered, make up explanations for the

injuries ("cat scratches" are among the most common).

Self-injurers are not trying to kill themselves. They inflict harm on themselves to bring relief from some kind of inner distress. Physical pain is used as a way to try to escape emotional pain. Many self-injurers report a great sense of calm and relief after hurting themselves.

Self-injurers tend to be perfectionists, unable to handle intense feelings, unable to express their emotions verbally, and can at times feel overwhelmed by dislike for themselves or their bodies. They may turn to self-injury as a way to relieve intense anger, sadness, or emotional pain, to express their emotions and pain, to try to gain a sense of control of themselves and their lives, or to punish themselves.

Experts point out that self-injurers commonly struggle with low self-esteem and feelings of invalidation.

They may have been taught from an early age that their ideas about things were wrong or bad. They may have been left feeling numb, unreal, so dead inside that seeing their own blood when they cut themselves is their only way

to feel real, to feel alive.

Many self-injurers come from broken homes, from alcoholic homes, or from families where parents were emotionally absent. One half to two-thirds of self-injurers also struggle with disordered eating.

Nearly 90 percent are survivors of sexual or physical abuse.

Your friend, P.E.B., needs help for a number of reasons. She must be struggling with her own very significant issues and pain and would benefit from professional help and support. Suggest to her that the two of you make an appointment at the Counseling Center or talk to someone at the Health Center or Res Life, if those options seem less threatening. Tell her how concerned you are, how much you care about her pain, how you want to help her get help.

Although your friend's cutting does not represent a desire to take her own life, it can nonetheless be very dangerous. A cut can go too deep, or involve an unseen artery, tendon, or nerve. An unintended wound can become infected.

There are a large number of helpful web sites to consult about self-injury. Among them, S.A.F.E.

Alternatives ("Self-Abuse Finally Ends") at [www.selfinjury.com](http://www.selfinjury.com) includes a good deal of information about various aspects of self-injury, including treatment options and referrals, books, audio, and video resources. Deb Martinson's "Secret Shame (Self-Injury Information and Support)" web site ([www.palace.net/~llama/self-injury](http://www.palace.net/~llama/self-injury)) is equally comprehensive and more personal. Colleen Thompson's "Mirror, Mirror" web site ([www.mirror-mirror.org/selfinj.htm](http://www.mirror-mirror.org/selfinj.htm)) explores various aspects of eating disorders, including relationships between eating disorders and self-injury.

Acts of self-injury often bring out uncomfortable and negative feelings in others, especially friends and care-givers. It is sometimes hard to remember that the self-injurer is only trying to cope with her or his own pain and inner turmoil, not to hurt or frustrate others. What the self-injurer needs most from us all, is care and support and help finding help. You're on the right track, P.E.B.

Be well!

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## ...to run a marathon in 3 hours

I took a bus to the actual starting line and warmed up. I had this super-excited feeling. Seeing all those people around you—the line for the bathroom was like 50 deep—was really intense. It was just super-exhilarating that you're part of this huge crowd about to do this pretty incredible event.

The weather was perfect, about 77 degrees. It was a great day to run.

I did the whole marathon by myself—no running buddy. At one point though, I met this guy from Iowa and just started chatting with him. We were going at about the same pace so I stuck with him for four or five miles and we just talked and then I took off.

Running the marathon, it's almost a surreal feeling. You get to a certain point where you don't actually feel like you're running anymore.

It's kind of like mind-body disassociation: you're just kind of cruising along in your own mind but your body is just...just going.

At about 23 miles I hit the "wall." I felt my body slow down and I started to feel the lactic acid in my muscles.

You know, you want to go faster and you're telling your legs to go faster but they don't respond to your mind's requests.

You're just kind of cruising along and you know you just have to finish and your legs just



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keep turning over in this way in which you don't exactly know how they're doing it, but you know if you stop they're not going to do it anymore. So you just have to keep running until you finish.

Coming down the final stretch you pick up your pace. You see all the people. You see the finish line. You wonder what your time is. Mostly though you just want to run as fast as you can to that finish line and get the pain over with. Because it definitely hurts after 26 miles.

After the marathon, I had to go meet my parents but the place where you can meet people is three and a half blocks from the finish line. You know, the way they have set it up, it is the very cruelest thing

ever, basically.

You run 26 miles and then you stop and your legs just shut down on you.

Then you have to walk three and a

place, I tried to sit down but my quads were so tight I couldn't actually bend over to sit down. So I just stood there for a while and then gradually eased myself to the ground.

Afterwards, I went back to the hotel, ate dinner with my parents and wrote a paper that night. It was on political philosophy and it was worst paper I've ever written.

The thing is, anyone can run the marathon. You've just got to put your mind to it. If you're willing to put in the time and effort, you can totally do it if it's of interest to you.

Truthfully though, running the marathon, it's not that big of a deal.

—Oliver Cunningham '08 as told to Joshua Miller.

## ...to find a man murdered

My junior year of high school, I was 17, and I rode for my township's ambulance squad. One day, we got a call from the dispatcher: "unconscious male, bleeding from the face." We get there and there are cop cars everywhere and it's a scene.

It was in an office building, you could see through the glass—it was a glass wall—and the man was just sitting in an office chair leaning back, with his head back. There was a bloody spot on his forehead: he had a hole in his head.

It was the only homicide in my town in ten years and I didn't really know what to think. My mind was just blank at the time—I was 17. I was like, wow, that guy's dead.

I kept expecting him to move or something because when you see people that are asleep, they'll at least move. When they're dead, they're obviously not moving at all.

His eyes were open and he was just kinda' blankly staring backwards.

His family was there.

The guy was very obviously dead, and since it was a crime scene, the cops didn't

let us touch anything.

They didn't want us to add potential fingerprints or take away potential evidence so they didn't even let us touch the guy.

I was really nervous at the time—and the best way to handle it is to just laugh it off. I mean, that's sick, but EMTs have a dark humor.

We just started making jokes about other stuff. It looked a little bit unprofessional for about two seconds because the family was there. The guy's dead and we're making jokes.

I started see more stuff like this as the years went on, and you really just got to laugh it off.

—Akira Shishido '08 as told to Joshua Miller.

## ...to be eaten by a grouper fish (almost)

You know, I've never had any close calls with technical stuff, with scientific stuff. I've never had any problems running low on air. I've witnessed stuff like that, where they have been problems with people in the water with me, but I've never been a victim of those kinds of problems myself.

I've been in the water when some guy ran out of air. It wasn't a big deal though because the diving instructor gave him his spare hose—you always have two hoses on them at all times.

One of the scariest things that's ever happened to me scuba diving was during a drift dive. It's called a drift dive because there's a strong current. The way it works is one person, who leads the dive, brings a big orange inflatable float in their

pocket. You just jump in water, you don't even kick, because it's like a conveyor belt, you just go along with the current. When you're finished, the leader takes out the float, inflates it, and it shoots up to the surface. The boat

could be in trouble.

I was 14 years old and I was just learning to look for small things—little creatures in the coral and stuff like that. So I was not really paying attention to people around me because I was looking at the coral.

Suddenly, I heard the loud metallic rapping—which is what people do they want to get your attention when you're diving—someone was banging a carabiner against their tank. And I looked up and the guy, the leader, was pointing dead ahead. I looked in front of me and about two inches from my face was a 120-pound grouper camouflaged into the coral.

If you've ever seen a grouper feed, they open their mouths really wide and suck all the water

through their body and let in parasite fish to clean them and stuff like that.

So this grouper was like five feet long and it was feeding and my head was right there. I grabbed onto a rock, steadied myself, but I could feel him trying to suck my head in.

I mean, he couldn't have swallowed me, or fit my whole head in his mouth, but it would have been awful.

It would have been awful to have a 120-pound grouper stuck to my head.

That was pretty scary.

—Michael Glantz '08 as told to Joshua Miller.

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Have you ever done something extraordinary or unusual? Or has something amazing or bizarre happen to you? Can you talk about it with a modicum of eloquence?

Your experience could be on the next "How it Feels..." page.

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## Sharif '06 brings blues to Wish Theater



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Khalil Sharif '06 performed blues songs and original poems in Wish Theater on Wednesday night. He was accompanied by musicians Jamil Wyne '08, Casey Latter '09, Jack Clancy '07, and Bernardo Guzman '08.

## Pizzarelli to perform tribute to jazz icons

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

John Pizzarelli, performing in a quartet at Kresge Auditorium tonight at 7:30 p.m., is no small fish in the sea of great jazz musicians. Bowdoin lured Pizzarelli to Bowdoin by promising him a "full appreciative audience," according to the Music Department's concert, budget and equipment manager Delmar Small.

"The setting is informal," said Small. "This is a performance that he can just enjoy."

Having traveled the world for the last 25 years performing and recording music as a jazz singer/guitarist, Pizzarelli has left his mark as a leading interpreter of the great American songbook. The songs in his repertoire harken back to an earlier era, and are written by the likes of Johnny Mercer, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin, and Henry Mancini, and originally sung by Ella Fitzgerald, Bing Crosby, and Sarah Vaughn, among others. Pizzarelli has revived these classics, interpreting them in an original fashion and increasing their availability to a new generation of listeners.

Pizzarelli began playing the guitar at the age of six, following in the footsteps of his father, guitar legend Bucky Pizzarelli. Young John began to play with his father at the age of 20 and soon struck out on his own.

Professor James McCalla, who is currently teaching a course on the history of jazz, suggested Pizzarelli to the Bowdoin Music Department.

"We make an effort to coordinate concerts and courses when we can," said Small.

McCalla heard Pizzarelli on a satellite radio station and took steps to bring him to Bowdoin.

"Every fall we try to bring in a major jazz performer," said McCalla. "It's been a long time since we had a jazz singer/guitarist."

Pizzarelli made a name for himself by singing classics and late-night ballads that infused old styles with innovative improvisation. The musician has made the music of the Beatles and James Taylor his own, as well as that of Frank Sinatra and George Gershwin. His allure stems from this combination of classic elements and creative flair.

"His music appeals to a broad spectrum. The concert is sold out, which I am very happy to see," said McCalla.

In March 2005, Pizzarelli released the album *Knowing You*, which pays homage to many of the musicians and songwriters he has met during the course of his career. It will be on sale in the lobby tonight.

Performing alongside Pizzarelli will be Tony Monte on piano, Martin Pizzarelli on bass, and Tony Tedesco on the drums.

## Art Union unites students, styles

by Frances Killea  
STAFF WRITER

Students and faculty may recall seeing bright patches of color around the campus throughout the fall, patches of color even more ephemeral than the New England foliage. Lately, steps and structures from Coles Tower to Moulton Union sport coats of sidewalk chalk, jumping out from the brick and cement around them. Popping up overnight and disappearing with the rain, the quilted colorings are temporary installations and just one of the projects the new campus Art Union has in store for the year.

This year, when seniors Carl Klimt and Kerry O'Connor and junior Honora Dunham noticed what Klimt calls "a severe lack of art presence around the campus," they decided to add some color themselves. After speaking to drawing and painting Professor Mark Wethli about an Art Club charter, Klimt, O'Connor and Dunham began inviting people to join, looking for individuals who could help them "harness the student ambition around campus" to reinvent art at Bowdoin.

The Art Union just recently became official, although members chalked weeks before funding was approved. Now that the club has college funding, it can carry out more and more of the ideas that are constantly popping into students' heads. Besides funding the purchase of supplies, money can be used to pay for Art Union sponsored art shows. Last week's opening in the V.A.C. was one such event.

Dunham, Klimt and O'Connor joined artistic forces for Art Union's first show, which features mixing paintings, drawings, textiles, and film for a diverse exhibit of recent work. Dunham's life-size figures currently occupy one side of the gallery: a series

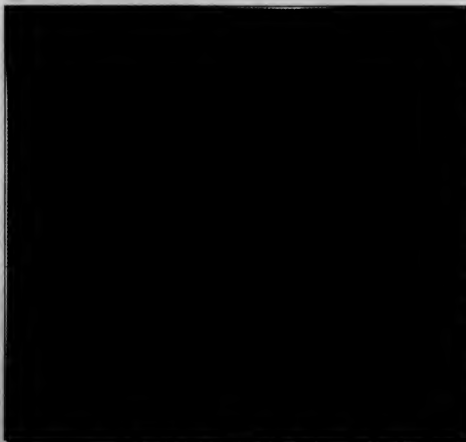
of colored outlines of casual poses in casual clothing, but with the addition of elaborately decorated skulls topping the bodies. On the opposite side, O'Connor's brightly colored and uniquely styled paintings grab attention, and Klimt's small wood paintings and clusters of tiny, shapely pillows dapple the wall with detail.

At the opening, Klimt used the Beam classroom to show an original short film of tiny, endearing characters made of paper clips, cardboard, and clay. He describes his artwork as "based in an interest of toys, colours, and a Nintendo aesthetic; specifically the original Nintendo in that I love the pixelated forms and simplified movements. From this aesthetic I then create a world with seemingly recognizable

objects that allude to maybe being identifiable but then strangely are not."

Expectations of the opening were nonexistent because it was Art Union's first big project and no one knew what to expect. A table full of bread, fruit, cheese, wine, and beer was provided as well as numerous boxes of sidewalk chalk. Attendees took full advantage of chalk and covered the bricks in front of the VAC with color throughout the two-hour event.

"We were really hoping that everyone would see their own idea of potential in this opening," said Klimt. "That is to say that we're hoping to create dreams and imaginations of what other people would like to create on this campus. All there needs to be is a sense of ambition."



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The Art Union's first exhibit, featuring the work of Carl Klimt '06, Kerry O'Connor '06, and Honora Dunham '07 opened last Friday.

## Mock 'n' rollers bring Bowie to Bowdoin

by Dan Hackett  
ORIENT STAFF

Nobody knows Bowie like David Brighten, widely considered the world's best impersonator of the eclectic rock-and-roll superstar. Nobody, that is, except for Krystle Allen '08, who has spent the past two months raising \$10,000 dollars to bring Brighten to campus. Tonight students can live the David Bowie experience in all of its theatrical glory at a free show to benefit the Red Cross, starting at 8:00 p.m. in the David Saul Smith Union.

"What Krystle has done is really quite amazing," said Director of Student Activities Allen Delong, who worked with Krystle Allen throughout the process. "When you think about how much money she raised in such a short time, it's really quite a remarkable feat," Delong said.

A Bowie fan since seeing the film *Labyrinth* at age 5, Allen's passion for all things Bowie has hardened in recent years, she said. With an extensive knowledge of Bowie's catalogue and a couple of live shows under her belt, Allen aspired to bring Brighten to Bowdoin for a benefit concert. Allen approached the Bowdoin Film Society, of which she is a member, who agreed to sponsor the event.

Allen and the Film Society then approached the Student Activities Fee Committee (SAFC), requesting \$10,000 to run the event. According to student chair Joseph Brazzi '06, the SAFC "had concerns as to the relevance of this [event] to their mission and required reps from the film society to explain how this was in line with their charter."

Brazzi said that the Film Society felt so strongly about the event that they were willing to refrain from requesting funds for the remainder of the year. The SAFC recognized that "an event of this nature has not been on campus in recent memory and could potentially engage the campus community," Brazzi said.

To gauge student interest, the SAFC asked the Film Society to raise half of the requested funding—\$5,000—from other sources on campus, Brazzi said. Allen, who single-handedly organized the event, was distraught by the news.

"I think I cried for hours," Allen admitted. "I put a lot into it and it's hard. It's not that I wasn't happy with what they gave me, because they gave me a lot. It's just hard to be so far from your goal," Allen said.

Nonetheless, Allen spent the following month petitioning clubs,

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## A guide to standing out for good reasons



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This is an example of standing out in an unfortunate way.

by Vanessa Kitchen and  
Monica Ruzicka  
STAFF WRITER

Have you ever walked past a fellow student, and thought, "She/he definitely dressed in the dark this morning?" Sometimes you give points for creativity, because hey, at least that person tried something different. After all, you can't deny that the quad could double as a holding ground for Ralph Lauren factory exports. Regardless, there is a fine line between creative and, well, just plain bad fashion. The student pictured here? It's hard to decide where to start.

First, the coat: good choice regarding style (corduroy, shearing-lined, leather detail), but not cut or size. It's nice to have a big coat for the winter, but not one that could fit three people inside. There are blankets for that. To find the perfect fit, make sure that the sleeves fall about an inch over your wrist so as to prevent the wind from nipping your skin. Also, when buttoned over a sweater the coat should be comfortably snug, not baggy, but also not suffocatingly small. No one wants to be the fat guy in the little coat.

Sometimes less is more, but that doesn't apply to shirts in the winter. You know a shirt is too small when it creeps above your belly button, cuts into your armpits, and bears more cleavage than a plumber's crack. Not only is the shirt too tight, it usually sports one of those false "cutesy" claims. There was a reason for retiring your "As if!" shirt after sixth grade. "Mrs. Federline?" Please, you're not fooling anyone. Granted, you're probably not trying to convince people that you're Britney, but there's really no excuse for its purchase. Not "Team Aniston/Jolie" or "Juicy Drama Queen" either. Not even if you were on a 2:30 a.m., blacked-out, online shopping spree.

We're probably going to offend a lot of people with this one, but gauchos? Come on. A cross between a billowy skirt and yoga pants? That's one of those trends made for fall,

lanky New York City girls who have the fashion know-how to pull them off with pumps or high boots. Let us bring you back to earth. We're in Brunswick, Maine. Gauchos—those tight, wide-leg calf-length pants that are invading the campus—are not the most flattering fashion statement. Just assume that they're not made for you.

Speaking of which, if you're going to wear tight pants, V.P.L. alert. For those of you unfamiliar with fashion jargon, that's "visible panty lines." Cringe. Mirrors are great tools—use them! If you do a three-quarter turn and see that there is a pronounced line between butt and thigh (we're not talking about one resulting from buns of steel), then for dignity's sake, please consider the people who walk behind you. Bikini-style panties are comfortable, but the bottom line is, if you're going to wear tight pants, even to the gym, make the sacrifice. Everyone has her own preference regarding the alternatives, but some options to try are thongs, seamless boy shorts, and tangas. One note about the thong: instead of the mirror test, do the bend test. Displaying your thong to the person sitting behind you? Not hot.

Another "not hot" trend around campus these days concerns footwear, namely crocs. These are blatantly shower shoes. How else can you explain them? Now, if these shoes were void of holes, there might be some rationale behind their use...rain, snow, etc. Are the holes for ventilation? After all, rubber shoes aren't the most breathable footwear. One thing is certain: they're not constructed for aesthetics—yikes! No matter how "super comfortable" they are, leave them in the shower, locker room, or the privacy of your dorm.

We know not every day at Bowdoin is a fashion show, and there's nothing wrong with being comfortable and having your own style. But make use of the full length mirror and light bulb in your room—we're not advocating narcissism, but a little added consideration can do wonders for style.

## Murrows's courage brought to life



by Gabe  
Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

"This weapon of television could be useful," once said the real Edward R. Murrow, broadcast journalist for CBS during the McCarthy era. "Stonewall Jackson, who knew something about the use of weapons, is reported to have said, 'When war comes, you must draw the sword and throw away the scabbard.'"

The trouble with television is that it is rusting in the scabbard during a battle for survival.

In *Good Night, and Good Luck*, George Clooney's dramatization of Murrow's crusade against Senator Joseph McCarthy and the exploitation of fear during the Red Scare, such a sword is daringly drawn, along with a fair amount of political blood. Elegantly shot under the confines of a black and white palette and anchored by a pure-to-the-bone performance from David Straitharn, Clooney's directorial debut rings true as both a capsule of time as well as ethics, chronicling the infancy of broadcast media and its potential for fomenting change.

*Good Night, and Good Luck*'s primary asset is its strong sense of orbital structure. Taking place almost entirely within a darkened television studio, the hustle and bustle of the production crew recalls the single mindedness of a cellular being. Assistants scuttle around, soundmen swing booms, and techies play hot potato with split reels, all for a precious 30-minute spot of airtime. For all their preparation, how-

ever, being ready for the show and actually shooting it are entirely different creatures. When the cameras start to roll, all the hard work is placed in the capable hands of one man, Edward Murrow, who seems born to wring every last drop of eloquence from the nightly report.

Not only does Murrow serve as the core of a network solar system, he also becomes a channel for the fears and concerns of his team members, who are, in fact, reasonable,

Playing [Edward Murrow] as both a soft-spoken intellectual and an outspoken political investigator, Straitharn single-handedly constructs the dramatic tide of the film with equal part gravitas and gravity.

everyday citizens. As Murrow tests the waters with increasingly pointed jabs at McCarthy, he is giving a voice to his politically conscious friends and coworkers, who, like the audience, sit silently, hanging on every one of Murrow's courageous words. It is fitting that the screening room is consistently filled with cigarette smoke, since a fire is being kindled somewhere off screen, perhaps within the minds of these simple men who are inclined to question the state of justice in their time, yet doubt their capability to do so. Murrow's solemn television personality, dripping with combustible conviction, offers just the spark that they and other dissenters across the country need to light the way.

Not enough can be said about Straitharn's disciplined portrayal of Murrow. Playing the reporter as both a soft-spoken intellectual and an out-

spoken political investigator, Straitharn single-handedly constructs the dramatic tide of the film with equal part gravitas and gravity. Half contemplative and half executive, Straitharn's Murrow is at least all muckraker—and a consistent smoker. When he sits quietly, deeply inhaling to help contemplate his nightly piece, the audience knows what marvelously brave journalism awaits them. When the countdown to live broadcasting begins, Murrow lets the smoke trickle through his nostrils, and he's a bull at the gates.

Clooney makes expert use of the actual archival footage of McCarthy during his investigatory hearings and a televised rebuttal to one of Murrow's shows. With a headlong dive into an almost documentary

style, it's certainly possible to feel a bit left out by the film's lack of historical context. Yet it's a price to pay for a gloriously contained story, one that holds the purity of its personalities above political implications. Indeed, perhaps the greatest indictment of McCarthy here is not witnessing his hysterical tirades, but hearing him cling to false modesty. Repeatedly during his rebuttal, McCarthy insists that he and Murrow, as individuals and media caricatures, are of no real consequence within the broader scheme of the struggles they represent. *Good Night, and Good Luck* and Murrow himself reply that indeed, strong personalities are the keystones of a healthy and constructive media, and that those that dare rush the shores of scrutiny are, those that, when the sound bottoms out and the cameras pan, hold our breath and our hearts.

## Maine classics: ski lager beats lobster ale



by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

BELFAST BAY LOBSTER ALE (\$7.99 for a six-pack at Uncle Tom's)

This Maine classic is the first American red ale I have reviewed so far this year. Presenting itself with a catchy, cliché Maine label, this Lobster Ale looks as though it were bottled right on the lobster boat, with a tasteful blend of the industry's characteristic reds and whites. The pour was a smooth one—very little head and a brilliant red hue that almost made me put on sunglasses when the glass was held up to light. Upon first taste, I was instantly surprised by the body of this beer. It had a texture akin to that of a golden ale but without the aftertaste—like a dry, pale ale.

I sensed a small bite of bitterness in the Lobster Ale, perhaps the residual aggression left over from de-clawing so many of the sea creatures during the production of the brew. After finishing the beer, I realized that although this ale was wonderfully crafted, red ales are not my cup of tea. They aren't as full-bodied in taste as the dark lagers. *My Scores: Taste: 2.8, Partyability: 1.8, Benefit/Cost: 2.3.*

SUNDAY RIVER LAGER (\$8.25 for a six-pack at Uncle Tom's)

Who would have thought that a ski resort in Maine would have its own brewing company? It is an interesting concept, driving me to indulge in a bottle of the export-style lager. Probably the most attractive thing about this beer, besides the name, is the Jefferson Airplane/Grateful Dead style color scheme, articulated by the swirling letters and tie-dyed appearance of its background. Even if you don't end up liking this beer, at least you can casually display the empty bottle around your room so that you look like you are somewhat cool. The color of this brew is much the same as other lagers, though it seems to have more of a golden, honey-like tint than others I have tried in weeks past. When it passed my lips and continued down my throat, I noticed the taste of the lager was a bit thin, much the way Rolling Rock has a definitive taste but doesn't overwhelm you or your taste buds. I could see this being a terrific après ski companion, perhaps in the months when spring skiing is in abundance (e.g. the spring). Sunday River has a few other beers that I imagine are worth trying; their labels are even more awesome than this lager's, which is the primary reason that I am interested in trying them. *My Scores: Taste: 3.7, Partyability: 4, Benefit/Cost: 3.6.*



## Space Oddity a tribute to Bowie

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organizations, social houses, and student government for funding. She procured money from the Mellon Fund, every class government, Ladd, Quinby, and Macmillan houses, and the A-board.

"What does this tell us?" Brazzi asks. "It tells us there's a substantial contingent of people who want to see this event happen and are willing to pay to make it happen. The SAFC is here to fund events students want to see." Affirmed by student interest, the SAFC contributed the remaining \$5,000.

Still Allen was short of her goal, left with no money to promote the event. Allen traveled to local business to scrape together the remaining funds, and has since distributed advertising packets to publicize tonight's show.

"It will be tantamount to seeing the real Bowie," Allen said, clarifying. "Not the Bowie today but the Bowie of 1972, '74, '86." Fans will be treated to these three distinct Bowie personas, Allen said, adding, "Bowie lived and became these personas, to the point where he could not separate himself from them."

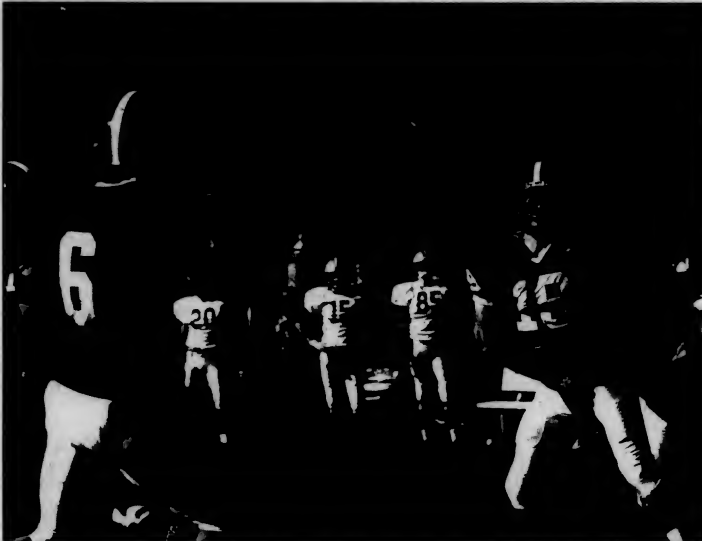
The mock-rocker David Brighten "is the closest living thing in resemblance to Bowie," Allen stated. "If you're familiar with Bowie, you'll be fooled. If you're not, it's like you're seeing him."

Kariyushi Rao '07 will open with a set of acoustic Bowie covers. A reception with the artist will be held at Ladd house following the show.



# SPORTS

## Football falls to Colby for seventh straight season



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Quarterback Ricky Leclerc '06 throws to wide receiver Nick Tomaino '08 during Saturday's game against Colby.

by Chris Bucci  
STAFF WRITER

The football team finished its rags to riches season with a loss to Colby at home. The Bears got on the board first with a field goal early in the first quarter, but the Colby running game proved to be too much for the Bears to handle as they fell 28-3.

The bright spot for the Polar Bears was junior wideout Doug Johnson's performance. He tied the school record with 11 receptions for 123 yards.

Despite the loss, the Bears have plenty to be proud of. Bowdoin's 6-2 foities the team for third with Middlebury behind Trinity (8-0) and Colby (7-1). It is their best season since 1970.

The Bears won more games this season than in the last six combined.

Individual accomplishments were found on both sides of the ball as several Polar Bears had career years that will likely garner All-Conference accolades.

Lamont White '08 led the league in pass breakups with 12. His field vision and athleticism will make him a lockdown defender for years to come. Hard hitting John Regan '07 led the league in forced fumbles with four. His solid play, despite shoulder

injuries, kept the Polar Bear strong. He and White tied for the second most interceptions this season with three.

Co-captain Shaun Kezer '06 was second in the league with 87 tackles. Dave Donahue '07 was fourth with 83, and Brendan Murphy '07 was seventh with 74.

Murphy was one of the most respected corners in the league. After intercepting the first pass thrown his way, he saw little action in the air, as coaches feared throwing to his side. Being the only defensive back in the league in the top 19 in tackles shows how important Murphy was to the team.

Kezer predicts even more success for the Bears in the future. "Lamont and Brendan are so good that teams aren't going to be able to pass on us. With [juniors] Dylan Brix, Mike Vitousek, Dave Donahue, and John Regan coming back, I think they can be better than we were this year."

The offense wasn't without its stars this year either.

Jeff Nolin '06 had a dominant year proving to be one of the best wideouts in the league. He led the league in receiving touchdowns with six, and

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## Men's XC takes fifth

by Scot McFarlane  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Cross Country Team took advantage of the perfect fall weather to capture fifth place out of 43 teams at the NCAA Division III Cross Country Regionals. The team fell two places short of a chance at national level competition in Saturday's meet.

Several Bowdoin runners had standout performances. Owen McKenna '07 ran very well with a 16th place finish, only spot away from an individual bid at Nationals. Tyler Lonsdale '08 followed McKenna to finish for 17th place. "It was a terrific boost for our lineup to have Tyler and Owen race so well. They both ran smart and aggressive races," Coach Peter Slovenski said.

First year Archie Abrams took 41st place, showing his potential to become an integral runner for seasons to come.

"Archie Abrams had a great race. He helped our team pass both MIT and

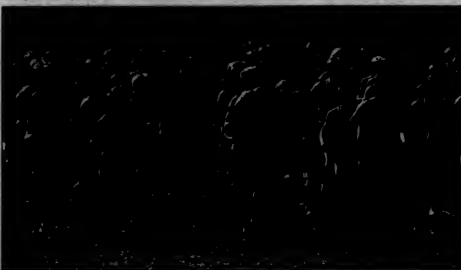
Connecticut College in the final mile," Slovenski said.

Abrams and 49th place finisher, Nate Krah '08, fell in the middle of race when a runner tripped in front of them. The two recovered to secure Bowdoin's top five finish.

Captain Andrew Combs '06, a three-time All-American in the mile race, was poised to head to Nationals himself, but fell victim to over-training.

"Nobody on our team trained more hours than Andrew this summer and fall," Slovenski said. "There is a fine line between training up to the edge and going over the edge. We took some risks with his training, and I think we miscalculated. He was training at an All-American level all summer and fall, but it was probably a little too much. He gave it everything he had."

Last weekend's race capped off a successful season for the team and demonstrated its potential for continued success in the future.



Courtesy of Mike Lonsdale

The men's cross country team fell just short of qualifying for nationals.

## Women's cross country finishes ninth at N.E. Championships

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

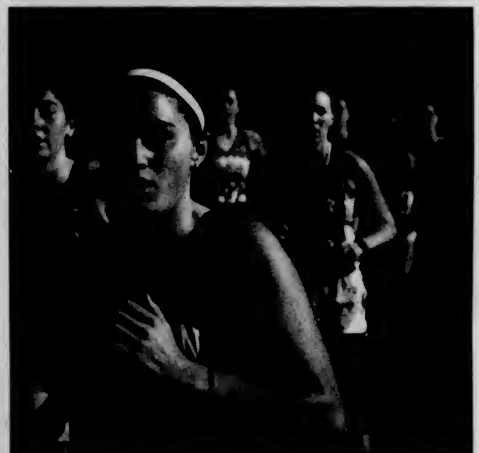
The women's cross country team concluded its season with a ninth place finish, just four points behind eighth place NESAC rival Connecticut College, in the New England Division III Championships.

Running an additional kilometer, the Polar Bears capped off an impressive season with many personal bests in Saturday's unseasonably warm race in Springfield, Massachusetts.

"The atmosphere at practice in the week leading up to this race was great. It felt as though everyone was preparing to give everything they had on Saturday for the good of the team," said junior co-captain Jamie Knight.

Kristen Brownell '07 led Bowdoin's rush to finish, taking 43rd place overall in 23:17. Courtney Eustace '08 followed for 56th place in 23:39, another personal best. Laura Onderko '08 captured 63rd place for Polar Bears. First year Courtney Martin, normally Bowdoin's top runner, bravely ran through her bronchitis to take 64th place, only two seconds behind Onderko. Junior Alex Knapp rounded out the Bowdoin top five with a 75th place finish in 23:56.

This season has catapulted Knapp into a pivotal position on team. "Alex Knapp gave the team a big lift this season. She started out running in the number eight position, but she developed into a very competitive number five



Courtesy of Mike Lonsdale

Alex Knapp '07 has played an integral role in the team's success this year.

runner in the October and November championships," Coach Slovenski said.

Knight, running sixth for Bowdoin, played a crucial role in Bowdoin's success at the meet. Knight secured Bowdoin's one point victory over Smith by passing the team's sixth-place runner for 11th.

Amy Ahearn '08 finished 127th for the Polar Bears with a time of 25:01.

"I think this weekend was a testa-

ment to how strong this team truly is. Some of the women ran their best races, and others pushed through illness and pain without a single complaint. My teammates never cease to amaze me, and I feel so lucky to have another season to run with these women," Knight said.

With only one runner graduating, the women's country cross team can look forward to even more success.



# Coach Profile: Julie Veilleux



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

After making a name for herself as a player at UMO, new assistant women's basketball coach Julie Veilleux will look to make records from the sideline.

by Nick Day  
CONTRIBUTOR

After a very successful 2004-2005 season, the Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team has added another weapon to its arsenal: Julie Veilleux. But instead of a reliable outside shot or a presence in the paint, Veilleux's contribution will be from the sidelines as an assistant coach.

A Maine native, Veilleux, comes to Bowdoin basketball after a successful high school and college career. Selected three times for the Maine All-State Basketball Team in high school, Veilleux went on to the University of Maine, where she lettered all four years and averaged 7.6 points per game in her senior season.

Upon graduating with a degree in education in 1994, Veilleux was undecided on whether to teach or to continue playing basketball.

"Until this summer, I wasn't sure what I was going to do," she said. "But then head coach [Stefanie] Pemper contacted me in early July, and told me there was a job opening here as assistant coach. I jumped at the chance, because coaching seemed like the best of both worlds. I would get to stay involved with basketball while working with people."

Veilleux successfully transitioned from being on the court to directing from the sideline.

"So far, things are going really

well. I'm learning a lot," she said.

Official practices with the squad, which began November 1, have been exciting for Veilleux. "Coaching doesn't feel like a job to me. It's too much fun."

Veilleux credits the athletic program at Bowdoin and head coach Stefanie Pemper for the team's past achievements, both on and off the court.

"Here, the girls love the game and strive to improve, but they're also focused on academics," she said. "It's truly remarkable the balance they achieve and I think that's a reflection on the athletic program and also the tremendous work Steph has done with the players."

Although Bowdoin is a perennial powerhouse, both in the NESCAC and in all of Division III, Veilleux realizes the importance of keeping past successes and future expectations in perspective.

"The most important thing this basketball team can do is to take each day as it comes," she said. "If we stay focused during every practice and game, that's what will make the difference down the stretch."

The team's season begins tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. at the Eastern Connecticut State University tournament.

"I feel fortunate to be here coaching, and I'm psyched about the season," Veilleux said. "It's gonna be a blast."

# Squash starts with Maine Open

Players from all over Maine compete at Bowdoin's Lubin Squash Center

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
CONTRIBUTOR

The men's and women's squash teams warmed up for their intercollegiate seasons in the Maine Open at Bowdoin's Lubin Squash Center. Players from around the state and beyond, age 19 to over 65, gathered for the United States Squash Racquet Association tournament.

John Moncure, assistant coach and "nooner" (adult who plays at the Lubin courts during the day when the teams are not using them), gave a short history of the Maine Open.

"Originally [the tournament] was mostly nooners, but when Dan Hammond was coach, he made the teams play and it became the kids' tournament," he said.

He added that Eddie Reid, the Bowdoin Squash coach in the 1980s, started the tournament, which, according to head coach Thomas Fortson, now attracts 80 to 100 players per year.

Almost every member of the team participated in this year's event, playing, refereeing matches, or helping Fortson run the tourna-

ment. Most of the players on the Bates men's and women's squash teams played as well, which gave the Polar Bears an early taste of this year's competition.

"We love seeing the Bates girls because we have a healthy, light-hearted rivalry with them, and we'll be facing off with them a few times this season," captain Niki Clement '06 said.

The tournament also provided an opportunity for members of the women's team to see each other in formal match play.

"I am excited for our season because our rookies all appear so strong and are learning quickly," said Susie Martin '07 after playing first year Jackie Deyshier in a semi-final round over the weekend.

The women look forward to an exciting and competitive season with the addition of strong first-year talent.

"The fundamental element," said Fortson, "is that we have so many new players on the team and the talent level is clearly higher than it has been for a few years, but it is young talent, so we need to come together to understand what is needed for quick improvement."

Fortson is optimistic about the team's potential, pointing out that "the level of focus and desire we've seen so far is what we want."

On the men's side, highlights of

the weekend included wins in their respective brackets for Nick Adams '06, Zach Linhart '07, Ray Carta '08, and Robert Lynn '09.

Coach Fortson praised the entire men's team, pointing out that "the men's team has done a great job of preparing for the season over the fall; they're in much better shape than they have been in other years and that raises our expectations for the season. The one danger that we want to avoid is becoming complacent because of our excellent start."

This weekend, the men's and women's squash teams head down to Harvard to face Tufts and Connecticut College for the first official matches of the season.

"These are matches that will definitely test both teams," said Fortson. "On the women's side it's more difficult than usual because there are four players that are not on the squad yet. It will be an opportunity for everyone on the team to challenge themselves with a good match. For the men's side, it's the nature of back-to-back matches that will make things difficult. We will have just come off the court when we play Conn. College while they will be rested, but we have been doing excellent work and we are very fit, so I think we can pass this test."

# Football ties for third in NESCAC

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was third in the league in touchdowns with seven. Noll also led the league in receiving yards with 91 per game, 20 more than the second place receiver. He also caught the longest pass of the year of 72 yards. The second longest pass of the year was caught by fellow wideout Scott Brisson '06 who was 11th in the league with 44 receiving yards per game. Johnson was 15th with 42 yards per game. Bowdoin was the only team in the NESCAC to have three receivers among the league's top 15.

The man throwing the ball was Ricky Leclerc '06 who set the single season passing record at Bowdoin with 1,596 yards, beating Chris Good's 1,451 from 1992.

Leclerc led the league in passing with 199.5 yards per game, over 25 more than his closest competitor. Leclerc was the only quarterback in the league to throw for more than 1,400 yards.

Leclerc ends his career with his name written all over the Bowdoin record books. He has the most passing attempts in a game (64), completions in a game (32), yards in a game (395), yards in a season (1,596), and interceptions in a game (5, he's human).

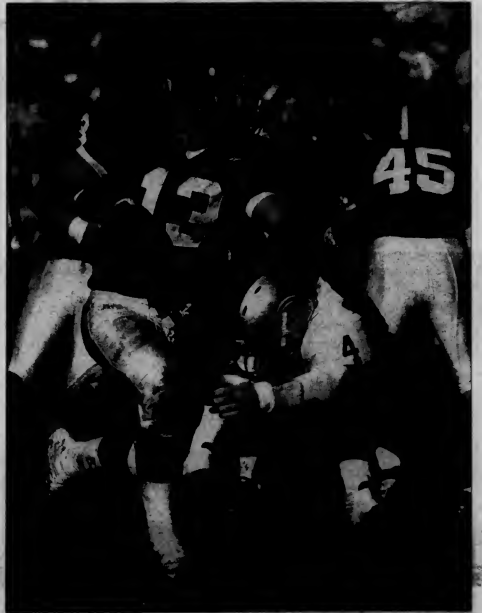
When asked about his career at Bowdoin, Leclerc said, "I've had a great time battling with these guys. I've had great receivers to throw to my whole career. I see them every day in practice, but these guys still made plays. I couldn't believe every Sunday."

But the day after the last game is, of

course, the first day of the off-season. A look at next year's team is very promising. The Bears have the solid core on defense coming back with White, Murphy, Vitousek, Brix, Regan, Welch, and Donahue. The

offense still has shifty running back Jeff Smith '08 and wideout Johnson. The x-factor will be quarterback Tom Duffy '07.

"I have some big shoes to fill," Duffy said. "But I'm a pretty big guy."



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior Dave Donahue returns a kickoff on Saturday's 28-3 loss to Colby.

A look back: Football's 6-2 season

v. Middlebury W 22-21		at Amherst W 16-3		at Tufts W 10-8		v. Hamilton W 21-7		at Trinity L 23-3		v. Wesleyan W 35-10		at Bates W 21-14		v. Colby L 28-3	
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# Swimmers dive into season

by Katie Yankura  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Swimming and Diving Team kicked off the season with an unofficial relay meet against Colby and Bates at Colby College on Saturday.

The exhibition meet gave new and experienced swimmers an opportunity to get in the racing spirit without the pressure of an official meet.

"The CBB relay meet is one of my favorite meets of the year because the upperclassmen get to teach the freshmen the team cheer, and it is really just a lot of fun with no pressure attached, a good way to get into the meet season," senior co-captain Michelle Filteau said.

Many swimmers had strong races,

proving that their hard training had paid off. The results were especially encouraging to coach Brad Burnham.

"I was so happy with and proud of the way the team swam on Saturday. So much of what we worked on last season carried into this first meet, and that makes me very happy as a coach. I was particularly proud of the way the team approached the meet; we wanted to be there and people wanted to race," Burnham said.

The team welcomes a large group of first years to its ranks, greatly increasing the team's depth. The men's team, in particular, will reap the benefits of a larger roster, gaining five new swimmers and losing only two to graduation.

"On Saturday, the men's team

especially showed that they are ready to take on greater challenges," co-captain Roger Burleigh '06 said. "Our team has been growing in both numbers and talent over the past several years, and it finally seems like we are amassing momentum, and hopefully that will carry on throughout the year. We are feeling confident. The team this year feels completely new: more focused, more competitive, and more connected with each other and our coach."

Coach Burnham shares Burleigh's enthusiasm and positive outlook. "The seniors are phenomenal leaders. I'm really looking forward to the rest of the season," he said.

The official season opens this weekend with a home meet against Babson and MIT.

## Undefeated field hockey in final four

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one defense all over the field, controlled passing combinations, and composed elimination skills on offense. The Polar Bears set the tone of the game early with a goal from LePage off a pass from senior Abby Daley. Bowdoin increased its early lead with a goal from McNamara off a pass from LePage. Five minutes into the second half, Taryn King '07, NESCAC Player of the Year, gave Bowdoin a three goal lead. Sophomore Hillary Hoffman

added two more goals to the Bowdoin tally for a 5-0 third-round NCAA victory, avenging prior postseason losses to Springfield in 1999 and 2000.

Bowdoin and Messiah are evenly matched on paper, with the Polar Bears boasting an 18-0 record and a fourth-place ranking in the latest NFCA Poll. The Falcons are ranked just one place ahead of Bowdoin with a 19-2 season record. A link to a live broadcast of the match will be available on the Bowdoin Athletics web site.



### FIELD HOCKEY

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 11/12	v. The College of New Jersey (NCAA Second Round)	W 2-0
Su 11/13	v. Springfield (NCAA Regional Final)	W 5-0

#### SCHEDULE

F 11/18	v. Messiah (at Washington & Lee) (NCAA Second Round)	11:00 A.M.
Sa 11/19	National Championship (Winner of Bowdoin and Messiah plays winner of Salisbury and Ursinus at Washington & Lee)	1:00 P.M.

### FOOTBALL

#### Final Standings

School	NESCAC	Stats
	W L	PF PA
Trinity	8 0	276 36
Colby	7 1	206 114
BOWDOIN	6 2	131 124
Williams	6 2	215 153
Amherst	5 3	201 98
Middlebury	3 5	153 141
Bates	2 6	116 224
Tufts	2 6	109 153
Hamilton	1 7	96 295
Wesleyan	0 8	94 259

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 11/5	v. Colby	L 28-3
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### MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 11/19	v. Babson and MIT	1:00 P.M.
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### W. SWIMMING & DIVING

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 11/19	v. Babson and MIT	1:00 P.M.
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### MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 11/12	N.E. Dills (at Springfield)	9th of 43
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### WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 11/12	N.E. Dills (at Springfield)	9th of 41
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### MEN'S BASKETBALL

#### SCHEDULE

F 11/18	v. Babson (at Babson Tourney)	5:30 P.M.
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### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 11/19	v. Endicott (at E. Conn. Tourney)	7:30 P.M.
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### MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

#### SCHEDULE

F 11/18	v. UMass-Boston	7:00 P.M.
Sa 11/19	at Babson	4:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

#### SCHEDULE

F 11/18	v. Amherst	7:00 P.M.
Sa 11/19	v. Conn. College	3:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S SQUASH

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 11/19	v. Tufts (at Harvard Round Robin)	11:30 A.M.
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Sa 11/18	v. Tufts (at Harvard Round Robin)	11:30 A.M.
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-Compiled by Adam Kommel.

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### Health problems don't go away on the weekends

We applaud the College's decision to create a trial of extended hours at the Dudley Coe Health Center to include the weekends. From November 20 until Spring Break, the Health Center will be open for students on Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Afterward, the College will make a decision regarding whether or not the hours should become permanent.

With confusing insurance policies, unfamiliar faces, and the problems of transportation, many students are likely apprehensive about going to an emergency room unless they have a major health problem that they know needs urgent attention. Students should not have to risk waiting until Monday morning if they are unsure about the seriousness of a certain health problem. WebMD.com does not always have the answer.

We hope little weight will be placed on the mere number of students who use the hours when determining whether or not to keep the Health Center open for parts of the weekend. The prospect that these extended hours could help a student in a profound way is very real. Whether it's treating an infection that is far more severe than a student anticipated, or creating additional access to emergency contraception, if it helps one student in a life-altering way then it is worth it. With a cost of just \$200 a weekend for these extended hours—just a drop in the bucket for a school that charges \$41,660 for a single student's tuition and fees—we wonder how the College could choose not to keep these hours permanent.

This issue is a matter of setting priorities. Controversy has surrounded this debate about Health Center hours for decades at Bowdoin, but to us it seems rather simple. Having at least a few hours open everyday will benefit the student body.

Access to healthcare remains a challenge for tens of millions of Americans today. While most of these Americans are not at Bowdoin, the idea of increased access to healthcare should still be welcomed. Come the end of the trial period in March, we hope the College will make the right decision and extend its hours to the weekends permanently.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

#### Voters should go to polls well-informed

To the Editors:

As a Maine resident and Bowdoin parent, I am disappointed to learn that apparently a substantial number of out-of-state Bowdoin students were coerced into last-minute trips to the polls November 8, simply to cast an emotional vote on Question 1 while disregarding the rest of the ballot issues entirely.

One wonders if a similar scenario occurred at Bates, Colby, USM, and UMaine. That could constitute a large number of votes. While I am encouraged that noble efforts were made to get out the vote, I would expect more intelligent, complete voting practices from college students. If claiming to be a Maine resident while at Bowdoin, please take the time to research all the issues in order to vote respectfully in this state. Otherwise, continue to vote responsibly on all the issues in your respective home states. It's an important choice.

While haphazard voting is indeed one's right, please remember that Mainers will live with election results long after many of you have left Brunswick!

Sincerely,

Elaine Baker Duffus  
Parent '07  
Gray, Maine

#### Question 1's rejection will help economy

To the Editors:

We read with interest Chris Marotta's piece on student reactions to last week's Maine referendum, affirming voters' support for gay rights.

In a puzzling quote, Alex Linhart '06 asserts that, "Maine is making a mistake...regulation depresses economic growth, and that's not what we want."

We expect that maximizing eco-

nomie growth was on few voters' minds when they decided how to vote on Question 1. And describing a law broadening gay people's civil rights as "regulation" seems to miss the essential point. Leaving that aside, the voters' rejection of Question 1 makes good economic sense.

Employers who reject job applicants on the basis of factors irrelevant to their performance—which can include gender, race, religion, and sexual preference—exclude talent from their labor pool and ultimately lose out to employers who hire the most capable workers available. It is this type of economic discrimination that reduces economic growth. Banning discrimination that has no economic rationale will, if anything, increase growth.

There's also abundant evidence that highly educated, talented, and entrepreneurial gay women and men are attracted to places where laws and cultures are welcoming—and they vote with their feet against places known for intolerance. Maine is a comparatively poor state with America's oldest population, so we need all the skilled and creative working-age people we can attract.

In fact, Maine's business community clearly recognizes this. Maine Chamber of Commerce president Dana Connors puts it well: "If we keep the antidiscrimination law on the books, we will say to the world that Maine is a welcoming state where talent and hard work are valued above all else and everyone gets a fair shot."

Last week, Maine voters agreed. Sincerely,  
Assistant Professor Joon-Suk Lee  
Professor David Vail  
Department of Economics

#### The Orient misses point of Poeting

To the Editors:

Chelsea Gerneman's article last week on the Poeting-sponsored Poetry Slam showed that once again, the Orient has failed to understand Poeting. Gerneman writes that "attendees should be forewarned

that what awaits them are not soft, calm pieces, but rather energetic, competitive, dynamic original works."

I do not contest that many pieces are energetic and dynamic, but challenge Gerneman's assertion that the poems of the slam are neither soft nor calm. Poeting's varied performances (sans "controversial social issues") during Parents Weekend and the All I Need Is One Mic night last month showcased poets who are capable of both soft and dynamic pieces, demonstrating that as a group, Poeting welcomes both forms (and are the two terms really mutually exclusive?).

Gerneman's warning that "the preconceptions of the audience regarding what is quality literature will certainly be challenged" revealed her own biases toward slam poetry.

Yes, the form is different, but how is it so different that it should challenge preconceptions of quality? Perhaps Gerneman's own preconceptions of slam poetry should be reexamined, as the form often does not "resemble the style of rap."

While Gerneman's positive focus on Poeting was well-intentioned, this point believes she has missed the point.

Sincerely,  
Joy Lee '07

#### The calendar page is much appreciated

To the Editors:

I am writing to express my appreciation for the back calendar page, which often goes unnoticed despite its invaluable contribution to every student's social planning. Without the bulletin in the most recent weekly calendar, there is a significant chance I would not have attended the art show hosted by Honora Dunham '07. The gathering turned out to be the most meaningful and, more importantly, educational part of my week. I know I speak for many when I say thank you to the Orient for making this possible.

Sincerely,  
Alix Roy '07

### Bush should rethink Iraq war

#### Hands Off Liberty



by Evan McLaren  
COLUMNIST

The Bush administration's *raison d'être* is war in the Middle East in order to protect America from terrorism and to insure its oil supply. This approach wasn't suddenly formed in response to September 11, or United Nations grappling with Saddam Hussein. The neo-conservatives who are currently in control have long held plans for regime changes in several countries, and for years they have been attacking the moral, constitutional, and legal arguments for less aggressive foreign policy. According to the long-published writings of the neo-cons, Middle

East war is needed to protect Israel and preserve a holy Pax Americana. Senior policymakers also hold a blind faith in the idea, embraced first by FDR and adopted by every administration since, that military force is an effective tool for securing foreign sources of petroleum.

The true motives for war were not mythical weapons of mass destruction or a burning need to rescue the Iraqi people from a dictator. But since readers of The New York Times as well as viewers of the nightly action news usually know little or nothing about the neo-conservative manifesto or the history of U.S. involvement in Iraq and the Middle East, President George W. Bush and his media shills had an easy time selling the distorted case for invading Iraq.

The real story begins with our government helping to bring

Saddam's socialist Ba'ath Party to power in the 1960s, and it continues with its friendliness and eventual alliance with Hussein during the 1980s, something current Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld helped orchestrate. The gassing of the Kurds occurred during this alliance (although even this occurrence has been called into question for lack of evidence). It also was during this period that the United States and other Western nations sold Saddam the capacity to make chemical weapons. This was an interesting decision considering that the sanctions imposed on Iraq from 1990 to 2003 resulted in the death of 500,000 children under the age of five, according to UNICEF estimates. For a period during 2001, the Bush administration even prevented infant

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## Citizens should question the war

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vaccines and medical equipment from being sent to Iraq.

Hussein clearly was a terrible dictator, but (echoing Phil Donahue's remarks on "The O'Reilly Factor"), he was our dictator. Iraq also was the most liberal country in the Middle East and was hated by neighboring Islamic fundamentalist regimes because it tolerated Christians. Daily freedom in Iraq was such that one could buy a drink or a gun in downtown Baghdad. None of the 19 hijackers of September 11 were from Iraq, and unlike Pakistan or Israel, Iraq was not in possession of nuclear weapons. Yet as a result of U.S. incursion, Iraq eventually will be controlled by a fundamentalist Islamic government predictably hostile to the United States. None of this is surprising in light of history since the United States overthrow the only democratically-elected Middle Eastern government in Iran back in 1953.

When it comes to Iraq and terrorism, the American people often know only what the government tells them. As a result, our leaders have been able to excuse their expansion of an already vast military, which is properly understood as the largest single government bureaucracy. Even excluding much spy spending, its funding exceeds the military budgets of the next 27 countries combined. Money that should belong to a productive, private economy is used instead to build and maintain weapons of mass destruction and a huge military force. Furthermore, this military occupies over 120 countries and is clearly designed for interventionist

imperialism, not national defense.

Since 2000, Bush has increased spending by about 30 percent, created the largest civilian bureaucracy erected since World War II, and used federal police power to violate the Constitution and invade the lives of private citizens. He has done all this in the name of peace and freedom. His programs and his expansion of the warfare state could not be less effective if they were designed to undermine our peace and prosperity.

Washington as a whole has shown no interest in rethinking its mistaken foreign policy approach or its continued expansion of power. As in the past, policymakers on both sides of the aisle will continue to call for more intervention and more spending. At the moment, administration officials are contemplating invading Syria and redrafting Pentagon policy to include the possibility that the United States may use nuclear weapons in preemptive strikes. Democrats, meanwhile, are not doing much to question them.

To combat this tyranny of good intentions we need vigorous intellects who are willing to challenge the growth of centralized power on all fronts. We need citizens who are willing to develop their love for peace into something more than blind faith in the Left. We need people brave enough to speak out and defy the moral scorn the Orient, President Barry Mills, and Alex Cornell du Houx '06 have in store for those who wonder why one should blindly perform "national service," even when it involves shooting other men to order in the name of a cause one knows is wrong.

## Good break-ups are possible

### Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

The Carpenters have always told us that "breaking up is hard to do." And for anyone who has ever dumped someone, or been dumped, or has been friends with someone who has been dumped, you know just how true those lyrics can be. The end of a relationship, regardless of the length or intensity of emotion involved, is always a tragedy on some level. You no longer have someone to quote poetry to in your AIM profile, and your extra long twin bed feels empty. You miss his smile, or her eyes, and you really miss getting a piece of him or her on a regular basis. The sun stops shining, the birds stop chirping, and you begin to realize how small a Chamberlain double actually is now that you're sleeping there every single night.

Yet, despite their sometimes terrible side effects, there is such a thing as a "good" break-up. While the pain is most likely unavoidable, there are, in fact, ways in which you, as the dumper, can treat the end of the relationship with the respect your time together has warranted.

For instance, avoid reverting to electronic modes of communication to do the deed. Emails are impersonal and cowardly, and they are far too susceptible to a late night un-sober click of the "reply" button. That "drunken email" I mentioned two weeks ago can slide very quickly from funny albeit embarrassing to sad

albeit vicious faster than you can say "three car bombs, please." After all, nobody needs a Sunday morning reminder of his sexual "shortcomings," if you know what I mean.

To have something in writing, something that he or she can hold on to and look back on whenever he or she feels so inclined, is the kiss of death for a healthy break-up. I personally have an entire folder in my e-mail labeled simply "stupid," in which I keep every single idiotic email I have ever received or (far more frequently) sent. It serves as a reminder of why email should be used solely for relaying made-up excuses for missed classes to disgruntled professors, and never for matters of the heart and/or libido.

The same goes for AIM. If you find yourself chatting online with your significant other, thinking how easy it would be to just send him a Dear John IM with a sad face attached, smack yourself. Put down the mouse, step away from the keyboard, and smack yourself. A tear running down the cheek of a small yellow-faced person does not do justice to weeks, or months, or years of emotional baggage, no matter what your 12-year-old brother says. Certain emotions cannot be adequately expressed in writing and certainly cannot be articulated by a selection of sixteen neon faces. Relationships of all kinds deserve a face-to-face, heart-to-heart, honest-to-goodness conversation; something that can't be achieved through the incoming IM chime.

There are some guidelines for this face-to-face conversation as well. Avoid using the standard break up clichés, such as "It's not you, it's me," "I'm just not ready for a relationship right now," or "I have gonorrhea and I caught it from your roommate." Though you might think you're letting him or her down easy, both of you will be better served by an honest and open conversation. If there are personal reasons you can't be together, explain them. If something your significant other did pissed you off, tell him or her about it. Sometimes a break-up can be thwarted by just talk-

*Yet, despite their sometimes terrible side effects, there is such a thing as a "good" break-up.*

ing about why one or both of you are unhappy. And if you do catch an STD from his or her roommate, apologize sincerely, then schedule an appointment at Dudley Coe for both you and the roommate in question ASAP.

While nobody seems to disagree with the Carpenters, Mariah Carey tells us to simply shake it off. Toni Braxton, on the other hand, begs to have her heart unbroken. Kelly Clarkson can't even cross the street after a bad break-up. Regardless of how you deal with it, the fact remains that relationships should make you a better person, both during and after the fact. You should learn from one another, and in an ideal world, each of you should walk away with the feeling that you benefited from knowing one another. Indeed, candor bordering on brutal truth can be good for a relationship, or if nothing else, make for a busy day at the health center.

## STUDENT SPEAK

### What are you thankful for this Thanksgiving?



Katherine Whitley '08

"Ben & Jerry's in the Cstore."



Mike Aikins '08

"My Y-chromosome."



Theo Salter '07

"Chicken pesto pizza."



Bennett Haynes '08

"Great surfing in Maine."



Sean Murphy '09

"My fingers and Collin York's fingers."



Alex Cornell du Houx '06

"My S.M.A.W. rocket launcher."



Shelley Barron '09 and  
Aliya Sabharwal '09

"Each other."



Crosby Cook '09

"Freshmen laxers."

# The Weekly Calendar

## November 18-December 1

### Friday, Nov. 18

#### *Brown Bag Seminar*

Professor Per Berglund from the University of New Hampshire presents "The Landscape of Strings," which covers details about the ground state of string theory.

Room 313, Searles Science Building,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

#### *Jazz Concert*

John Pizzarelli, singer and guitarist known for his interpretations of timeless American tunes, performs classic standards and late-night ballads with his quartet.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
7:30 p.m.

#### *Film: Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Prices*

In this documentary, producer, director and activist Robert Greenwald alleges that Wal-Mart uses unfair practices.

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, Nov. 19

#### *Film: Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Prices*

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.

#### *Coastal Studies Center Open House*

Bowdoin faculty, students, and staff will be present to talk about the lab's features and the work they are doing there.  
Coastal Studies Center, Orr's Island,  
2-4 p.m.

### Sunday, Nov. 20

#### *Sunday Mass*

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

#### *Instrumental Performance*

Students in the Bowdoin College Concert Band will give a performance.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 3 p.m.

#### *Studio 305 Class Projects*

Gardiner Holland '06 directs a presentation of "The Hunters," a novel about the role of the inner struggle between instinct and rationality in the search for a murderer.  
Wish Theater, Memorial Hall, 7 p.m.

### Monday, Nov. 21

#### *Buddhist Lecture*

Traktung Rinpoche, an eccentric Buddhist teacher, gives a speech entitled, "Yogis Who Kill." Rinpoche is now believed by many Tibetans to be the reincarnation of nomad-yogi Do Khyentse, who lived so immorally that people of his time thought he would never reincarnate.  
Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.

#### *Agronomist Discussion*

View a screening of the film *The Agronomist*, which outlines the last 15 years of Haitian history, followed by a discussion with cultural journalist Jan J. Dominique.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
7-9:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, Nov. 22

*Last Day of Classes  
Before Thanksgiving Break*

### Monday, Nov. 28

#### *Alfred E. Golz Memorial Lecture*

Lizabeth Cohen, professor of history at Harvard, gives a lecture entitled, "A Marketplace of Goods and Ideas: Boston's Faneuil Hall from the 18th to the 21st Century."

Room 315, Searles Science Building,  
7-9 p.m.



A view of Cook's Lobster House on Bailey Island.

Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

### Tuesday, Nov. 29

#### *Poetry Reading*

Poet and Iraq war veteran Brian Turner presents a reading of his book of poetry, "Here, Bullet." This compilation of poetry provides a first-person account of the war in Iraq.

Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, Nov. 30

#### *Stahl Lecture*

Molly Swetnam Burland, Ph.D., a research associate in the classics department, gives a lecture entitled, "Exotic Egypt: The Invention of the Foreign in Augustan Rome."  
Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center,  
7:30 p.m.

#### *Asian-American Discussion*

A panel of five Asian-American Bowdoin students will hold a discussion panel. Topics covered will include Asian-American political representation, images in a post-9/11 environment, issues of dual-identity, and social class differences within the Asian-American community.

Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall,  
7:30 p.m.

### Thursday, Dec. 1

#### *December Dance*

Faculty and students from the Department of Theater and Dance guide a variety of dances including samba, step dancing, and hip hop-influenced jazz dance.

Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall,  
8 p.m.



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## Student performers swing into the season



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Student performers show off a semester worth of work at the December Dance performance. See related story, page 8.

## Bridging alcohol divide a challenge

*Res Life, BSG, and Safe Space join forces to confront student polarization*

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Some may think that college and alcohol go hand in hand, but recently there has been rising concern on campus that alcohol has divided Bowdoin's social scene.

Early next semester, Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) will sponsor a discussion that will explore the division between drinkers and non-drinkers on the social level and develop concrete solutions to bridge the alleged gap. Representatives from BSG, Residential Life, the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs, sports teams, Howell House, the health center, the counseling center, and the larger student body will participate in the discussion.

BSG President DeRay McKesson '07 is concerned by the issue.

"The division between drinkers and non-drinkers is growing, and it will be unmanageable soon if we don't do something about it," he said in an interview with the Orient.

BSG is not the only campus group worried about the alleged rift between students. Safe Space, a sexual assault awareness group on campus, recently sponsored a discussion called "Alcohol as a Social Lubricant."

"Coming into college, you have a pre-conceived notion of what having fun at college is like," Carrie Roble '08 said during the Safe Space discussion held in Sills Hall last month.

To many students, this pre-conceived notion includes lots of drinking, while others imagine a social scene with little or no alcohol involved. Many agree that the social scene at Bowdoin is largely influenced by the

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## Schuberth named vice chairman of state GOP

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Daniel Schuberth '06 has been elected the new vice chairman of the Maine Republican Party, making him the youngest vice chairman of a state chapter in the nation.

In the position, Schuberth will be responsible for fundraising and mobilization efforts. He says that he also plans to influence the state's economic situation by supporting businesses and efforts to lower taxes. "The most important issue to me has always been creating a business climate in Maine that will allow more of our young people to stay here and raise families after they finish college," Schuberth said.

"Maine is currently the most over-taxed state in America, and this taxation creates an oppressive business climate that encourages businesses to leave Maine in search of better options," he said.

Schuberth has been involved in the Republican Party since high

school, when he served as an intern in New Jersey for Doug Forrester, then a candidate for the U.S. Senate.

Schuberth, elected on November 19 on the heels of controversy involving his criticism of U.S. Marine and Bowdoin student Alex Cornell du Houx '06, said that he plans to continue his involvement with the Republican Party and in Maine politics after his term as vice chairman ends in December 2006.

"I am excited to be able to stay in Maine, even though so many of my peers do not have the same option," Schuberth said.

"I plan on working every day to help elect Republican candidates until my term has ended. I certainly am looking forward to serving my country and my party for many more

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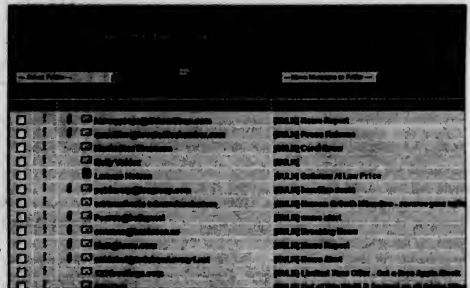
## Pricey filters can't stop all spam

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

As Bowdoin's Information Technology Department (IT) fights the ongoing battle with spam, students are trying different methods to deal with the junk emails that clog their inboxes. Despite the purchase of two sophisticated filters that cost around \$5,000 to purchase and 20 percent of that per year for service and support, students are still receiving numerous spam emails every day. And, according to Chief Information Officer Mitch Davis, the problem is not going away.

"Spam is a never-ending issue," Davis said. "We have two spam filters that filter messages on a daily basis, but spam is just getting worse, not better."

According to Davis and Senior Administrator of IT Randy Pelletier, the major issue with spam involves



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Students find their email boxes filled with junk mail sent to class lists.

the lists that professors use to send out emails to their classes. Most students receiving spam get emails addressed to these lists, not to their personal accounts.

This problem is preventable, says Pelletier, by making the lists inaccessible to anyone without a

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## Cornell du Houx leaves Bowdoin for Iraq service

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

U.S. Marine Alex Cornell du Houx '06 leaves Bowdoin on Monday to train in Fort Devens, Massachusetts, in preparation for his upcoming deployment to Iraq. He will be training for "direct and urban combat" at Fort Devens for the next 20 days.

After training, Cornell du Houx will return to Sokon, Maine, to spend Christmas with his family. He will then spend two months in California at Twenty-Nine Palms and Camp Pendleton. Following his training session in California, Cornell du Houx will spend seven months on the ground in Iraq.

There, he will work with weapons and machinery.

"My job is 0351 Assault, so I'll be shooting rockets and dealing with explosives," he said.

He will most likely be leaving for Iraq at the end of February or the beginning of March.

"It could be for my birthday," he noted, which is March 6.

Cornell du Houx does not yet know where he will be in Iraq.

"That's the number one question," he said.

Oliver Radwan '08 will replace Cornell du Houx as co-president of the Bowdoin College Democrats.

"I will miss his friendship and the leadership example he has always provided for the Dems," Radwan said.

"With him leaving, I'm stepping into some big shoes, but we will do our best to keep everything up to the

high standards developed by Alex."

Although Edward Little Professor of the English Language and Literature William Waterson did not know him personally and never taught him, at a reception honoring Cornell du Houx on Monday night, Waterson gave him a Roman war ring from World War II to take with him to Iraq.

In his last days at Bowdoin, Cornell du Houx reflected on the caring and supportive community he is leaving behind.

"Bowdoin College is a wonderful place and I'll miss the people at Bowdoin the most," he said.

"When he's gone he will stay in

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## U.S. Marine Cornell du Houx '06 says his farewell to Bowdoin



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Speaker of Maine State House John Richardson (D-Brunswick) and Bree Dallinga '06 wished U.S. Marine Cornell du Houx '06 a safe return home at his farewell party in Smith Union on Monday.

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touch with Bowdoin. We're all hoping he'll take care of himself over there," Radwan said.

Cornell du Houx will be keeping an online blog to inform the

Bowdoin community of his work overseas, a link to which is available from Radwan.

Cornell du Houx's interview with NBC will air on "Nightly News" at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 3.

## IT purchases two new spam filters, encourages students to take action by creating spam folders

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Bowdoin email account. However, according to Pelletier, many professors want to leave these lists open to emailers outside the Bowdoin system and do not request this protection.

"Most people don't know or don't care or aren't willing to go out on a limb and prevent spam from emailing to their lists," Pelletier said. "Given the appropriate amount of foresight, the instructor of the class could tell me to let this person [outside the Bowdoin email system] email my list, and I could open the list for that."

When asked why professors don't take advantage of this option, Pelletier responded that professors "have more important things to do."

When questioned about the option of closing class email lists to outside traffic, Associate Professor of Chemistry and Environmental Studies Dharni Vasudevan said that she was not aware of it. Vasudevan also said that if she had known about it, she would have closed her class lists, and plans to do so next semester. Associate Professor of Film Studies Tricia Welsch responded similarly, saying that she was also unaware of the option.

Students offered a range of opinions about the performance of the

spam filtering system. "It used to be good last year, but this year it's falling apart," Ian Haight '08 said. Other students said that they receive between four and ten spam emails each day.

Bowdoin's IT department has already taken numerous steps to mit-

## College seeks to bridge divisions between drinkers and non-drinkers through campus-wide discussions

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presence of alcohol.

"One of the first interactions we had with our Quinby buddies was them asking us for beer money," Nick Dunn '09 said during the Safe Space discussion.

In an interview with the Orient, Rachel Dicker '09, a student who lives in chem-free housing, said that she does not think social houses are exclusive because everyone can attend events at them, even if many non-drinkers choose not to.

"It is an unintentional exclusion, and it can't really be helped if people don't go because they choose not to drink," she said.

Alex White '08, the president of Ladd House, thinks that social houses have a duty to provide the social scene that students expect.

However, White said, "It is the crucial responsibility of those upperclassmen who live in the house to recognize that not all expectations are the same and not everyone wants to drink."

Director of Residential Life Kim

Pacelli '98, who was a student when the Greek system was a prominent part of the social life at Bowdoin, now works very closely with social houses and helps them plan events. While she recognizes the substantial role that alcohol plays in many social house events, she believes it is less of a focus in the social houses than it was in the Greek houses they replaced.

"I do think [the division alcohol cre-

*"It is the crucial responsibility of those upperclassmen who live in the house to recognize that not all expectations are the same and not everyone wants to drink."*

a subcommittee to examine its role regarding alcohol's presence in the social scene. According to RA Tucker Harrison '06, a member of the subcommittee, there are various ideas in the works about ways Residential Life could address the issue.

Ideas include conducting a survey or focus groups to give Residential Life a better understanding of students' experiences. Possible program ideas include setting up tables with statistics about alcohol and having students create a tapestry to express how alcohol has affected them.

Kat Anderson '08, who grew up in the Czech Republic, thinks that the problem is a result of the way our culture views alcohol. While in high school, Anderson often went out with a group of friends—some who drank and some who didn't—but, she said that "it wasn't a big deal."

Anderson believes drinkers and non-drinkers are more segregated in the social scene at Bowdoin than they were in the Czech Republic. She said that this segregation is caused because students often view drinking itself as an activity instead of an element of a different activity.

"We drank as part of going out, and here, going out is part of drinking," she said.

See related story on cultural drinking differences, page 5.

Alex White '08  
President of Ladd House

ates between drinkers and non-drinkers is a problem, but I don't think there is mal-intent behind it," she said. "College houses do a lot of different kinds of events."

These events include various chem-free activities that tend to be easily overlooked because of their small size.

Although Pacelli believes that the social houses already do a lot to accommodate drinkers and non-drinkers, she also thinks there is room for improvement.

"It is up to the people who want to see a change to help [plan events]," she said.

Residential Life has recently formed

## Schuberth appointed to state GOP position as Bowdoin Democrats dominate college level

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years to come," he said.

Several other Bowdoin students have recently found themselves more involved in state level organizations as well, as recently elected members of Maine College Democrats. Oliver Radwan '08 will serve a one-year term as co-president of the Maine College Democrats with Bree Dallinga '06,

who will serve a six-month term as co-president. Brandon Mazer '08 has been elected to a one-year term as co-vice president, and Anya Trundy '06 has been elected to a six-month term as vice president. Frank Chi '07 will serve a one-year term as director of communications, Miranda Yaver '09 will serve a one-year term as director of programs, and David Thomason '08 will serve a one-year term as treasurer.

## CORRECTIONS

•Due to an editing error, the November 18 story "Sophomores arrested on trespassing charge" said Kappa Sig had not been used since 1997 while in fact, it housed students through May 2000.

•The report "House Passes Higher Education Act" incorrectly stated that the bill now moves to the U.S. Senate. In addition, the headline

incorrectly implied the vote dealt with a reauthorization of the Higher Education Act. The web version of the story was changed to correct these errors.

•"NBC to feature Maine's story" incorrectly named Frank Chi president of the Maine College Democrats when he is really co-president of the Bowdoin College Democrats.

*"Those [spammers] with deep pockets go out and buy the same products we have and with reverse engineering find a way around it."*

Randy Pelletier  
Senior Administrator of IT

igate the problem. "We've purchased spam firewalls that are updated daily and filter all inbound mail," Davis said. These firewalls block upward of 30,000 emails a day, and tag an additional 10,000 to 15,000 emails with a "bulk" listing. These tagged emails still go to the user's inbox, but are prominently labeled as "bulk."

However, according to Pelletier, the more sophisticated spammers have ways to get around these firewalls.

"Those with deep pockets go out and buy the same products we have and with reverse engineering find a way around it," he said. "The emails that are short and curt are stealth and get around the firewall entirely."

filter out the junk email, so I don't actually see them."

"It's not going to be a problem we can solve with a panacea, because it's constantly evolving," Pelletier said.

"It's an ongoing battle, and it gets worse month by month because spammers devise new techniques as needed. It's a very dynamic group of folks out there, very smart," he said.

## CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT: 11/14 TO 11/26

Monday, November 14:

•A student reported his bicycle missing from the porch of Quinby House.

•A student reported finding his missing bicycle in the bicycle rack at Moulton Union.

•Security responded to an alcohol policy violation in the parking lot of Brunswick Apartments.

Tuesday, November 15:

•A compact disc case containing several CDs was found at Moulton Union and turned in to Security.

•A student reported her bicycle missing from Burnett House.

Wednesday, November 16:

•A student residing on School Street reported a suspicious person outside the building.

Thursday, November 17:

•The fire alarm at Farley Field

House was activated by smoke from burnt popcorn.

Saturday, November 19:

•The fire alarm at MacMillan House was activated by smoke from burnt popcorn.

Sunday, November 20:

•Security assisted an intoxicated student on Maine Avenue.

•A security officer encountered an underage student in possession of alcohol on South Campus Drive.

•A Bowdoin megaphone was reported missing from a display case in Morrell Gym.

•A fire alarm caused by a malfunctioning heat detector was reported at Chamberlain Hall.

Monday, November 21:

•A missing bicycle was located near Maine Hall and returned to the owner.

•A report was made of disorderly conduct by a student visiting MacMillan House.

•A student reported backing into a signpost with a college van at the Burnett House parking lot.

Tuesday, November 22:

•A student reported his bicycle missing from the parking lot at Brunswick Apartments.

Friday, November 25:

•An unregistered event was dispersed at Chamberlain Hall.

Saturday, November 26:

•A security officer apprehended an intoxicated Brunswick resident operating a vehicle recklessly in the Coffin Street parking lot. Brunswick Police made the arrest.

—Compiled by Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
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•Attendance: 23/26. Absent: Jacqueline Abrams '08, Allison Chin '07, Sophia Seifert '09.  
•BSG Officer Team met with the Colby Student Government to compare and discuss.  
•Christopher Hill '74 will be coming to campus next Wednesday

to meet with students and speak about his role as Chief Negotiator in the U.S. talks with North Korea.

•The Student Affairs Committee will be sponsoring a study break in Thorne on December 13.

•\$425 was allotted by a vote of 22-1 to rent a bus to transport students to the Bowdoin-Colby hockey game on December 9.

# Former Iraq soldier shares war experience with powerful poetry

by Chris Marotta  
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Brunswick residents, faculty, and students alike filled the Main Lounge of Moulton Union to hear Iraq war veteran and poet Brian Turner read from his recent collection, *Here, Bullet*. As Turner's soft but piercing voice filled the room, the audience sat transfixed. Most looked to the podium, but others looked down as Turner read about his experiences as an infantry team leader.

Turner, who earned a master's of fine arts degree from the University of Oregon before going abroad for a year in Korea, enlisted in the peace-time army upon his return. He was deployed in Bosnia from 1999 to 2000 before serving in Iraq for a year in 2003. During his time in Iraq, Turner filled his few spare moments jotting down notes and thoughts.

Because of his prior experiences writing poetry, Turner said that writing in the middle of battle was, "a natural motive for me."

*Here, Bullet* is not Turner's first publication. However, he said that his style of writing changed in Iraq.

"A lot of the embellishment, a lot of the musicality that I had put into books before had been intentionally checked [in this book]," he said.

"I wanted it to be open and accessible to the person at the bus stop. I come from a working-class family—that isn't a lack of intellect and sophistication, it's just a different approach to sophistication."

Matt O'Donnell, the associate editor of Bowdoin Magazine, introduced Brian Turner before the reading. O'Donnell is also the founder of "From the Fishhouse," an online audio archive of emerging poets, through which he became connected with Turner.

Once Turner took the podium, the audience went silent. He began the reading with "Here, Bullet," the poem for which the collection is named.

His poems told stories about an army cook with startling green eyes killed by a roadside bomb, the suicide of a deployed soldier, and the longing for America expressed through a war medic's guitar. In between his readings, Turner shared some of his personal experiences not contained in the collection. He talked about waiting to be taken home while mortar shells exploded around him, writing high in a tower gazing over the desert, and Iraqi culture.

"[There is] so much we can learn," said Turner about the culture.

"The Iraqi people are very brave. They're just like us—they are women and men with babies, with crushes. I think you probably would be able to emphasize with that."

He also spoke about how he came to see the insurgents while deployed in Iraq.

"There are so many different reasons why each person picks up a rifle," he said. Turner told how an



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Prior to reading, Turner met students and answered questions over dinner at MacMillan House. Many of the same questions arose at the Q&A following his reading later that night in Main Lounge.

Iraqi will be paid \$80 a day to shoot at American soldiers and \$500 to kill one, and how many are content aiming to miss for the smaller sum.

Throughout the reading, Turner was very modest and quietly unaware of the impact of his words. After reading a few poems, he said, "Allow me to indulge you with a few more."

When urged to read more poems, he said, "I don't want for people to fall sleep."

Coming from a working-class family—his father, a welder, and his mother, a working bartender—Turner says he is not used to the spotlight. Since the book was released in early November, it has received the 2005 Beatrice Hawley Award, and has become a New York Times editor's choice.

Despite his modesty, many students were affected by the reading.

"It was really cool—you hear about the war, but you never really know how it is to actually be there," Charles Stern '09 said.

While the reading was focused more on the emotions and environment of Iraq, the night was not free of politics. One of the first questions Turner was asked was how he felt about the current rhetoric in Washington about the war.

After thinking for a moment, Turner replied, "I don't know about the word 'rhetoric.' It sounds loaded."

Turner then proceeded to give his opinion about the war as a whole.

"I believe that pre-emptive action is not a strategy we should use overseas, and that it's not a strategy we should use at all. As a leader in the world, it's not how to lead—I don't think it was a good decision." He also shared the mixed feeling he felt when first notified that he was going to Iraq.

"I mulled over prison time," he said. However, Turner did go, and fought despite his personal feelings.

"The war affects everyone like a rock in the pond," Turner said.

During a question and answer session following the reading, one town resident asked Turner if it was difficult to reflect in the midst of the conflict.

Turner only replied that, "With death constantly in the background, I felt pressured to write as quickly as possible."

At the end of the reading, Turner requested donations to booksforsoldiers.com, an organization that provides books to soldiers fighting overseas. He talked about how he used the service himself while he was fighting, and how much of a difference it made. Turner finished by saying, "You might just influence somebody."

# BSG debates changes to young constitution

by Cati Mitchell  
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The Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) is in the throes of a lengthy process to revamp its entire constitution. BSG's present focus is on improving the structure of the student government body itself.

The current constitution is in its fourth year. Thus far, there have been five attempts made to make changes to it. At least two have been passed, according to Vice President of BSG Affairs Dustin Brooks '08.

Brooks noted that the original document was "poorly written." His committee sees two major problems with the constitution at present—a lack of accountability and unfair representation.

The main issue with accountability lies with the vice presidents. Under the current structure, if there is a VP who fails to do his or her job well, there is no contingency plan.

Social houses are one of the biggest points of debate. Several members of BSG feel that social houses are overrepresented on the body. Of the 26 members, six come from social houses, which make up a relatively small proportion of the student body.

The committee on BSG Affairs is looking to "flush out what different responsibilities are," according to Brooks. Under the current document, the role of the president has very few outlined responsibilities. The positions of the treasurer and the VPs are also unclear, according to members of BSG.

BSG President DeRay McKesson '07 believes that by clarifying the constitution and refining roles, the current system could work very well.

"I want us to perfect this," he said.

Before the present constitution was put into place four years ago, BSG was made up of three bodies—the SAFC, a Student Congress, and the officer team, E-9.

The system was "very disconnected," said Brooks, and the current constitution is "an amalgamation of those three groups."

"It is widely agreed upon that something to some degree needs to change," Brooks said.

Although this may be the case, progress has been slow. Four weeks ago, BSG Affairs presented the full body with its ideas for a new structure, which sparked a month-long debate with very little progress.

BSG Affairs decided this Tuesday to take a new approach, holding a discussion on the four main issues—committees, representation, leadership, and elections.

BSG Affairs will take the ideas presented at the meeting and form a new document, which should be presented within the next few weeks.

In order for any constitutional amendment to be made, it must be approved by the BSG by a four-fifths vote.

It must then be passed by two-thirds of the student body.

An amendment should be ready to be voted on by the beginning of next semester.

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

### NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

#### Hannaford donates \$100,000 to fund new concert hall

Bowdoin received a \$100,000 grant from the Hannaford Charitable Foundation to aid in the construction of a new recital hall that is expected to be finished in the spring of 2007.

The 290-seat recital hall will be used for small and mid-sized musical performances. Included in the facility will be a rehearsal room, nine practice rooms, a lobby and box office, performers' dressing rooms and restrooms, a green room, rake auditorium seating, and a stage that will accommodate many types of musical performances.

In addition to serving as a venue for Bowdoin performances, the recital hall will also accommodate various musical performances which are open to the public, serving the midcoast and southern Maine communities.

The College hopes that in implementing these projects, it will work toward strengthening its performing arts programs and music involvement among the student body.

The Hannaford Charitable Foundation has been consistently supportive of local Maine com-

munities and is reportedly pleased to extend this support.

#### Kusick '05 to aid Hurricane Katrina relief with FEMA

Only one and a half weeks after beginning a job teaching in New Orleans, Ashley Kusick '05 found herself displaced by the effects of Hurricane Katrina, according to the Portsmouth Herald. Her neighborhood flooded, her car ruined, and the school at which she was teaching closed, she now works with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in order to aid those who are in drastic circumstances as a result of the hurricane.

Through FEMA, Kusick looks through the applications of people who, like herself, have been displaced and helps to determine the aid for which they are eligible.

Kusick, as quoted by the Portsmouth Herald, said, "It's mid-November, and still some people have no place to live."

Kusick, who graduated in May, entered the Teach For America program and was assigned to teach in New Orleans.

After a summer-long training program in Texas, she began teaching in mid-August.

According to the Portsmouth

Herald, Kusick has yet to decide whether or not she will ultimately return to her teaching position.

#### NH man with trespassing history at Bowdoin charged with stalking at other schools

According to Channel 3 News of Burlington, Vermont, Scott Nitche of Concord, New Hampshire, faces new charges after having repeatedly been caught trespassing on college campuses in Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire. Bowdoin was one such college.

Nitche, 25, was charged with stalking four young girls in July and for peeping through a bathroom window. While the stalking charges are considered class A misdemeanors, the latter offense is considered a violation.

According to the Channel 3 report, Nitche has also been charged with trespassing on the grounds of a middle school in September, and in August, was accused of knocking on a dorm room door at Bowdoin College and asking the student for aloe vera to treat a sunburn. He has also been charged with violating his bail conditions and missing an arraignment for an earlier prowling charge, the report said.

—Compiled by Miranda Yaver.



Photograph courtesy of the Office of U.S. Senator Olympia J. Snowe

## Conversations with Maine's Political Leaders

Third in a series

This week I spoke with U.S. Senator Olympia J. Snowe about a variety of topics pertaining to the lives of Bowdoin students.

When elected in 1994, Snowe became the second woman ever to represent the state of Maine in the Senate, after the late Senator Margaret Chase Smith. Snowe previously represented Maine's second congressional district in the U.S. House of Representatives for 16 years.

At the age of 31, Snowe was first elected to Congress in 1978 as the youngest Republican woman—and the first Greek-American woman—ever elected to Congress. She is also the first woman in American history to serve in both houses of a state legislature and both houses of Congress. Snowe has won more federal elections in Maine than any other person since World War II.

Now Maine's senior senator, Snowe is currently finishing up her second term and will be up for reelection next November. She has earned a reputation as a centrist

senator and often seeks consensus-based approaches to policymaking. Snowe serves as chairwoman of the Senate Committee on Small Business, and is a member of the Select Committee on Intelligence, the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and the Finance Committee.

Born in Augusta, Snowe was raised in Auburn and attended the University of Maine at Orono. Her father immigrated to America from Mytilene, Greece, and her mother's parents emigrated from Sparta. She is married to former Maine Governor John R. McKernan Jr.

The following includes excerpts of the interview.

**Evan S. Kohn:** Senator, my first question has to do with discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. Issues of discrimination in the state have been discussed on campus a lot recently. You supported an amendment in 1996 that was ultimately defeated, which would have banned discrimination in hiring on the basis of sexual orientation. Do you think this type of legislation should be brought up again on the federal level?

**Senator Olympia J. Snowe:** Well, it certainly could. Obviously, these issues have been best addressed by the state...I don't know whether this legislation will

be introduced again on that question, but it is possible. That was my position, but I think this is best left to the states to determine and in particular for protecting those rights.

**ESK:** My next question has to do with the Supreme Court. In what ways might changes to the court, with now Chief Justice John Roberts and possibly soon-to-be Associate Justice Samuel Alito, in the end affect college students' lives and higher education? Are there any issues up for grabs that you think would be particularly salient with college students?

**SOJS:** That's a good question. It's hard to calculate...what you would expect is for judges to be open-minded, fair, predictable, pragmatic and understanding of the real-life implications of decisions that are made for the average American...So those would be the attributes and qualities that I'm looking for in a justice. You can never predict with certainty how they might rule on a certain question. What you do expect and hope for is that they provide open and fair consideration to every [side] of an issue.

Obviously, I think the chief justice is conservative, and I think the same is true for Judge Alito. But that is not really the issue. The issue is how they are going to apply their philosophy when it comes to

ruling on important issues. That's what you really have to calibrate as a senator and in the process of this confirmation...it's possible to be surprised by the rulings they make or might render, as we've heard about Justice Souter and Justice Kennedy, for example. So you never really know. What you do is look for those qualities. In the case of Judge Alito, obviously we're still exploring his record, and seeing what his questionnaire will tell, and [we'll hear about this more] in the confirmation Senate Judiciary Committee confirmation hearings. So, good question, and I'll be evaluating [those parts] of his record.

**ESK:** Moving onto financial aid, I know you've been a supporter of Pell Grants, having voted for an amendment in late October that was defeated, but would have increased the total possible amount of Pell Grants awarded. There has been concern that recent legislation might hurt the state of financial aid. What are your thoughts on this? Is there anything in particular on your agenda in regards to financial aid?

**SOJS:** The wrong direction would be to cut financial aid to the students who depend upon it. Since the days when I went to the University of Maine, [I have] understood its value. That is why I will continue to champion not only support of student aid and the Pell

Grant program, but also enhancing and expanding it. I obviously don't need to tell you what the costs are for higher education...

One of the first acts I undertook [occurred] when I was a freshman senator during my first year in the United States Senate when I served as a member of the Budget Committee. There were cuts in the Pell Grants program. I wasn't successful on the committee, so I took my initiative to the floor...Then I teamed up with the late Paul Simon, the senator from Illinois—an outstanding individual and great advocate for higher education. He and I collaborated on an amendment, and actually were able to save more money under that amendment than the one that I initially offered...As a result we were able to salvage student aid and the Pell Grant program...that was a major turning point because up to that point in time, there was a thought that we could cut programs like student aid and once we were successful it really wasn't attempted because of significant accomplishments and being able to restore the cuts that had occurred in the Budget Committee. That was a transformational moment for higher education and for the Pell Grant program, recognizing that this program should remain untouchable because it is of

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# Drinking cultures distinctly different in U.S.A., U.K.

by Kathryn Papanek  
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When I arrived for orientation in London, my teachers told me that British students are all crack heads. Ecstasy, they informed me, could be bought anywhere on campus for the equivalent of 30 cents a pill and heroin sometimes for even less, but forget about buying pizza—it costs more than 40 dollars to get it delivered.

Like many of the other students at the orientation, I left London with a rather skewed impression of Oxford University as a place where everyone walked around dressed in all black, taking pills, by the hour and living on beans and rice because pizza was so expensive. However, after spending less than a week at Oxford, I realized that, as my British friends might put it, my teachers were probably "taking the piss."

On the surface at least, Oxford is not too different from America. The signs are in English, you can shop at Gap and Borders, the students are all on facebook.com, and everyone is keen to see the latest episodes of "The OC" and "Desperate Housewives." In fact, it seems so much like home that sometimes it's only when you open your mouth and hear yourself as the

only strident and brassy American accent in a sea of cultured British voices that you realize you're in a foreign country.

Nevertheless, after a few more weeks certain differences do become apparent. Certainly a comparison between Bowdoin's class-based method of teaching and Oxford's more independent tutorial

after a few weeks in Britain that you discover a subtle difference in the way in which alcohol is approached. Because the legal drinking age is 18 and is laxly enforced, many students have had easy access to booze long before they became legal adults. Brits are much more casual about alcohol.

Although you still hear stories about the freshman who got so drunk he cut his head open on the cobblestones before classes had even begun, in general, parties and drinking are more relaxed. Because alcohol is not a novelty, the focus is instead on the crazy costumes and "fancy dress" that are a staple of Oxford college parties and it's only when notice you're draining your fourth vodka tonic that you realize how trashed you're getting. Although that's another thing—British students don't count drinks and anyone informing another student, as I did, that it was 10 p.m. and he was already on his third drink, will no doubt be looked at oddly and told to "chill out."

In many ways then, the chill British parties seem an improvement over the five-shots-in-five-minutes, competitive pre-gaming culture of American drinking, where the focus is often on getting as trashed as possible before heading to the event. However, this relaxed attitude can mask a number of problems. The British may drink less intensely when they do drink, but they definitely drink more frequently than Americans. Alcohol is everywhere at Oxford and with Monday night trips to the pub, to "meet and greet" drink parties for every club from the hockey team to the Tolkien society, it can be impossible to escape.

In a place where you can buy wine from the college kitchens at every meal including breakfast, one has to wonder if this much access is a good thing.

On the other hand, the relaxed attitude makes it much easier for those with willpower to abstain. No one looks askance at you if you order orange juice without the vodka and with no drinking games and no one counting your drinks, it's much easier to stop your count at one. Overall, then, the British way of drinking forces students to take control and make decisions about their own drinking—in short, to act like adults, which is what university students are supposed to be doing anyway.

It can take an effort for Americans used to elaborate pre-gaming rituals with illicitly obtained alcohol to adjust to hearing an 18-year-old casually suggest a trip down to the beer cellar, but it's well worth the effort. The British way of drinking is a great deal of fun and definitely still exciting.

And best of all, takeout pizza actually only costs five pounds.

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system would be both informative and educational. However, it would be perhaps more interesting to discuss an aspect of studying abroad that American students are sometimes accused (unjustly of course) of focusing on unduly—drinking. British students like to drink. So do American students. But it's only

# Addressing flu fears

Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: If I get a flu shot, will it also protect me against the bird flu? -L.E.

Dear L.E.: Probably not—but you should get your flu shot anyway!



As Dr. Gerberding, the Director of the Federal Centers for Disease Control has recently said, pandemic bird flu may well be a "worrisome possibility," but with 13 states already reporting outbreaks of "regular flu," this year's flu season is truly at our doorsteps.

Vaccination remains the single best prevention against a disease which claims over 36,000 lives each year in this country alone.

Avian H5N1 influenza has infected some 100 people worldwide since 2003, and about half of them died. In 1997, a H5N1 outbreak in Hong Kong claimed six lives.

What are the historic and biologic relationships between avian and human flu?

Probably all influenza viruses originated in birds. Wild birds can safely carry a large variety of the viruses without themselves becoming ill. Domesticated birds are far more susceptible. In the case of highly pathogenic subtypes, mortality rates can reach 90 to 100 percent within 48 hours.

Surface proteins on influenza viruses largely determine the virus's infectivity and virulence. Influenza A viruses are subtyped according to their hemagglutinin ("H") and neuraminidase ("N") surface proteins. There are 16 known "H" subtypes and nine known "N" subtypes.

All combinations have been found in birds. Infections with several subtypes do occur in humans, although mostly uncommonly and inefficiently. There are currently only three known subtypes that spread widely among humans (H1N1, H2N2, and H3N2). Each fall, one or the other of them causes outbreaks of "regular," seasonal flu.

Historically speaking, though, their initial appearances were far more significant. They were the causes, respectively, of the 1918-19 "Spanish flu," the 1957-58 "Asian flu," and the 1968-69 "Hong Kong flu" pandemics. The global death toll in the 1918-19 pandemic is thought to have reached 50 million people.

How and why do influenza pandemics occur? Influenza viruses mutate frequently and sometimes rapidly. If more than one subtype co-infects the same host, re-assortment of genetic material can occur among them. Re-assortment can create a new "avian" virus, which has gained the ability to spread easily and directly to humans and among humans. This same process can also occur more gradually through adaptive mutation.

According to the CDC, three conditions must be met for a pandemic to occur. First, a new influenza sub-

type must emerge (to which we have not yet established protective immunity). The new subtype must be capable of infecting humans and of causing serious illness. Third, and very importantly, the new subtype must spread easily among people.

The H5N1 avian influenza virus which has broken out in Asia, and has now spread to Europe, is certainly a new virus for humans. Considering the numbers of birds that have been involved, H5N1 has so far infected very few people (only 100 cases or so). When it has jumped hosts, it has caused very serious illness. In fact, it has remained so lethal that it has not spread efficiently. Transmission has thus far occurred almost exclusively from birds to people. Spread of the virus from one ill person to another has been reported only very rarely, and when it has occurred, it has not continued beyond that second person.

In other words, so far, that critical third step in the genesis of a pandem-



ic has not occurred. Worldwide, concerted efforts are being made to prevent it from ever occurring. Take a look at the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control pandemic flu web pages ([http://www.who.int/csr/disease/avian\\_influenza/en/](http://www.who.int/csr/disease/avian_influenza/en/) and <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/pandemic/>). Or closer to home, the Maine CDC web site ([http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/pandemic\\_flu\\_info.htm](http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/pandemic_flu_info.htm)). Here at Bowdoin, our Campus Emergency Management Team will focus on responding to a pandemic flu outbreak in our annual preparedness exercises in the spring.

In the meantime, L.E., consider this. This year's flu vaccine protects against H3N2 and H1N1 (plus Influenza type B). Maybe the less (human) influenza we all have, the less genetic material will be on hand for rogue (avian) flu to join up with and re-assort. We might be doing our very small part to stop the antigenic drift that would make a virus like H5N1 more infectious to humans. We would certainly also be protecting ourselves against a known and very-soon-to-be-present cause of considerable morbidity and mortality.

We anticipate receiving our next allotment of flu vaccine next week and holding a flu shot clinic the following week.

See you then!

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# A cause for (false) alarm?

by Tanisha Love Ramirez  
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This semester alone, the Department of Safety and Security responded to about 40 fire alarms on campus. Five of these alarms have been at Brunswick Apartments and five at Chamberlain Hall.

So why are there so many fire alarms going off if there aren't any fires?

The alarms set up in each building on campus are highly sensitive. There are obvious triggers such as candles, incense, smoking, and, of course, people manually pulling the alarm. However, many other factors can trigger the alarm. A majority of the alarms received by the Communications Center on campus have been set off by burnt popcorn or other food in residences and campus buildings.

Five times this semester, hair-

care items have caused an alarm to go off. The culprit: hair straighteners, which can easily overheat. This may occur while someone is straightening her hair or even afterwards, when the straightener has been unplugged. The smoke or steam created by the overheating can set off a fire alarm.

In one instance, hair spray was a culprit. According to Manager of Environmental Health and Safety Mark Fisher, aerosol sprays can trigger an alarm. The alarms respond not only to smoke but also to particulates. So when hair spray or other aerosol products are sprayed, they can activate the alarm.

There are two alarm systems in effect on campus, the Metasys system and the Siebe system. Every building on campus is equipped with one of the two sys-

tems. They both essentially work the same way, detecting smoke and particulates that are not supposed to be in the air.

Three buildings on campus have newer versions of alarms in place: East Hall, West Hall, and Coles Tower. Assistant Director of Security Louann Dustin-Hunter said that these dorms are equipped with localized alarms. This means that an alarm will not sound throughout the entire building if only one room or area is experiencing smoke or something out of the ordinary. This has cut down on the amount of evacuations that residents have to go through.

When a localized alarm is set off, it is reported to the Communications Center. A security officer will respond to the alarm and check it out. If by chance another alarm in the same building or in a neighboring area is set off as well, then the fire department will be called, and the full alarm will go off. These alarm systems are much more convenient than the older systems because full buildings do not have to be evacuated because of a small, localized incident. New buildings being built or renovated on campus will be equipped with systems that have the localized alarms.

So what do you do when a fire alarm goes off? We've been learning how to react to fire alarms since the first grade, so some of Security's advice may seem like common sense. The Department of Safety and Security warns that should you hear a fire alarm, you should leave the vicinity in a calm and orderly manner.

There have been instances in which students have become complacent because some students "assume that it is a false alarm," said Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols. Although it may be understandable, since most of the alarms have not been due to an actual fire, one day your building may really be on fire.

Additionally, you can be punished for not evacuating your room when a fire alarm goes off. When an alarm is reported to Security, security officers go into every room to make sure that every student has evacuated the



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

There have been more than 40 false fire alarms on campus this semester.

building. If caught in your room while a fire alarm is going off, you can be cited. These citations are reported to the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs. Other than getting yourself in trouble, such behavior puts others in danger. Nichols noted, "If [students] choose to remain, somebody has to go in to find them."

But it is hard not to become complacent about the fire alarms. When filing out of a building during a fire alarm, you can typically hear students mumbling under their breaths that if and when they find out whose room has caused the alarm, they will find them and

You start to think 'that's nonsense!' And in some places they're never triggered, like at Stowe Inn. It makes you wonder if the alarms there even work," Olin said.

Bowdoin has been fortunate not to have experienced any large fires recently. The last serious fire occurred ten years ago in Brunswick Apartments. A menorah was lit on the windowsill in the E section of the Brunswick Apartments. The menorah tipped over onto a couch, and set the entire apartment section on fire. Luckily, there were no deaths or injuries.

This year, Brunswick Apartments came close to experiencing another fire when a student left a towel on a hot toaster oven. Another student experienced a small grease fire in Smith House.

The holidays bring with them higher risks of fires and alarm triggers. Fisher and Nichols ask that students avoid using real greenery such as trees or wreaths for holiday decorations. If students insist on using real trees and wreaths, the greenery must be treated with fire retardant materials.

If any lights are going to be used it is recommended that they be LED lights because they do not generate heat and don't ever burn out. Fisher and Nichols also ask that students take the candles prohibition seriously.

For further fire safety tips that focus especially on holiday decorations, students can go to <http://www.bowdoin.edu/security/safety/reference.shtml>

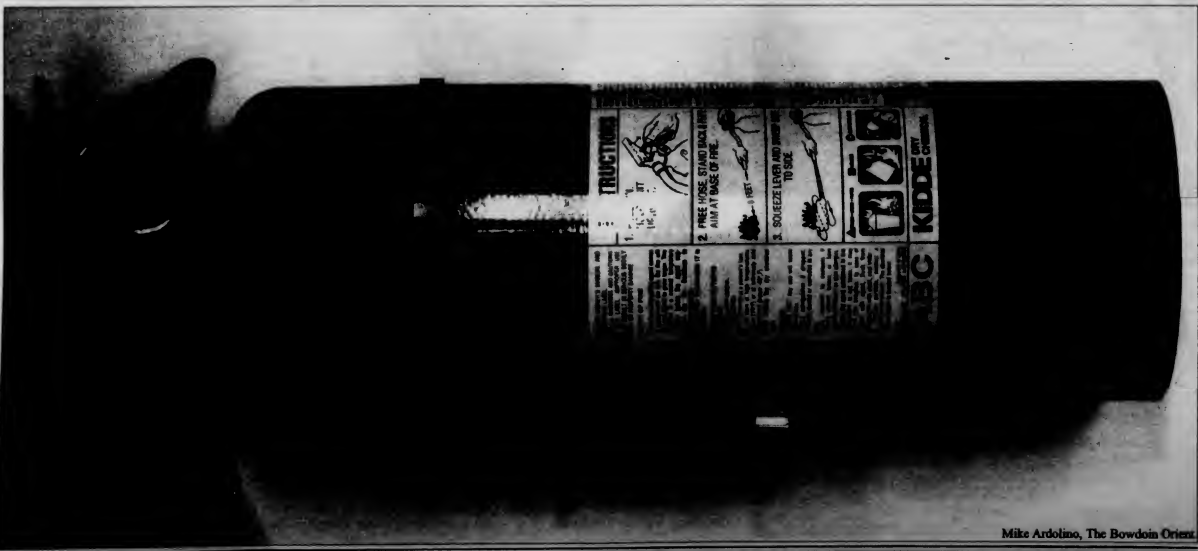
*You can be punished  
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your room when a fire  
alarm goes off.*

make sure they pay. False alarms become irritating, especially when the alarms are so sensitive as to pick up on hair spray. It is almost inconvenient, but then again, real fires aren't ever convenient. Daphney Olin '06, who has experienced several false alarms in her own residence halls and those of her friends, said, "You never know when a fire is going to occur, so it is helpful. But they're easily triggered, and that's not good, because you'll be in the middle of typing a paper, or sleeping and then the alarm goes off."

"The fire alarms go off for no reason, when I'm just chillin'.



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# Senator Olympia J. Snowe pledges to 'champion' push for student aid



Courtesy of the Office of U.S. Senator Olympia J. Snowe

Maine's senior senator, Olympia J. Snowe, meets with Samuel A. Alito Jr., nominee for associate justice of the Supreme Court, on November 16, 2005 in her Washington office.

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such value to...students across this country.

It really does bridge the income gap in America in many ways, because without the opportunity to access higher education, many people would be left behind in America...I think we have an obligation at the federal level to ensure that the goal [of access to higher education] is preserved and embraced and enhanced. So, I am a strong advocate and will continue to be a voice of support for higher education programs and to help working families and low-income families so they can have the opportunity for economic independence and security.

My father was from Greece, and for my family there was no way to have access [to higher education]. He died when I was really young, but the point was that they aspired to come to this country so I could have the benefit of educational programs. They came to this country to seek opportunity and they recognized that education was key to that opportunity...the only way we could have benefited from a college education was to have access to student aid....It really does make the difference for so many young people to access the American dream.

ESK: I'd like to ask about the Brunswick Naval Air Station (BNAS). Since its announced closing, there has been a lot of talk about different redevelopment plans. In a recent interview with the Orient, Speaker of the Maine State

House John Richardson said he thought some land ought to be considered for transfer to Bowdoin. How do you envision the air station in 10 years?

SOJS: Hopefully it will be a decision by the community itself. I know that this is a very significant and ongoing discussion, as it should be. It is a monumental transformation to the community, and it will be important to determine what path will accomplish [the community's] goals and what they anticipate the future benefits to both communities, both Brunswick and Topsham, and the Mid-coast region [could be]. I think it will be a center of economic revitalization. It has exceptional attributes such as the runways, and obviously it could support new infrastructure and new housing. New businesses will have an incentive to locate there.

There is so much potential for a redevelopment plan....I know that they've already had many offers from different types of companies...the local redevelopment authority [has many contacts]...there is a wide-ranging opportunity that that facility affords. There is not only much land area, but infrastructure. I could see the Defense Department continuing to have a role...I could foresee [the BNAS site becoming] a major centerpiece for the Mid-coast region, without question. It may take some time, but it will happen. I have no doubts about that. It really has extraordinary value...the infrastructure is all in top-notch condition. So there's prime real estate and prime infrastructure.

ESK: Well it will be interesting to see how the process evolves.

SOJS: It will be. After you graduate, you can come back and remember how it was. Hopefully, you will see a major change. It takes a considerable amount of planning and resources and collaboration between the local, state, and federal [levels] to make it possible. That's why I think the Local Redevelopment Authority is so central to this revitalization and to the development of the property...It is so important to move in a direction that is supported by the community itself...In the final analysis, I think there will be multiple opportunities to maximize the benefits of the naval air station to its fullest.

ESK: The last issue I would like to discuss is energy. In a Commerce Committee hearing two weeks ago, you questioned big oil company executives about their recent record-breaking profits. Do you think the hearing made it clear why energy prices have been so high? Bowdoin has predicted it will need to go \$1 million over budget this winter for energy costs. What do you think the prospects are for energy prices in Maine?

SOJS: That's one of my major concerns. It remains to be unknown exactly how much energy increases will cost over the course of the winter...by all measures and standards they have been devastating to Maine families and to anyone who lives in cold weather. So, I'm concerned about it. I've been leaving no stone unturned along with other members of the delegation...[When] I hear oil executives

attempting to explain why this hasn't been price gouging—that's something I do not accept.

Frankly, one step I did take in the tax bill was to repeal one tax benefit that [oil companies] currently get in the tax code, because they indicated that they don't need the tax break. So, in that case we ought to repeal it...They are registering record profits not only for their own industry, but also in corporate America's history because of the amount of revenue that they have generated. This is very unusual. In my view, [this] is highly questionable and suspect that [it has happened] during a very difficult time in our nation's history from the devastation of the hurricanes in the Gulf region. What we saw was a monumental [increase] in energy prices...so I've [attempted] to repeal this tax break, [and to not repeal it] would be regrettable. The executives themselves acknowledged that they do not need this incentive, and I thought well they certainly don't need it with the prices this high...

In any event, I'm very much concerned about this winter...we have to be prepared, and I want a state like Maine to have the ability to purchase oil...We want to put more money in the hands of the state. I regret that we haven't been able to accomplish that at this point. I hope by the end of this session, when we return in December, that additional money will be [in] the appropriations bill.

ESK: I know you voted for an amendment a few weeks ago that would work to prevent price goug-

ing. Will you push for this more?

SOJS: Yes, I am. We need to [look more] at what happened.

ESK: So will you be running for re-election to the Senate next November? I've heard rumors that you might run for governor.

SOJS: No that's not true (laughter). I'm running for reelection [to the Senate], but not for governor. I think that's where I could best serve the people of Maine in my role on the Finance Committee, and the years that I've gotten in my seniority [will] help me to play a pivotal role on behalf of my constituents. We need to develop a consensus-based approach to many of the policy initiatives that will attempt to solve the problems of this country. Unfortunately, it's been a much more polarizing, partisan environment in Washington...My upbringing is reflected in the way in which I approach the issues in the United States Senate. I think we need to continue that consensus-based approach.

ESK: Last question. There is a Bowdoin-Colby hockey game coming up. Who might you be rooting for?

SOJS: Oh my gosh (laughter). Is it okay if I remain on the sidelines for that one?

ESK: Fair enough. Thank you for taking the time to do an interview, Senator.

SOJS: I'm glad we could; thank you.

Look for another Evan Kohn interview with one of Maine's political leaders in the near future.



# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

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The Bowdoin Orient

## Dancers step into winter show



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Anna Troyansky performed with her Dance 112/Introductory Repertory classmates in "Crunch," a piece they helped choreograph, at the December Dance Concert last night in Pickard Theater.

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

At the premiere of the December Dance Concert last night, the performers fused a diverse collection of dance numbers to create one cohesive show. The Bowdoin College Department of Theater and Dance presented the first of three performances of the concert—the others will happen tonight and tomorrow night at 8:00 p.m. in Pickard Theater.

The 11 dances, which were choreographed by students and faculty, draw influence from a wide range of dance genres, including Romanian dance, hip-hop, step dancing, and jazz.

The show's opening number, "Cimpoi," a Romanian dance named after the bagpipe that traditionally accompanies it, was performed by students of Dance 101/Cultural Choreographies. The dancers, who stood in lines and held hands, kept their faces virtually motionless, drawing attention to the rhythm of their precise foot-steps. Accordion, drum, and clarinet players accompanied the dancers on stage and provided the melody for their dance.

Sophomore Becca Seldon, who performed in "Cimpoi," said that last night was her first time to perform in a dance

concert at Bowdoin and that finally having a real audience increased the energy level of the performers. She expects that at tonight's performance, the dancers will be able to learn from last night, and the show should be "better than ever."

Following the structured Romanian step-dance in stark contrast, Jillian Grunnah '06 and Tawana Patterson '06 shared the spotlight in their own creation "A

number, the dancers, who wore jeans and solid-colored shirts, ran onto stage and put on red backpacks, which were donated by L.L. Bean.

After performing an artistic interpretation of a hike, the stage transitioned to a classroom setting, complete with several desks and chairs. As performers flipped through books, a voiceover recited formulas for the proper MLA citation of various types of sources. Later in the piece, several laptop com-

puters were set on the front of the stage. The performers picked them up, and walked upstage with them. As the lights dimmed, the last image the audience saw was several glowing, white screens, floating in the

dark.

Alicia White '07 is a member of Dance 101 and Unity step team, and performed in a number with each group last night. White was particularly impressed with the ability for all the dancers in the show to come together as a community for the December Dance Concert. She said that before full-group rehearsals and shows, all the dancers warm up together and give each other back rubs. She felt that the concert was truly a show, not just a collection of disjoint, individual performances.

"[We] feel like one big dance company," she said.

## Crickets Restaurant one for the birds

by Leslie Bridgers  
STAFF WRITER

I know your situation: you're a sophomore girl with a senior boyfriend who lives off-campus. He spent the five bucks to take you to the junior-senior ball, and you have nothing to wear (read: you really want to buy something new). There's no time for boutiques in the Old Port, and let's face it, the Maine Mall sucks. Your only reasonable option? Freeport, of course.

While Daddy's credit card is out of the wallet, you might as well let him take you and the girls you blocked with in Chamberlain (read: your freshman hall-mates that you don't even know why you ever liked) out to dinner. But where to go?

You could opt for Freeport's version of China Rose, but you've got loyalties.

Now you've passed through town, you're almost to the highway, and there it is: Crickets. "Fresh local seafood and much more." Couldn't be bad, right? Well, if you're not opposed to a wonderful night of vomiting, I suggest you stop in.

Driving into a parking lot full of pick-up trucks with Maine plates, you immediately see that Crickets is neither a tourist trap nor does it compete with the dining room at the Harasack. The interior is more reminiscent of a Marriott Inn restaurant, with a confused décor of Christmas lights, beer ads, and not-quite-Van Gogh sunflower paintings.

Though there are no beds upstairs, you might feel the need to book a room in town after a cocktail or two. Though the Tanqueray and tonics came slowly, they also came strong. The restaurant's full bar features a small selection of wines, a decent assortment of mid-range bottled beers, and three varieties of Geary's on tap for \$3.95 a glass.

For appetizers, Crickets offers everything seafood: steamed mussels and clams, shrimp cocktails, seafood cakes, and, in accordance with what seems to be a state law, chowdah. The "much more" of the restaurant's slogan refers to Mexican cuisine with chili nachos and cheese quesadillas—no fear, you can add lobster to those as well.

The main menu has several choices from both land and sea. The meats (a decent herb-flavored duck, top sirloin, and the menu's over-promoted flat-iron steak) are all served with a vegetable and choice of starch. There are ordinary offerings of pasta and chicken dishes ranging in price from \$9.95 to \$18.95. For the roommate that would have rather gone to China Rose, Crickets comes through with an Oriental sesame chicken stir fry.

Scallops, shrimp, and haddock dominate the menu. All are available crumbed, deep-fried, and served with French fries and coleslaw. Sea scallops also come baked with a lemon and tarragon seasoning, and the haddock can be baked and/or

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## Rumor is true: Blonde ales have more fun

by Carter Thomas  
COLUMNIST

BUZZARD'S BAY GOLDEN ALE—(\$7.99 for a six-pack, available at select Massachusetts retailers)

Widely renowned as one of Cape Cod's best brewing companies, Buzzard's Bay does not disappoint with this American Blonde Ale, delivering a beer that tastes like it is half lager, half pale. It exudes a bright golden color, offering insight into the mysterious title: "Golden Ale." The taste can be characterized as having the strong presence of a lager while exhibiting the subtle flavorings and thin texture of a pale ale—a sensory bonanza akin to hearing Nirvana play "Somewhere over the Rainbow." What I liked most about this beer is that it never overpowered my taste buds, allowing for an unquenchable yet satisfying experience unlike many other high-end beers I have sampled. This beer is definitely considered a sweet brew even though the sweetness doesn't expose

itself until the aftertaste. All in all, I would recommend this to anyone who is in the Massachusetts area and is looking to get loose. Though Buzzard's Bay has other terrific beers, the Golden Ale is worth checking out. *My Scores: Taste: 4.0, Partyability: 1.9, Benefit/Cost: 3.8.*

ENDURANCE PALE ALE—(\$8.99 for a six-pack, available at select Massachusetts retailers)

During my Thanksgiving vacation, I had a lot to be thankful for—endless gravy and free beer. I stumbled upon this eye-catching American Pale Ale while hunting for the evening beverages. I was attracted by its reference to Shackleton's incredible voyage to the Antarctic. The color is a bit different than most other pale ales I have come across, radiating more oranges than yellows. When poured, I also noticed that this beer is cloudier than most, perhaps in honor of the cloudy weather the crew of the Endurance surely faced. This beer had a moderately strong taste of hops and was compli-

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# Line cashes in on legend, but Capote substantially richer



by Gabe  
Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

Last year, *Ray* dazzled audiences with a dexterous performance by Jamie Foxx and a story bolstered by the truly remarkable escapades of pianist Ray Charles. And once again, just in time for this year's holidays (and Oscar deadline), tales of successful but troubled men are, like, so in.

This season, another weathered musician and a brilliant but self-indulgent writer frame the current

biographical offerings in *Walk the Line* and *Capote*. Like two sides of the often risky and frequently rigid biopic coin, both films tout a "blemishes and all" look at their subject's personalities and promise impressive portrayals by first-rate actors. But where *Walk the Line* keeps its protagonist's blemishes skin-deep and wields a heavy dosage of nostalgic sheen, *Capote* lets the shortcomings of its title character slowly emerge through the lens of one intensely chilling event. It is *Capote*, with its lingering and coarse sincerity, which, between the two, surfaces as the most intriguing portrait of a man.

As far as stellar performances go, both movies deliver. In *Walk the Line*, Joaquin Phoenix and Reese Witherspoon are spot on as the eventual romantic and musical duo of Johnny Cash and June Carter. Cutting all the musical numbers with their actual voices, the two shine most vividly during the concert scenes, maintaining an authenticity that the dramatic interludes never quite match.

Philip Seymour Hoffman deserves equal if not greater praise for his assimilation of Truman Capote, a novelist obsessed with a case of small town murder and criminal identity that would eventually form the foundation for his journalistic opus, *In Cold Blood*.

Hoffman's flourishes of intellectual snide come softened with the forlorn glare of a social outsider, making his portrayal a checkerboard of nuanced eccentricity and shocking narcissism. As Capote toils away over his book and exploits the trust of the alleged killer and subject of his writing, the audience becomes both sympathetic to his malice and frustrated by it. It is this active participation that makes *Capote* feel so real, and lack of which that makes *Walk the Line* seem so sterile.

Of course, Cash's life was not without its low points, and *Line* does not shy away from this fact. A burst of fame and the newfound intensity of the tour circuit cut a mortal wound between Cash and his family, facilitating the inevitable descent into alcoholism and a mean narcotic dependency. The problem

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*Capote* tells the story of novelist Truman Capote and his experience writing about the grisly, small-town murder that inspired *In Cold Blood*.

is that *Line* also feels the need to literalize Cash's origins through conventionally exhausting time frame

pinning for father's elusive approval. It matters not that Cash's actual life followed the well-worn cinematic arch of loss, drug abuse, and boyish despair; to explain so pointedly the nature of Cash's struggle is to condense a man into a character, a legend into an encyclo-

pedic entry. The film's allusion to ambiguity serves counter-intuitively: it makes Cash's trials, discoveries, and even his music seem oddly

and ultimately shallow storytelling style. Along with the depictions of the demons of stardom, the audience sees the childhood death of Cash's brother and its implications for a son already

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courtesy of www.movieweb.com

*Walk the Line* chronicles Johnny Cash's musical career and his tumultuous, often painful, relationship with country singer June Carter.

## The wines that keep on giving

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNIST

Greetings, dear readers, and a toast to my final wine column of the semester.

I would like to make a few notes on giving wine as a gift as we enter the holiday season. A bottle of wine makes a wonderful gift for several reasons. It's something that can keep for a long time (at least several months if stored properly). You can buy something really special for relatively little money, as \$20.00 gets you a much better bottle of wine than bouquet of flowers. A bottle of wine can save the day of a host who didn't buy enough (or any) libations for the holiday party. Finally, bringing a bottle of wine ensures that your holiday gathering will have a (sometimes necessary) social lubricant available. There are only two instances



where a bottle of wine is not a good choice for a gift. The first is if your "giftee" is a teetotaler. If you're unsure you can always bring some tasty nibbles (sweet or savory) which would go with wine. The other instance is the very wealthy wine snob. You'll never be able to afford something that would impress such a person. Again, I suggest comestibles geared toward wine.

If you're not really confident about what you want to buy, we, here in Brunswick, are in luck. There are literally dozens of small wine shops all with very unique and affordable wines within a half hour's drive and at least two in walking distance of campus. This is definitely the time to take advantage of the staffers' knowledge. These ladies and gentlemen are delighted to help you pick out the perfect gift for your parents, friends, or random acquaintance.

Below are my two favorite picks for the holiday season.

**ENRIQUE FOSTER 2002 RESERVA MALBEC** (Approximately \$20.00 at The Clown in Portland)

This may be the best red wine I've had all year. In accord, my tasters and I adored it. It has a "warm, subtle" taste that blends rich dried fruit flavors with a moderately spicy finish. We enjoyed our bottle with pizza, but it would be a wonderful meal pairing with any rich meat dish or with warm hors d'oeuvres. The woman who sold me the bottle said that while the regular (and cheaper) Malbec was very good, the reserva was "really special." I wholeheartedly agree and urge anyone who likes reds to buy this.

**CHATEAU STE. MICHELLE 2000 SEMILLON** (Priced to impress at \$8.99 at Shaw's in Brunswick)

The Semillon is a traditional wine of Washington; one of the hottest wine regions in the States. This particular Semillon delighted my tasters, although we did not agree as to the taste. My tasters mostly felt that the wine tasted "like some kind of Christmas tree, blue spruce?" While they debated what kind of tree the wine tasted like, I found it to be sweet and leafy rather than woody. It is heavier than other whites I've had, but this does not make it unpleasant as with some whites. I would definitely enjoy this with shellfish, pasta or noodle dishes.

## Upcoming Events...

-As Fast As w/ John Nolan & Melvern Taylor

Where: The Space Gallery, 539 Congress St., Portland.  
When: December 23 at 8:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$12.00 at Bull Moose, or at Space Gallery the night of the show.

-Avenged Sevenfold w/ CKY & Eighteen Visions

Where: The State Theater, 609 Congress Street, Portland.  
When: January 31 at 7:30 p.m.  
Tickets: \$17.50. Available at the Cumberland Country Civic Center box office, or by calling (207) 775-3331.

## WBOR 91.1 FM DJ OF THE WEEK



Kyle Petrie '06 and Antwan Phillips '06

What is the best song ever made?

KP: "Dead Presidents (extended)," by Jay-Z.

AP: I ain't no hater or nothin', but "He Can't Love You Like I Can, Trust Me," by Jagged Edge.

Who is the greatest living musician?

KP: Kanye West.

AP: Alicia Keyes for three reasons: (1) Sings like Patti LaBelle, (2) Plays the Piano like Mozart, (3) She is fine enough to be my girl.

What was the first album you ever bought?

KP: Nevermind, by Nirvana.

AP: J.E. Heartbreak, by Jagged Edge.

What was the best show you've ever seen live?

KP: Red Hot Chili Peppers and Foo Fighters.

AP: 50 cent, G-Unit and Fabolous.

If you were dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?

KP: "Damn," by Youngbloodz.

Don't start no (expletive), won't be no (expletive).

AP: "For the Hood," by Young Jeezy; "In My Hood," by Fabolous...It's one thing to be from the hood, its another thing to be for the hood.

If you were onstage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?

KP: "don't confuse me with the suckas, cuz when i spit you can hear more 'ooooooooo' than when skip to my lou move at the rucka..."

AP: "Oh, I think they like me."

What song pumps you up?

KP: "I'll Beat Yo Ass," by Crime Mob.

AP: "We Ain't Scared," by Lil Flip.

What song brings you down?

KP: "God's Bathroom Floor," by Atmosphere.

AP: "Dear Mama," by 2Pac.

Petrie and Phillips can be heard on "Still Tippin'," Final Crunkyear (Mo' Than Music)," 9:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Sunday nights on WBOR 91.1 FM.

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## Capote and Cash headline latest biopics

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insignificant. When Phoenix dons the trademark black suit en route to the "triumphant" Folsom Prison concert, Cash's famous attire ceases to be an embodiment of his polar identity, becoming instead the very denial of it, a mere visual cue for proper filmic resolution. By movie's end, we, the audience, do indeed feel as though we know Cash's cinematic doppelganger. Unfortunately, we also feel like there was not much to know in the first place.

*Capote*, on the other hand, smartly limits itself to a very short and potent portion of the writer's life. The depths of Mr. Capote's psyche are plumbed not hurriedly by the filmmakers in spurts of time travel, but by the viewer himself, piecing together Truman's deepest fears and

desires through Hoffman's mannerisms, social conduct, and manipulation of the truth. While he quests to complete the first "non-fiction novel," the film points out that Capote is oblivious to his own damaging nature. His acute sense of "truth" in his work shields the inability to truly understand himself.

What *Capote* remembers (and what *Walk the Line* forgets), is that the man it presents was and is larger than life. Capote enraptures because it allows Truman's malevolence to rival and even overtake his brilliance, a victory far more remarkable than Cash's in *Walk the Line*. Both films tell stories of men, but *Capote* submits and proves the notion that the man who uses vice as an escape is far less intriguing than the man who cannot escape vice.

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## Crickets nothing to chirp about

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stuffed.

The back of the menu lists a Bubba Gump-style catalog of lobster dishes. There's lobster stew, lobster roll, lobster salad, lobster melt, lobster club, sautéed lobster, lobster feast, lobster dinner...you get the point.

While my land-lubber companion enjoyed a salty cheese-encrusted onion soup and a decent duck dish with some slightly disappointing mashed potatoes, I opted to find out what this seafood was all about. After adding a serving of salt that couldn't have been good for my blood pressure, the clam chowder wasn't bad.

I followed with a similarly heavy and bland seafood fettuccine. Though the local shrimp, scallops, lobster, and mussels were all succulent, I couldn't help but wonder if it was only in relation to the flavorless yet still nauseating Alfredo sauce that had me fleeing to the bathroom at the mention of dessert.

Crickets isn't the worst restaurant in the world, but I suggest you save yourself the gas money and not bother. It shouldn't be hard to find a comparably priced and comparably mediocre meal in Brunswick.

Oh, and just go ahead and re-wear that dress from last year's gala; nobody remembers.

## Endurance pales in comparison to Buzzard's Bay ale

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mented well with a citrus splash—perhaps a tribute to the seamen's efforts to fend off scurvy by devouring citrus fruits. To be perfectly honest, Endurance wasn't the most outstanding pale ale I have ever had. But it is hard to resist a beer that pays homage to arguably the most incredible survival story of all time. Is this six-pack worth the money? Debatable. But I'm pretty sure if I were ever stranded on an iceberg with 15 other guys, this would be the brew I would wish for. *My scores: Taste: 3.0, Partyability: 2.2 (at school), 4.0 (on some sort of ship), Benefit/Cost: 2.0.*

ICEHOUSE (\$4.99 for a 12-pack of tall boys at Hannaford)

This macro lager is straight out of the "You won't buy that" area of the refrigerator, right between Colt 45 and Schaffer. I found, however, that this beer was not nearly as bad as people made it out to be. The best description I could give would be that this brew is what beer tasted like before they knew how to make top shelf stuff like Sam Adams or Geary's. Icehouse does have a bit of a disagreeable metallic aftertaste, but what do you expect from beer that could be sold by the gallon at a price lower than a bottle of Shipyard? Another point to make is that Icehouse throws down 5.5 percent alcohol by volume which is about halfway between regular beer and ice-style beer. Also, because these come in 16-22-ounce containers, a 12-pack will undoubtedly take you to the (ice)house. I would recommend this beer for anyone who wants to save some money, drink a lot, and convince your friends that all bottom shelf beers are not all created equal. Or nostalgic students looking to remember the good old days of high school. *My Scores: Taste: 1.2, Partyability: 4.3, Benefit/Cost: 4.6.*

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# SPORTS

## Field hockey finishes 18-1 after NCAA DIII Final Four

by Burgess LePage  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Field Hockey Team lost 2-1 in its first-ever NCAA Semifinal appearance. Messiah College ended Bowdoin's best season in school history. The Polar Bears end their season with a 18-1 record.

True to the spirit of Final Four competition, the two teams were evenly matched. The Polar Bears got on the board first with a goal midway through the first half off a give-and-go between junior Taryn King and senior Margaret Gormley, the latter hitting the ball past the Messiah keeper.

Kate Leonard '07 and Gormley lived up to their reputations on the defense, diligently pushing back Messiah's offensive efforts. Bowdoin's defense allowed only one goal in the first half, despite numerous Falcon attempts. Bowdoin started the second half strong, but a Messiah goal with 29 minutes remaining, proved too much for the Polar Bears.

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Margaret Gormley '06 collects the ball off a pass from Taryn King '07 to score Bowdoin's lone goal against Messiah College at Washington & Lee University.

## Women fall to USM

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

This year's women's basketball team has some very big shoes to fill. For the past five years, the team has finished at the top of the NESCAC and in the last four years the Polar Bears have advanced to the NCAA Elite Eight, finishing second in 2004.

But the 2005-2006 women's basketball team, ranked third in the nation as of last week, seems poised to carry on the torch. With the experience and leadership of senior co-captains Vanessa Russell, Justine Pouravelis, and Lauren Whitey, the team is preparing to face its NESCAC rivals beginning in January.

The season began with the Eastern Tip-Off Tournament on November 19-20. The first day, the Polar Bears easily defeated Endicott 75-29, ensuring them a place in the finals of the tournament.

Bowdoin faced off with the host of the tournament, the Eastern Connecticut Warriors, the next day, snapping up a 72-39 victory and the championship title. The game was close in the first half, but the

Polar Bears got fired up in the second and scored 46 points in the final 20 minutes.

The Bears have some strong first years joining their ranks. Forward Jill Anelauskas '09 scored nine points and made eight rebounds in the team's first game against Endicott, and contributed 16 points in the championship game against Eastern Connecticut—proving to be a strong addition. She received Most Outstanding Player honors for her performance at the tournament.

Pouravelis, Eileen Flaherty '07, and Julia Loonin, '07 also received All-Tournament Honors.

The team upheld its longest home-court winning streak in the nation at home on November 22 with their 56th consecutive win in Morrill Gymnasium. The Polar Bears dominated the University of New England, cruising past them with a 95-49 win. Flaherty led the team with 18 points, and Anelauskas again proved herself a formidable addition to the offense, scoring 17 points overall.

Bowdoin faced the University of  
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## Men's basketball beats Colby-Sawyer for fifth win

The men's basketball team improves to 5-1 with a 68-65 victory over Colby-Sawyer

by Mario N. López  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Basketball Team is off to a promising start. The Polar Bears improved to 5-1 last night with a 68-65 victory over Colby-Sawyer. Sophomore Andrew Hippert secured the win with two free-throws in the last five seconds of the game.

The Polar Bears carried a comfortable lead for most of the game until the last 14 minutes of the game, when the Chargers staged a strong comeback. Colby-Sawyer never fully recovered from Bowdoin's early point rack-up.

Babson handed Bowdoin its only loss in the Polar Bears' first game of the season at the Invitational Tournament on November 18.

Babson beat the Polar Bears 71-57, despite Bowdoin's early 17-10 lead midway through the first half. The Beavers stole the lead with less than five minutes remaining the half. They would go on to add six more points to the Bowdoin deficit to post a 31-24 halftime score.

The Polar Bears were unable to recover in the second half and could only watch their opponent continue to put the ball in the hoop. Bowdoin trailed by 12 with only ten minutes left on the clock. With a few more baskets the Beavers saw their biggest lead of the game, with a score of 59-

45. The Polar Bears came within seven points of Babson's lead, but their late rally was not enough.

Senior Kyle Petrie recorded a team-high 19 points, shooting 50 percent from the field and a perfect 100 percent from the free throw line. Junior forward Jac Arbour collected a double-double, scoring 15 points and snatching 11 rebounds.

Bowdoin bounced back from the defeat to get its first victory of the season against Whittier College. The Polar Bears earned third place at the Invitational with a 78-58 victory in the consolation game. Petrie led the troops once more with 21 points, earning himself All-Tournament Team honors. Shooting guard Hippert contributed 19 points in the blowout victory, while junior point guard Kevin Bradley added 15 of his own and seven assists.

Coming off the split on the road, Bowdoin returned home to play the University of New England on November 22. The Polar Bears were victorious in their home-opener, serving the Nor'easters their second loss of the year. Both teams played a solid first half, as Bowdoin entered the locker room with just a one-point lead.

Coach Tim Gilbride's fierce halftime speech set Hippert on fire and he came out scorching the net from beyond the arc in the second period. The sophomore cashed in three baskets from deep early in the second half and finished with a team-high 19 points and six assists. Petrie added 13 points and ten rebounds, while Bradley contributed ten points to the 76-58 win.

Bowdoin pushed to a three-game

winning streak and a 2-0 home record after defeating the University of Maine-Presque Isle on November 26. The Polar Bears demolished the winless Owls by a score of 100-30. Andrew Sargeantson '08 shot over 50 percent from the field to lead all players with 20 points. Jordan Fliegel '08 scored a career-high 19 points with eight rebounds, while Bradley scored 14, and Arbour ten.

Bowdoin forced more Presque Isle turnovers, 31, than allowed points, 30. The Polar Bears also blocked seven shots and had 23 steals as a team. Bowdoin also out-rebounded the Owls 50-25.

Bowdoin faced a greater challenge against the University of Southern Maine on Tuesday. Petrie led the squad to its fourth consecutive win with his second 19-point game of the season, also adding six more rebounds to his career stats. Junior John Goodridge added a career-high 14 points on 6-for-9 shooting from the field.

Bowdoin never trailed in the contest and had a 57-47 lead with 12 minutes remaining in the game. The Huskies did find their way back though, eventually evening out the score to 67. The Polar Bears then managed a two-point lead with two and a half minutes left to play. A Petrie money ball and a few final free throws sealed Bowdoin's victory, and the Polar Bears finished on top by a score of 80-71.

The Polar Bears depart Brunswick to face the University of Maine Maritime tomorrow afternoon and will then visit archival Bates College on Tuesday, December 6.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient  
Sophomore Jordan Fliegel moves past a defender in last night's game.

# Swimming teams overcome Babson, but lose to MIT



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Michelle Filteau works on her breaststroke during practice.

by Katie Yankura  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's swimming teams commenced their official season with a meet against Babson and MIT on Sunday, December 19.

The women drowned Babson 213-

70, but lost narrowly to MIT 152-139. Going into the final event, the 200 freestyle relay, the Bears were just one point behind the MIT Engineers, but a disappointing second-place finish gave MIT the victory.

The team had strong individual races. Junior Megan McLean swept both the 100 butterfly and 100

freestyle, while sophomore Carrie Roble took first in the 50 freestyle and 50 butterfly. First year rookie Liz Dann dominated the breaststroke events, winning both the 50 and 100.

The men's team replicated the women's results with a 188-90 victory over Babson and a 183.5-104.5 loss to MIT. First year Dave Swanson solidified his position as a top new sprinter by sweeping both the 50 butterfly and 50 freestyle events and taking second place in the 50 breaststroke. The team also demonstrated its added depth with a first place finish in the 200 freestyle relay and second and third place finishes in the 400 medley relay. The winning 200 relay included Swanson and seniors Carter Thomas, Roger Burleigh, and Jason Lewis.

The Polar Bears, who started official practices November 1, were at a slight disadvantage, as both MIT and Babson have been training since early October.

Coach Brad Burnham believes the team's performance bodes well for its future success.

"I was very pleased with the way things went against Babson and MIT. We are less than three weeks into the season; they have been at it for about eight weeks, and it is always tough to swim them so early in our season but the team was outstanding in so many areas," he said.

# Squash teams sweep



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The squash teams defeated Tufts and Connecticut College last weekend.

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
CONTRIBUTOR

The new players enjoyed their first matches.

Both the men's and women's squash teams improved to 2-0 after defeating Tufts University and Connecticut College last weekend at Harvard. The women breezed by both opponents, winning eight of the nine matches against Tufts and five of six to Connecticut (due to a lack of players, Connecticut forfeited three of their matches). After three hours of intense matchplay, the men beat an unexpectedly strong Tufts team six matches to three, and won their Connecticut match 9-0.

Although the loss of five strong team members (two to the field hockey team, two to semesters abroad, and one to a hamstring injury) was nerve-racking for the women, it gave Margaret Fuller '06 the chance to play in some matches and forced the new players to step up for the team.

Molly Dorkey '06 expressed her satisfaction with the events of the day.

"A lot of people pulled through at clutch times, especially the freshmen," she said. "When we're all back at Bowdoin in the winter, we will be a force to be reckoned with."

Captain Niki Clement '06 agreed, saying, "We went in there with a positive attitude, which helped us a lot."

"I was really nervous, but once I got on court, the butterflies went away a little and I had a good time," Emma Powers '09 said.

"Just hitting out and concentrating on my rails helped me with my nerves," said fellow first year Alexandra Franceschi.

Although the men were equally satisfied with their victories, their minds are on the future.

"We were pleased with our performance overall against two much improved teams, but we need to keep working if we want to be successful against our top rivals," Captain Nick Adams '06 said.

The first years on the men's team demonstrated their considerable talent in the weekend's matches.

"This weekend was a good start for the freshmen," said Captain Bruce Saltzman '06. "They showed a lot of potential for the upcoming season, and they'll just get better as the season goes on."

This weekend, the men and women's team will split up. The Men will head to a tournament at Yale and the women will face Middlebury, Wellesley, William Smith, Stanford, and Mount Holyoke at Wesleyan.

# Sox revived by key acquisitions

Sports Commentary

by Joel Samen  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Red Sox landed some big fish over Thanksgiving, and this might only be the start.

On November 25, the Sox officially announced the acquisition of right-handed pitchers Josh Beckett and Guillermo Mota, and third baseman Mike Lowell from the Florida Marlins. In return, the Marlins received two coveted prospects, shortstop Hanley Ramirez and right-handed pitcher Anibal Sanchez, along with the lesser-known minor league right-handers Jesus Delgado and Harvey Garcia.

This is an absolutely monumental trade. By relinquishing contracts to two solid prospects and an additional two relative unknowns, the Red Sox gain three players who have proven themselves regularly on the major league stage.

Beckett has showed himself to be a perennial Cy Young candidate at the age of 25, shelving the World Series MVP in 2003. In 103 major league starts, he has posted a 41-34 record and an impressive 3.46 earned run average. And at such a ripe age, accompanied by the tutelage of sage ace Curt Schilling and the knowledgeable Jason Varitek as his catcher, the young pitcher is primed for great times ahead.

Lowell is coming off of an unpro-

ductive year offensively, having posted a .236 average with only eight home runs and 58 runs batted in last season, but he did manage to snag a Gold Glove award for his defensive capabilities at third base. With an average of .280, 25 home runs, and 95 runs batted in over the previous five years, last year could easily have just been a glitch in an otherwise prosperous career.

During his career with the L.A. Dodgers as a set-up man for the lights-out closer Eric Gagne from 2002 until 2004, Mota was dominant. Sporting an ERA of 2.67 over that span, he provided the perfect link between starter and closer. Although he faltered during his one and a half seasons with the Marlins, there is hope that he can find a niche in the Boston bullpen and strengthen one of the 2005 Red Sox weaknesses.

This move may only be the beginning of influential changes for the Boston Red Sox over the next few weeks. With baseball's winter meetings in Dallas starting December 5, it is possible that the team will announce a new General Manager within the next few days. Matters of great importance to the Red Sox will most likely be discussed at the meetings, including the trading of left fielder Manny Ramirez and the signing of free agents, including center fielder Johnny Damon.

The most likely savior for Ramirez at this point appears to be the New York Mets. New York's GM Omar

Minaya was quoted as saying, "I'm going for it," in reference to the Ramirez trade, according to Newsday. The Red Sox reportedly would look to acquire outfield prospect Lastings Milledge, as well as a major league player, possibly left fielder Cliff Floyd.

Damon, the Red Sox catalyst lead-off man, has recently hit the free agent market. According to the Boston Globe, his agent, Scott Boras, has been looking for a seven-year deal worth about \$84 million. The Red Sox have reportedly offered a deal closer to three years, \$30 million. Should Boras find a team willing to shell out the cash for such an enormous contract, the Red Sox would be missing a hitter at the top of their order and a capable glove in center field.

With Twins center fielder Torii Hunter, a three-time Gold Glove winner, reportedly on the trading block, Boston could try to work out a deal. The Twins have coveted Red Sox third baseman Kevin Youkilis, and with a seemingly full pitching rotation Boston could stand to lose one of their starting pitchers.

There are an infinite number of moves the Red Sox could make to improve their roster significantly over the next few weeks, especially at the winter meetings.

For Red Sox Nation, it is now just a matter of waiting to see what other presents the team reels in for the holidays.

# Hockey starts strong

by Anna Karasz  
ORIENT STAFF

## Men's Hockey

The men's hockey team, ranked 11th in the latest DIII U.S. Hockey Poll, will face Skidmore on Friday. The team boasts a 3-1 record with wins over UMass-Boston, Salve Regina, Nichols College, and a loss to Babson College.

In the first game of the season, Bowdoin delivered a crushing 7-0 defeat to UMass-Boston with goals from seven different players.

The next day, Babson surprised Bowdoin with a come-from-behind 5-3 victory. Sophomores Duncan Smith and Sebastian Belanger, as well as junior Tim McVaugh, scored for Bowdoin.

The Polar Bears rebounded a week later in their home game of the season, crushing Salve Regina 9-0 as part of the Colby-Bowdoin Face-Off Classic. Junior Greg McConnell and

senior Adam Dann led the scoring effort for Bowdoin.

The following day against Nichols College, McConnell and Dann gave the Polar Bears two goals each. John Landry '06 and Steven Thompson '08 added a goal apiece to Bowdoin's 6-2 victory. George Papachristopoulos '06 tended Bowdoin's goal.

## Women's Hockey

The Bowdoin Women's Hockey Team will look to rebound from Sunday's 2-1 loss to Manhattanville College in a pair of games at Plattsburgh this weekend. Although the Polar Bears had many solid attempts on goal, the team did not get on the board until the last 12 minutes of play.

Junior Meghan Gillis gave Bowdoin its only goal off a pass from classmate Katie Forney. In goal, senior Cat MacEachern stopped 25 shots. The team is ranked seventh in the latest national DIII poll.

# \*Women's basketball team looks to rebound after first loss of season to in-state rival USM

BASKETBALL, from page 11

Southern Maine, ranked fourth in the nation, on Tuesday night. The Polar Bears have beat USM in every face-off since 1999, but this game proved to be an exception. The two teams

were evenly matched, each with 3-0 records going into the game.

Loonia, Flaherty, and Marisa Berne '08 added double-digits to the scoreboard for Bowdoin, but could not save the team from a Husky onslaught effort in the last

couple of minutes.

In a last burst of effort, USM stretched its four-point lead to nine off a three-pointer and some layups in the last few minutes of the game for a 64-55 victory.

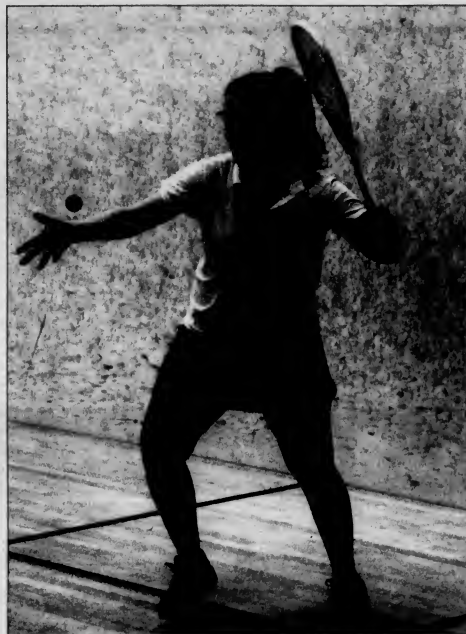
"We are still hopeful and there is

plenty to learn from our game tape. USM is a team that has developed great chemistry, while we are still trying to figure out our roles within the team," Russell said, adding, "Everyone is energized about the season and realizes the potential we

have to do great things this year. We'll be ready when NESAC's begin in January."

The women's basketball team will travel to Rochester Polytechnic Institute this Saturday and Staten Island this Sunday.

# Athlete Profile: Niki Clement



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Niki Clement '06 has held the No. 1 spot on the squash team for four years.

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

Since she first stepped onto the squash courts at Bowdoin four years ago, Captain Niki Clement '06 has been a force to be reckoned with. Holding down the No. 1 spot all four years, Clement has impressed players and spectators alike with her exceptional skill and poise.

Clement, whose father played squash in college, learned the game at a young age and began competing in tournaments "sometime during the seventh grade."

Although her high school did not have a team, she worked on her game by taking lessons and attending weekly clinics. By her senior year in high school, she was the top ranked junior in her age division and knew she wanted to continue playing at the collegiate level.

"I only looked at schools that had squash teams," she said.

Clement made an immediate impact on Bowdoin squash in her first year, playing one on the ladder.

"Although I was initially anxious about playing one as a freshman, I didn't give it too much thought once the season started. I just played my game and didn't worry about that stuff," she said.

Despite playing opponents three years older than her, she posted a stellar 16-4 record and was honored with the Outstanding First-Year Female Athlete Award at the end of the year.

Three years and three successful seasons later, Clement remains on top of the ladder, with more honors and awards to her name, including two-time All-American honors and MVP for three years.

In addition to her own success on the court, Clement has also been a tremendous leader for younger players.

"Niki is an awesome captain," first year Alex Franceschi said. "She works really hard which motivates the rest of the team to work hard."

Coach Tomas Fortson agrees. "She is the hardest worker I have come across in my five years here," he said. "Whether it's a tight match or not, Niki is always competitive, tries her hardest, and runs down every ball."

Clement believes that her work ethic and dedication to Bowdoin squash is a result of her commitment to "playing for the team" rather than for just personal recognition.

"I think team chemistry affects everything in squash. One of the reasons the team has been so successful is because we have the environment for a great team. We play for each other," Clement said.

Clement looks to the last year's winter break training trip as evidence of the team's unity.

"Last year, the squash team traveled to Mexico. We practiced twice a day and got to go to the beach twice a day. We were together in a beautiful, warm place. It was awesome," she said.

Clement is excited about this year's team, which graduated no seniors and gained six first years.

"So far, this year's team has done really well. We've got a lot of talent and a lot of depth," she said.

With the addition of two field hockey players, who finished their season, and two juniors returning from abroad, the team will have the added advantage of depth.

The team kicked off the season with decisive wins over Tufts and Connecticut College, both 8-1 victories.

Clement is not sure how squash will shape her plans after graduation, but knows that she will definitely continue to play in and around a "large city in the east with a relatively big squash population."

Clement does not hesitate to say how much she will miss Bowdoin, noting, "But most of all, I'm going to miss Bowdoin squash and putting on that jersey."

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

School	NESCAC	Overall
	W L	W L
Colby	0 0	4 0
Tufts	0 0	3 0
Middlebury	0 0	5 1
Williams	0 0	4 1
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	0 0	3 1
Bates	0 0	2 2
Conn. College	0 0	2 2
Trinity	0 0	2 2
Wesleyan	0 0	2 2
Amherst	0 0	1 3

Sa 11/19	v. Endicott (at E. Conn. Tourney)	W 75-29
Su 11/20	at Eastern Conn. (at E. Conn. Tourney)	W 72-39
Tu 11/22	v. UNE	W 95-49
Tu 11/29	at USM	L 64-55

Sa 12/3	at RPI	5:00 P.M.
Su 12/4	at Staten Island	2:00 P.M.
Th 12/8	v. Colby-Sawyer	7:00 P.M.

## MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	NESCAC	Overall
	W L T	W L T
Colby	2 0 0	5 0 0
Middlebury	2 0 0	4 0 0
Trinity	2 0 0	3 1 0
Williams	2 0 0	3 2 0
Amherst	1 1 0	3 1 0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	1 1 0	3 1 0
Hamilton	1 1 0	1 1 0
Tufts	0 2 0	1 2 1
Wesleyan	0 2 0	1 3 0
Conn. Coll.	0 2 0	0 4 0

F 11/18	at UMass-Boston	W 7-0
Sa 11/19	at Babson	L 5-3
Sa 11/26	v. Salve Regina	W 9-0
Su 11/27	v. Nichols (at Colby)	W 6-2

SCHEDULE		
F 12/2	v. Skidmore	7:00 P.M.
Sa 12/3	v. Capleton State	4:00 P.M.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

School	NESCAC	Overall
	W L	W L
Williams	0 0	5 0
Middlebury	0 0	3 0
Amherst	0 0	2 0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	0 0	4 1
Trinity	0 0	4 1
Conn. College	0 0	3 1
Tufts	0 0	3 1
Bates	0 0	3 2
Colby	0 0	2 2
Wesleyan	0 0	3 3

F 11/18	at Babson (at Babson Tourney)	L 71-57
Sa 11/19	v. Whittier (at Babson Tourney)	W 78-58
Tu 11/22	v. UNE	W 76-58
Sa 11/26	v. U. Maine-P.I.	W 100-30
Tu 11/29	at USM	W 80-71
Th 12/1	v. Colby-Sawyer	W 68-65

SCHEDULE		
Sa 12/3	at Maine Maritime	4:00 P.M.
Tu 12/6	at Bates	7:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	NESCAC	Overall
	W L T	W L T
Middlebury	2 0 0	4 0 0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	2 0 0	2 1 0
Williams	1 0 1	1 2 1
Trinity	2 1 1	3 1 1
Colby	1 1 0	3 1 0
Conn. College	1 1 0	2 1 0
Amherst	* 2 2 0	2 2 0
Hamilton	0 2 0	1 3 0
Wesleyan	0 4 0	0 4 0

F 11/18	v. Amherst	W 4-2
Sa 11/19	v. Conn. College	W 6-2
Su 11/27	v. Manhattanville	L 2-1

SCHEDULE		
Sa 12/3	at Plattsburgh	2:00 P.M.
Su 12/4	at Plattsburgh	2:00 P.M.

- Compiled by Adam Kammel. Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC.

## FIELD HOCKEY

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
F 11/18	v. Messiah (at Washington & Lee)	L 2-1 (NCAA Semifinals)

## WOMEN'S SQUASH

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 11/19	v. Tufts (at Harvard Round Robin)	W 8-1
Sa 11/19	v. Conn. College (at Harvard RR)	W 8-1

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Sa 12/3	v. Middlebury	10:00 A.M.
Sa 12/3	v. William Smith	4:00 P.M.
Sa 12/3	v. Wesleyan	7:00 P.M.
Su 12/4	v. Stanford	8:30 A.M.
Su 12/4	v. Mt. Holyoke (all games at Wesleyan RR)	11:30 A.M.

## MEN'S SQUASH

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 11/19	v. Tufts (at Harvard Round Robin)	W 6-3
Sa 11/19	v. Conn. College (at Harvard RR)	W 9-0

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
F 12/9	5-Mans (at Yale)	TBA

## MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 11/19	v. Babson	W 188-90
Sa 11/19	v. MIT	L 183.5-104.5

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Sa 12/3	v. Tufts	12:00 P.M.
W 12/7	v. Bates	6:00 P.M.

## W. SWIMMING & DIVING

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 11/19	v. Babson	W 213-70
Sa 11/19	v. MIT	L 152-139

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Sa 12/3	v. Tufts	12:00 P.M.
W 12/7	v. Bates	6:00 P.M.

# Field hockey loses in NCAA semis

FIELD HOCKEY, from page 11

For sophomore Hillary Hoffman the loss was difficult to accept.

"We knew that we could have won the final game, but I don't think anyone came off the field thinking it was their worst game ever. We didn't play our best, but we didn't completely choke either," Hoffman said.

The team's initial disappointment was tempered by its remarkable achievements.

"Having our season end in the NCAA semifinals wasn't initially what we had planned on," said sophomore Meghan Maguire, "but once I had really sat down and looked back upon our season, there was nothing I could be disappointed with. We had so much success because we love playing with each other and above all, we support each other through everything. We wanted to win just because we wanted to keep playing with each

other and that says so much about the dynamic of our team."

King, Gormley, and Leonard received All-American honors this week from the National Field Hockey Coaches Association. King and Leonard were named First-Team All-Americans and Gormley Second-Team All-American.

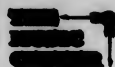
-Drew Fulton contributed to this report from Lexington, Virginia.



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Junior Burgess LePage fights a Messiah defender for the ball in an NCAA semifinal match at Washington & Lee.





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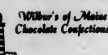
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Some liberal arts purists may gasp at the mere suggestion of a journalism curriculum at Bowdoin. But they shouldn't. An interdisciplinary approach to the study of journalism—rather than a professional one—would be completely consistent with Bowdoin's liberal arts tradition. A journalism program at Bowdoin could be modeled after the Africana studies program, which consists mostly of courses cross-listed in departments such as history, sociology, and English. A few existing Bowdoin courses would already fit into such a program, but these offerings should be expanded to establish a more complete curriculum.

The purpose of a journalism program would not be to train professional journalists. Rather, it would teach students how to understand and interact with the immediate history of their world; these skills can be so powerful and can be such a force for change. We fail to see how such a program would do anything but promote the common good.

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Party politics hinders local governments

To the Editors:

The Town/City Manager form of government, developed by Professor Orren Hornell of Bowdoin and the Bureau of Municipal Research within the Department of Government over 60 years ago, has been adopted by scores of communities, large and small, not only in Maine, but in other states as well.

The precise form that it took in each case varied from town to town.

Two essential elements, among others, were that it was intended to lead to a more professionally run local government, and it specifically discouraged political partisanship in all of its ramifications in the process, including the selection of candidates, the election of them, the selection of administrative leadership, and finally in the discussion and decision making process. In my memory, and up until now, political parties have successfully, for the most part, refrained from active and organized partisan activity at the level of local government. This

has been so, I believe, in Brunswick, and I would hope that we would not be moving away from that original premise; to do so would lead to less collegiality and less effective and productive government; we see all too much of that already at the state and federal levels. As a consequence, we are not as well governed as we ought to be.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Morrell '50  
Brunswick, Maine

### Conservatives gripe about political bias

To the Editors:

Not long ago, it was common to hear conservative intellectuals rail against America's "culture of complaint." They catalogued the dangers associated with thinking like a victim: a tendency to blame misfortune on others, to imagine conspiracies, to over-emphasize slights, and so on. Rhetorical excess notwithstanding, they had a point.

Maybe this is why I find it amusing that Bowdoin conservatives spend so

much time griping about their own victimization at the hands of the faculty. In a recent Orient ("Students question political diversity" 11/18/05), Ferd Convery '06 complained, "I've been marked down on papers because I refused to give in to my teacher's agenda, and numerous students in that class had the same thing happen to them."

Yes, Bowdoin would benefit from increasing the number of professors (conservative or liberal) teaching a traditional liberal arts curriculum. And yes, there are a couple (easily avoided) departments that appear to be light on substance and heavy on neo-Marxist mush.

But I had plenty of political disagreements with professors in my four years at Bowdoin and somehow managed to do just fine. Whatever our differences during the semester, I found them perfectly fair-minded when it came time to turn in grades.

Instead of blaming their problems on the institution, Bowdoin conservatives ought to try dragging themselves up by their bootstraps. As the conservative academic Thomas Sowell once wrote, "victimhood is something to escape, not something to exploit."

Sincerely,

Taylor Washburn '04  
New York, New York

## Political control hurts academia

by Patrick Rael  
FACULTY CONTRIBUTOR

For some time now, conservative commentators have been criticizing American universities for their alleged liberal bias. According to this argument, which has been made recently on this very campus, most professors are liberal, as indicated by their Democratic Party affiliations. The preponderance of liberal professors, it is claimed, stifles intellectual curiosity and renders conservative students on campus a disempowered minority.

Some members of the faculty disdain this argument as a mere partisan ploy, unworthy of response. But it will not do to dismiss the argument entirely. After all, the "post-" intellectuals—post-modernists, post-structuralists, and post-colonialists—have been making a more sophisticated form of the same argument for several decades now, merely from the other side of the bench. They argue that colleges and universities institutionalize structures of knowledge that are inherently political—that the very ways disciplines are organized have ramifications for the distribution of power in an unequal society. In light of this, it seems rather bad grace, once the argument is made from the other side, to retreat into claims of scholarly objectivism and the virtues of universal truth.

No, the problem with the conservative argument is not that it makes a case that "liberal" professors don't like. The problem is that it is a political rather than an intellectual argument. It simply has no credibility as an academic claim, for in seeking to measure political bias among campus faculties it uses yardsticks that are completely indefensible. Trying to map the political proclivities of the professoriate through categories such as "Democrat versus Republican" or "liberal versus conservative" is like trying to perform brain surgery with hedge clippers.

As any student of political history can tell you, Republican and Democrat are not historically static categories, but dynamic and contingent ones. Parties

and what they stand for change over time; they are changing before our very eyes, even if we don't see it. The same thing goes for words like "conservative" and "liberal." The historical founders of these principles would roll over in their graves to see the modern causes over which their flags wave.

Deep differences divide members of the political parties on a wide range of issues. How can party affiliation serve as a litmus test for hiring? The equally vague categories of "liberal" and "conservative" offer no better compass. Who would determine where potential professors belonged on such a scale? Obviously, for an institution such as Bowdoin to predicate its curriculum decisions on a breakdown of professors' registered party affiliations or presumed political leanings would be the height of intellectual irresponsibility.

The key point that champions of an "academic bill of rights" miss is this: department hiring decisions are academic rather than political endeavors—complex processes fraught with competing intellectual imperatives. They are well-orchestrated affairs designed precisely to minimize the potential for political abuse of the very sort welcomed by the conservative plan to "balance" liberal faculty with conservative ones. To reduce hiring decisions to mere tests of political allegiance is to disregard the very concerns—for methodological balance, field coverage, disciplinary innovation, student needs, and other kinds of diversity—that safeguard the process from turning into a political football. Healthy academic communities do not need ideological scorecards. Only those concerned with policing ideology, like totalitarian states or McCarthyite America, endorse them.

There is something deeply anti-democratic in this new push for ideological control over the academy. A liberal arts education exposes students to a wide range of disciplines, methodologies, and viewpoints. It does not guarantee that anyone's views will be left unchallenged. The essence of academic enquiry is contentious, messy debate.

But our culture has become increasingly enamored with cheaply purchased comfort, and we live in a public forum balkanized into vying ideological sects that speak past one another. It has become ever more possible to consider the challenges inherent in thoughtful academic life an invasion of some imagined personal right to comfort. We must remind ourselves that comfort and complacency in our discourse only undermine democratic society.

Ultimately, the conservative argument for liberal bias among the faculty insults the professional integrity of faculty members with a long history of separating their own political views from the material they teach. The "liberal bias" argument degrades our understanding of the scholarly mission—from one wherein we coach young minds toward independent yet rigorous thought, to one wherein we indoctrinate impressionable youth presumed to be incapable of thinking for themselves. It is a cynical projection of the Far Right's desire for ideological influence onto perhaps the last place where free and independent inquiry are preserved.

If I'm wrong, show me. Show the campus. We should, after all, welcome a serious debate on the place of "politics" on this campus and in our curriculum. We badly need to be shaken out of our inertia, to be reconnected with the broader issues confronting higher education and our society in general.

So make the case. But do it with academic credibility. Without resorting to the empty talking points of professional pundits, without invoking hypocritical rhetoric of conservative victimization, without relying on the flawed methodologies of campus partisans. Conservatives who irresponsibly attack the faculty for political bias owe this academic community more—more than the canned, made-for-TV argument we've seen.

In other words, think. That, after all, should be the only thing that really matters at a place like Bowdoin.

Patrick Rael is an associate professor of history at Bowdoin.

# The Weekly Calendar

## December 2-8

### Friday

#### Lunch Break Concert

Music students perform on violin, piano, harp, and flute.  
Tillotson Room, Gibson Hall,  
12:130 p.m.

#### Common Hour

Katha Pollit, a columnist at *The Nation* and the author of two collections of columns and essays about pop culture and politics, gives a talk entitled, "Feminism: Top Ten Reasons Why It Won't Go Away."  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

#### December Dance

Students from the Department of Theater and Dance perform a variety of dances including samba, step dancing, and hip-hop-influenced jazz dance.  
Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall,  
8 p.m.

#### Film: The French Connection

An urban police drama set in the Vietnam War years examines the tough-cop mentality. Two cops uncover an international heroin-smuggling deal and must track the suspects, but once discovered, the suspects begin to hunt down the cops.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

### Saturday

#### Junior-Senior Ball

The junior-senior ball is an exciting formal occasion open to upperclassmen and their guests. Tickets are \$5 at the door or at the Smith Union info desk.  
Thorne Dining Hall, 9 p.m.-12:45 a.m.

**Film: The French Connection**  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.

**December Dance**  
Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall,  
8 p.m.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

A gull skims over the sand at Pine Point Beach in Scarborough.

### Sunday

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

**Instrumental Performance**  
The Chamber Choir performs music of the Spanish Renaissance including works by Victoria, Morales, Flecha, and Encina, as well as American folk music.  
Bowdoin Chapel, 3-4 p.m.

### Monday

**Museum of Art Shop Holiday Sale**  
Ornaments and jewelry from Eastern European countries are available for purchase.  
Banister Hall, Bowdoin Chapel,  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.

### Tuesday

**Methods of Relaxation**  
Kristen Lombard, a certified healing touch practitioner, clears myths about meditation by telling what meditation really is, how it is effective, and how to use it every day.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

### Wednesday

**Law Student Information Session**  
Peter Landis, an attorney from Portland specializing in international law, will be on campus to provide information and answer questions.  
Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union,  
3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Foreign Relations with East Asia**  
Assistant U. S. Secretary of State Christopher R. Hill '74, chief negotiator at the North Korean nuclear talks, will give a lecture entitled, "U. S. Policy Toward the Asia Pacific Region."  
Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall,  
7-9 p.m.

### Thursday

**Buddhist Meditation**  
Khen Rinpoche, a high-ranked lama directly under the Dalai Lama, will give a speech entitled, "Cultivating Patience in Everyday Life." Following the talk, he will lead a 30-minute meditation session.  
Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union,  
7:30 p.m.



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A deer stares across the meadow at the Coastal Studies Center.





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## Presidential pay matches Colby, Bates

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin's top administrators earn pay on par with Maine's other top private colleges, according to public tax documents obtained by the Orient.

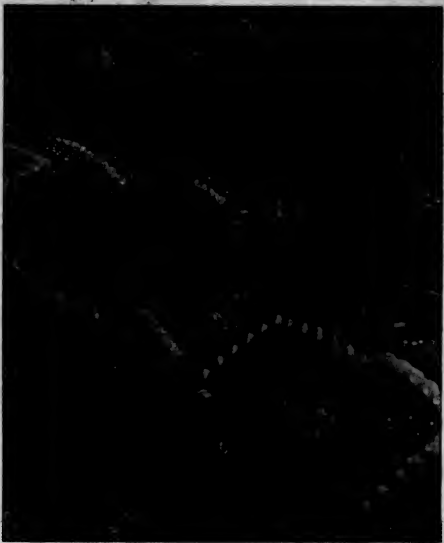
President Barry Mills received \$255,850 in compensation in the 2003-2004 fiscal year, along with \$42,752 in contributions to employee benefit plans. This sum of \$298,602 in total presidential compensation mirrors that of nearby Bates and Colby Colleges.

According to data from the Chronicle of Higher Education, Bates College President Elaine Tuttle Hansen received \$297,603 in total compensation during the same period. Colby College President Bro Adams received \$296,725.

In a comparison of the base compensation of private liberal arts college presidents nationwide, Mills received the 48th-highest pay.

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## Students go on a sculpture Spree



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Last night's Sculpture 1 and 2 show included student pieces constructed with Spree candy, sawdust, plastic knives, cigarette butts, and popcorn kernels.

## Student assaulted again at School St.

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Over a month after he was confronted at knife-point in the basement of his 10 School Street residence and fended off the assailant with a Tide bottle, Joshua Cippel '08 was accosted again Wednesday night in the same location. This latest incident, which occurred at about 9:00 p.m., is the third report of trespassing on the school-leased property since the beginning of November.

Cippel was coming up the basement stairs after dropping off laundry when he was "assaulted," according to the report compiled by Bowdoin Security. He attempted to pull open the door, which opens in toward the stairway, and found that someone was holding the door shut. He heard a voice say "F— you, Tide man." The intruder then released the door, which hit Cippel in the head, causing him to stumble and fall backwards down the stairway.

Cippel then called 911, who dispatched Brunswick Police Department officers and a

Brunswick Rescue ambulance to the scene. Bowdoin Assistant Director of Security Mike Brown picked up the report on a police frequency and dispatched College security officers to the apartment building. Cippel did not receive medical care, but did suffer a bruised right thigh in the fall.

When contacted by the Orient, Cippel declined to comment on the incident.

Cippel was also the victim of an attempted robbery in the basement of 10 School Street on November 3 of this year. The assailant in that incident brandished a knife and demanded money before Cippel struck him with the bottle of Tide laundry detergent on the side of the face, causing him to flee. According to Security, there has been little progress in the investigation of that incident.

Because he did not see the intruder on Wednesday, Cippel was unable to confirm whether it was the same man who had confronted him last month. Director of Security Randy

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## Housing will be scarce as juniors abroad return

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

Because of this year's imbalance of students on campus between the fall and spring, many juniors currently abroad who requested doubles for the spring will not get their top housing choices on return.

The Office of Student Records predicts that twelve more students will live on campus in the spring semester than do so, currently. According to Director of Institutional Research and Registrar Christine Cote, imbalances have been larger in the past, but this year, campus housing can not accommodate so many students.

The housing crunch for the spring semester can be attributed to a number of factors. Although the College added East and West Halls this year, Hyde and Appleton are still under construction and unusable. The strain this year is also due to changes in upperclassman housing requests. Classes have gotten progressively larger, and in past years, more and more upperclassmen have been electing to live on campus, according to Cote.

Forty-one more students went abroad this fall than will this spring, according to Director of Off-Campus Study Stephen Hall. The

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## Dudley Coe seeks renovated facility

As student prescription use rises, health center looks to increase patient flow efficiency

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

A 1920s facility, Dudley Coe is finding it difficult to keep up with the growing needs of the student body in its current location.

With more Bowdoin students on prescription medications than ever before, according to College Physician and Director of Health Services Jeff Benson, and the health center diagnosing and treating increasingly more serious conditions, Benson is pleading for a renovated college health center—one that is, at

the very least, handicap accessible.

The anticipated location for the new health center is Jewett Hall, which is adjacent to Thorne Hall and currently houses an electronic music lab and several administrative offices.

"The problem with Dudley Coe is that structurally and architecturally, it's a very difficult building to renovate," Benson said.

According to Benson, a new facility would not necessarily mean more staffing, but rather, more efficient patient flow. At most medical facilities, each physician has multiple examination rooms in addition to a separate office in which test results are given. In Dudley Coe, however, each practicing staff member's examination room dou-

bles as his or her office. This limits each staff member to seeing one patient at a time, even when waiting for test results.

The health center has seen increased patient flow since implementing limited weekend hours starting November 20 that are scheduled to continue until Spring Break every weekend while classes are in session, costing Dudley Coe a total of \$2,000. Dudley Coe saw twelve students the first weekend and eleven the second, and 90 percent of the visits were "entirely appropriate" and should not have waited until Monday, according to Benson.

"People have real medical needs

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## Waterville police go undercover to curb Colby underage drinking

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

Waterville police will soon be scooping out Colby student parties in plain clothes and unmarked vehicles, but Brunswick authorities say there are currently no plans to launch undercover operations at Bowdoin.

Following what he sees as an increase in excessive and underage drinking, Waterville Deputy Police Chief Joseph Massey said this week that his department would begin to send undercover police officers to monitor alcohol consumption by Colby students both on-campus and off.

"We have an obligation to provide

public safety," Massey said.

Commander Rick Desjardins of the Brunswick Police Department said that while Brunswick officers have engaged in uncover operations to regulate drinking at Bowdoin in the past, they have not done so this school year.

"Those are tactics that occasionally we have used, but we haven't used them recently," he told the Orient.

Desjardins did acknowledge that such operations could be possible in the future if a problem arose.

"We're not there yet," he said.

A Morning Sentinel article about the plan for undercover operations at Colby was posted Tuesday on the

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## Polar Bears swim past Bates



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Roger Burleigh '06, who is undefeated in the 100-yard butterfly, won the 200-yard freestyle, 100-yard breaststroke, and 100-yard butterfly against Bates on Wednesday. See related story, page 12.

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# Juniors studying abroad find spring housing scarce as demands for on-campus housing rise

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Off-Campus Study Office, he said, tries to get more students to go abroad in the fall to offset the winter departure of "December completers," who graduate after the fall semester.

"I was aiming to have about 15 more [students] away in the fall than the spring," he said.

But, in part because of foreign schools' schedules, more students usually choose to go abroad in the spring, Hall said.

This fall, 165 students are abroad, and Hall estimates that 124 students will go abroad this spring. Last year, 125 students went abroad in the fall, while 131 students went abroad in the spring.

According to Cote, 17 students will be graduating this December. Eleven additional students will be on leave this spring for medical and personal reasons, she said.

Residential Life emailed the almost

prioritization of four housing choices by Saturday at noon.

The most popular choice, according to Res Life Operations Manager Lisa Rendall, was living as a triple in a Brunswick Apartment double. The

second most popular choice was to live in one of three available rooms in first-year dorms (one each in Coleman, East, and Moore). The third most popular option was living in a one room double in Stowe Inn. No student selected a Chamberlain double as his or her first choice.

Res Life announced housing assignments on Tuesday afternoon.

Jennifer Xu '07, studying in Beijing, chose a first-year dorm more out of process of elimination than positive preference.

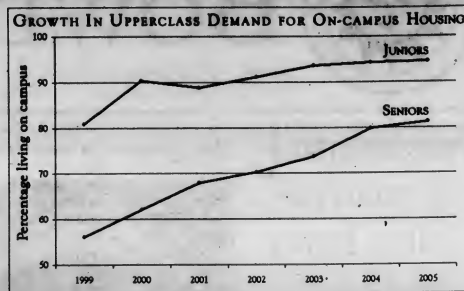
"I did not want to live with a



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Six juniors returning from abroad will find themselves living in "crash rooms" in first-year dorms next semester due to shortages in housing.

two-dozen students requesting doubles on Friday, December 2 and told them to email Res Life back with their



Source: Kim Pacelli

stranger in Brunswick apartments, Chamberlain doubles are notorious for being uncomfortably small, and Stowe Inn is inconvenient since it is so far away from campus," she said.

"I can't say I'm too thrilled," she said. Matthew Chadwick '07 also will be living in a first-year dorm next semester, though he listed a converted triple in Brunswick Apartments as his first choice. His main gripe was the lack of time Res Life gave students to consider their revised options.

"It wouldn't have been a problem had they notified students of the housing crunch prior to 48 hours before assignments," he said.

Chadwick, who is currently studying in Italy, also felt that Res Life misled students into thinking that their housing assignments were secure.

"My roommate, Walker Ellis ['07], had been up at school a week earlier, and Res Life seemed to reassure him that we would be all set in getting a Brunswick Apartment, so we weren't too concerned. Turns out we should have been," Chadwick said.

According to Director of Res Life Kim Pacelli, "about a half-dozen" Brunswick apartments are available for the spring. She noted, though, that housing is not assured for juniors.

"We don't guarantee housing for juniors and seniors," Pacelli said. "That being said, I am committed to providing housing for juniors who are coming back in the spring."

Pacelli said that students who did not choose doubles had better luck.

"In the case of quads, we had just enough spaces to place students with their group of friends and didn't need the specific guidance and advice from them," she said. "We were short one triple and have been working with the group of affected students to identify a space for them."

Pacelli also refuted that Res Life alerted students about the housing

crunch late.

"This scenario of tight housing for the spring semester hasn't been a secret, and we've been talking with students all semester as they've been inquiring about their assignments for the spring," she said. "We hold out on making assignments until as late in the fall semester as we can because it permits us the greatest flexibility in knowing the available spaces as students take unplanned leaves."

Although many more students chose to go abroad in the fall than the spring this school year, Hall said that the Off-Campus Study Office will still encourage students to go abroad in the fall.

"We think that the spring semester will continue to be the more popular choice for Bowdoin students," he said.

Hall attributed the large number of students going abroad in the fall this year to several factors. He admitted that the office had a part in influencing such decisions.

However, he added, "We will very rarely say to a student, 'you can't go the semester of your choice.' We might say that if we get a late application."

Hall also noted, "Students like to go away when their friends are going."

Pacelli recognized that the ongoing construction played a part in the housing crunch and will continue to do so. Coleman and Moore Halls will be renovated next fall, with Winthrop and Maine Halls scheduled for the following spring.

Pacelli said that she anticipates that housing will be tight next year, and hopes that this spring's crisis will not be repeated.

"Next year we'll be looking to improve communication with the Class of 2008 so that we can have more notice as students' plans change and have a more accurate picture of the space that is available in the spring semester," she said.

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

### Bowdoin web site back on Google after three months

After a nearly three-month absence from Google's database, Bowdoin's web site is now accessible through the popular online search engine.

Information Technology announced the site's return to Google in an all-campus email Tuesday morning.

Chief Information Officer Mitch Davis said that a mistake at Google prevented the site from being added back to the database in a timely fashion. After spending months working through the typical channels at Google, he said it was ultimately highly-placed connections that brought about the progress.

According to Davis, Vice President for Investments Paula Volent and Web Producer David Israel both contacted people they knew at Google to ask for help.

Bowdoin requested that its listings be removed from Google in August after an ethnically insensitive remark about Maine's French community was found posted on an alumni section of the site. While Bowdoin deleted the comment, it was still searchable in Google's database until the College requested it be de-listed.

At the faculty meeting on Monday afternoon—only hours before Bowdoin's listings reappeared—Professor of Chemistry Rick Broene said that due to Bowdoin's absence from Google, his colleagues were having trouble accessing his information on Bowdoin's web site.

In response, President Barry Mills said the College was working actively to fix the problem both by using connections and offering Google money.

Mills announced that next semester Bowdoin would be initiating efforts to expand understanding about the valuable contributions the French community has made in Maine and at the College.

### First-year books to be selected based on theme

The Committee on Teaching recently announced its decision to

revise the first-year book programming and selection process. According to Committee Chair and Professor of English David Collings, the process will be revised so that the next three incoming classes all read books surrounding the common theme of "poverty."

Traditionally, each incoming first-year reads a book, assigned and provided for them by the College, and participates in dialogue with other first-year students, faculty, and staff members about that book.

Although the group received positive feedback about the program, its decision was influenced by a consensus that "the energy created by that event dissipated shortly thereafter, since the college organized no further events or programs related to the reading. It was an event without a context," Collings said.

The decision to unite the classes around a common theme will provide a lasting context for discussion, Collings said, as well as engage students in campus discussions or events similarly planned around the chosen theme. "We would like to extend the energy over much more of the year and make the first-year book influence well beyond orientation."

Collings said that the theme of poverty was chosen in part to correspond with a series of related events, programs and opportunities for action scheduled by the College to raise awareness. He cited KNOw Poverty Week, April 3-9, and also highlighted an interdisciplinary seminar to be taught this spring by Nancy Jennings and Susan Dorn entitled "Examining Poverty," and a cluster of poverty-related courses organized in part by John Fitzgerald in the Department of Economics.

### Ladd House to be heated with green fuel this winter

As part of a College-wide effort to encourage the use of cleaner burning alternative fuels, Ladd House will be heated with B20 biofuel this winter, a blend of petroleum diesel and biodiesel derived from vegetable oil.

In an email to Ladd residents, Keisha Payson, coordinator for Sustainable

Bowdoin, said that the fuel "has lower emissions compared to petroleum diesel and since it is made from domestic resources it decreases our dependence on foreign oil."

According to the Independence Fuel website ([www.biofuel.com](http://www.biofuel.com)), BioHeat is a renewable, energy source grown and refined in the United States. The fuel is "much cleaner" burning than No. 2 fuel oil, requires no system modifications, less routine maintenance, and at \$2.28 a gallon, is competitive in price with regular heating oil.

### Arthur Dunlop retires from Security after 36 years

After 36 years of service as a security officer, at Bowdoin, Arthur Dunlop will retire to his wife Joan and their home in Richmond, Maine, this December 30.

Director of Security Randy Nichols said, "We're going to miss Arthur. He is highly respected here in the Bowdoin community as a diligent, dedicated worker. He's given 36 years of his life to Bowdoin College."

Described by Nichols as "fun to work with" and "likable," "the sort to take the time to speak to everyone," Dunlop accrued a reputation for his overall "concern for the safety of all. Arthur keeps his nose to the grindstone. He has an incredible work ethic," Nichols said.

Dunlop's retirement comes at a period of transition for Campus Security, which recently hired two new officers, Steven Campbell and Cary Craig, both currently undergoing the field-training program. Nichols said the department will hire one more officer, and commented that Security will have a few new faces on board by the time students return in late January.

A retirement and farewell party for Dunlop is scheduled for December 21, from 4-6 p.m. in the Main Lounge at Moulton Union and is open to friends, family, co-workers, and members of the Bowdoin community.

—Compiled by Dan Hackett and James D. Baumberger.

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# Student Marine's story told on NBC

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

As U.S. Marine Alex Cornell Du Houx '06 heads to Iraq, he now has the distinction of his story being documented on a major television network. The feature, shown on NBC's "Nightly News," aired Sunday night alongside topics such as Saddam Hussein's trial in Iraq.

"It's a good story. It was a take on how people are viewing service to their country that you haven't heard very often on a national basis," Weekend Edition Senior Broadcast Producer Bob Epstein said.

"It was an interesting profile to do, to examine his political beliefs and outspokenness, his sense of duty to his country, and honoring that commitment that he made," he said.

Cornell du Houx, a vocal opponent of the war in Iraq, is a former co-president of the Bowdoin College Democrats and is also the development director for the College Democrats of America.

The profile, reported by veteran corre-

spondent Jonathan Alter, focused on Cornell du Houx's military service and deployment in contrast with his political involvement. Alter is also a columnist for Newsweek magazine.

Alter introduced the report as "the story of one Marine in Maine determined to do his duty despite his political point of view."

There was footage both of Cornell du Houx's activities on the Bowdoin campus and his involvement with the Marines.

Not included, however, was any reference to the controversy surrounding the remarks of Daniel Schuberth '06, who is the vice chairman of the Maine Republican Party and national secretary of the College Republican National Committee.

"They recognized through their own analysis of the situation what the story was and what the story wasn't," Vice President for Communications and Public Affairs for Bowdoin Scott Hood said.

"Our view was that the story was that

we have a student who is going and doing his duty as he sees it to represent the country, and he's sort of being plucked out of college to do that," he said.

When asked if the College had a role in the omission, Hood responded that he had discussed the issue with the producer of the report.

"I asked them specifically if they were going to be talking about a complete sideshow, which is this comment that Dan Schuberth made for which he subsequently apologized. He said that 'we may mention that and I don't think that's the story.' I said if you're going to do it, then you're going to need to talk to Dan, because he apologized."

"I don't have the power to tell NBC News what to do in any way, shape, or form," Hood said.

"Whenever a news crew comes to this campus, I try to make it a good experience for them."

Epstein said he wasn't aware of the controversy.

# BSG votes to amend parts of constitution

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) passed six new constitutional amendments Tuesday. Two-thirds of all voting students must vote to approve the amendments before the constitution may be reformed.

In order for a constitutional amendment to be passed in BSG, 21 of the 26 members must vote in favor of the amendment. Even if 26 members are not present, 21 votes are necessary. Twenty-five representatives were present on Tuesday night.

The two major issues, as presented by BSG Affairs Committee, were representation and role clarification.

Although BSG passed the Leadership Council Amendment with 23 votes in favor, which created a council to represent the social houses and classes, the body voted against decreasing the number of social house representatives. The BSG Representatives Amendment would have replaced the six social house representatives with two representatives elected by the Inter-House Council (IHC). The IHC chairman would retain his seat. Fifteen members voted for this amendment, eight abstained from voting, and two voted against it.

Under the current constitution, the social house system represents seven votes within BSG.

The Social House Improvement Amendment, which would have allowed social houses to nominate representatives to the Student Affairs Committee, was tabled with the failure of the BSG Representatives Amendment. Many members felt that this amendment would call for overrepresentation of the social houses within BSG.

An amendment that would have removed the Academic Affairs Committee and placed the duties of the committees on the vice president of academic affairs was voted down, with only four members in favor, two abstaining, and 18 opposed. As a result, the Officer Restructuring Amendment, which would have renamed the vice president of academic affairs as the

BSG vice president, was tabled.

Two amendments that attempted to set rules for the debates within BSG were voted down. The Speaking Rights Amendment, which stated that the president may speak first on any issue while the sponsor of the proposal may speak last if they so choose, received 20 votes in favor and one against; four members abstained.

The Moderators Amendment nominated the treasurer as the moderator for all debates, with the stipulation that he not speak during debates. If he wishes to speak, he must step down as moderator for the debate. This amendment was tabled, and a new proposal, which allowed for the officer team to rotate as moderators, was voted down. A proposal seeking support for the idea of an independent moderator without speaking rights was also voted down.

An amendment that moved all elections, with the exception of the first year elections, to the second Wednesday in April was passed. For the Class of 2007, this amendment will take effect in the 2006-2007 school year. This is a movement that takes into account the students who journeyed abroad before this decision was made.

A section of the constitution entitled "Student Matters" was approved for removal with a vote of 22 in favor, two abstaining, and two against. This section detailed a lengthy process, which has yet to be used, in which students could present proposals in front of BSG.

Three amendments were passed unanimously. One amendment clarified the role of the president while another clarified the roles of the vice presidents. The final amendment, the Clubs and Funding Amendment, laid out the roles of the Student Organization Oversight Committee and the Student Activities Funding Committee.

Before any changes are made to the constitution, BSG must vote on a clarified form of the constitution and on a reform of quorums and vote numbers, both of which must be passed with 21 members in favor. The amendments must then be presented to the student body for a vote.

# Police involvement in Colby drinking draws national press

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Drudge Report, a popular news web site. The Associated Press also picked up the story. Colby spokesperson Stephen Collins acknowledged that there has been considerable media interest in the story.

Responding to the media coverage, Massey said some were blowing the issue out of proportion.

"We're not going to go overboard," he said.

Massey told The Colby Echo—Colby's student newspaper—that approximately 60 Colby students have either been issued a summons or arrested for alcohol violations this

year. He speculated that an increase in off-campus arrests is the result of stricter on-campus enforcement by the college, forcing students to drink elsewhere.

Collins disputed that the drinking problem at Colby was increasing.

"All of the evidence shows that the level of alcohol consumption stay fairly consistent from year to year," he said.

He also denied that Colby was making an effort to be more harsh on its students.

"There is certainly not an orchestrated crackdown. There may have been more citations in recent years, but not this semester," Collins said.

Collins noted that the police were within their rights to conduct such operations on campus and that Colby security would be cooperative. He declined to say whether the college was bothered by the potential presence of undercover officers.

Bowdoin Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols told the Orient that Brunswick police would not conduct undercover activity on campus without first coordinating it with his office.

"Our relationship is one of cooperation and mutual respect," he said. "I would not be happy if any law enforcement agency engaged in activities involving Bowdoin students without keeping us fully apprised and informed. I'm glad that's the way it happens down here," Nichols said.

Desjardins agreed that his department works well with Bowdoin.

"We don't work in a vacuum," he said. "Our philosophy has been and will continue to be that the best answer is [to] work with all parties involved."

He attributed his department's success in part to a good relationship with the student body.

# Student attacked at School Street apartment for second time this fall

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Nichols said that it is "highly unusual in the criminal mind" for a criminal to return to exact revenge on a victim who had thwarted a crime.

"The whole incident is very strange," he said. "I've never heard of a robber coming back to seek revenge."

Responding Bowdoin Security officer David DeSchuiteneer, who was the first on the scene, said that he believed that an attack fueled by revenge would have been more malicious than simply holding a door closed.

"It seems that this is an individual who was trying to be a prankster," he said.

Still, according to Nichols it is too early to speculate on the details of the crime or the motivations and identity of the perpetrator.

The only thing that is certain, Nichols said, is that "we're dealing with an obviously troubled person who is a significant threat to the Brunswick community, not just Bowdoin students. Whether this was or was not a prank, either way it's a crime of assault, and when we catch this individual he will be prosecuted."

The two incidents involving Cippel have not been the only recent reports of suspicious persons at School Street apartments. On November 16, a female resident told security that a "scruffy-looking" man wearing a raincoat was peering through her bedroom window, which is located in the back of the house, near the door to the basement. The resident alleged that the man then attempted to enter the house through the front door, which was locked, before disappearing into the night. Responding officers found nothing upon arrival.

In response to the first incident regarding Cippel, Security oversaw the repair of several burned-out lights outside of the apartments in order to increase lighting around the house. They also replaced the basement door with a new one reinforced with steel, and installed new deadbolt locks on both the front and the basement doors.

On Wednesday, Cippel had locked the door behind him when he entered the basement, so it was uncertain whether the intruder had first tried to follow him down the stairs.

After this latest incident, Nichols said he plans to work with police to increase patrols on School Street, but admitted that "patrols will have a limited effect...there may be some nights where we can only get down there once or twice."

Nichols will meet with Brunswick police Friday to gather more information about the case and discuss further measures that might be taken to make the School Street apartments safer for students.

When asked whether he had considered recommending that the College discontinue its lease of the School Street apartments, Nichols said that it is "premature at this point to make any sort of recommendation," but did say that "there are issues with the area that we have some concerns with."

"Some students have expressed concern with some of the people who frequent the area," he said.

As for now, Nichols said students should take precautions when walking outside alone.

"Statistically, there is a significant lessening of risk when two or more students are walking together," he said. "The best protection is awareness."

# CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT: 11/28 TO 12/5

## Monday, November 28:

•A fire alarm at Winthrop Hall was activated by steam from a second floor shower.

## Tuesday, November 29:

•A student who fainted at a Druckenmiller lab was transported to Mid-Coast Hospital for evaluation.

•A fire alarm at Winthrop Hall was activated. False alarm.

•A student reported that her digital camera was missing from Moulton Union.

## Wednesday, November 30:

•A fire alarm at Winthrop Hall was activated by a smoke detector in a second floor hallway. There was no fire.

•An intrusion alarm at Banister Hall was inadvertently activated by a staff member.

## Thursday, December 1:

•A fire alarm at Ladd House was activated by a malfunctioning smoke detector in the third floor hallway.

## Friday, December 2:

•A Residential Life staff member reported nine basketballs missing from Sargent Gymnasium. The balls are Wilson brand and some have "Residential Life" stamped on them.

•There was an alcohol policy violation at a registered event at Ladd House.

•A missing construction sign was recovered from a room in Coles Tower.

•A student reported that three unknown people threw rocks through a window at Winthrop Hall, then fled south onto the Quad.

## Saturday, December 3:

•An alcohol policy violation was reported on the third floor of Maine Hall.

•A student was transported to Parkview Hospital with an injured foot.

•A fire alarm at Chamberlain Hall was activated when a heat sensor malfunctioned.

•A female student reported a suspicious man in the parking lot at Chamberlain Hall.

•A male student was transported to Parkview Hospital after falling and receiving a cut to the head at Quinby House.

## Sunday, December 4:

•A female student reported that an intoxicated male student was trying to enter her room at Coles Tower.

•A staff member reported a possible theft from a vending machine at

## Coles Tower.

•A student reported a red "old cruiser" bicycle missing from the bicycle rack outside Coles Tower.

•A student who fainted at Moulton Union Dining was treated and released by Brunswick Rescue.

•A student who injured her hand in a door was transported to Parkview Hospital.

•A fire alarm at Brunswick Apartments was activated by students broiling a steak.

•A student reported a bicycle missing from Maine Hall.

## Monday, December 5:

•A female student reported the theft of her jacket from Thorne Hall while she was attending the Junior-Senior Ball on Saturday night. The item is described as a black puffy REI brand down jacket.

•A staff member fell and injured herself while crossing Hyde Park near the polar bear statue. She was transported to Parkview Hospital, treated, and released.

•An ill staff member was transported to Parkview Hospital for an examination.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.



## Executive compensation at Bowdoin similar to that of peer liberal arts institutions

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Compensation data for Bowdoin's highest-paid employees are listed in the College's non-profit filing documents. As a non-profit organization, the College must file Form 990 with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) each year and make it available for inspection by the public. The most recent form covers the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004.

According to Vice President of Finance Nigel Bearman, Bowdoin includes only retirement contributions and deferred compensation in its calculation of the benefits value. It does not include health insurance costs. The College offers its employees 403(b) retirement plans, which are taxed-deferred retirement plans for employees of educational institutions.

Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration Katy Longley said the Board of Trustees determines Mills's compensation. Mills sets the pay for other top administrators.

After the president, Bowdoin's next highest-paid administrator was Vice President for Investments Paula Volent. Volent

received \$225,000 in base compensation and \$37,998 in retirement plan contributions. The base pay represents a \$50,000 raise from the previous year.

In a phone interview, Volent said that skilled investment managers are in high demand, and salaries at colleges reflect that market.

"Schools are trying to get good returns," she said.

According to Volent, colleges increasingly have to compete with the private sector as investment portfolios become more sophisticated. She noted that her salary comes from the endowment and not the College's operating budget.

Senior Vice President for Planning and Administration William Torrey earned \$187,390 in base compensation and \$116,168 in additional benefits. According to Longley, the higher benefits value is due to the inclusion of some deferred compensation.

Longley earned \$175,000 in base compensation and \$27,561 in contributions to employee benefit plans.

Also included in the documents are data for Dean of Academic Affairs Craig McEwen, who received compensation of \$175,000 and \$33,670 in benefits, and then-Dean of Admissions Jim Miller, who received \$145,000 in compensation and \$32,174 in benefits. Miller has since moved to Brown University's top admission's position, and a nationwide search is currently underway for a successor.

One professor also made the list.

Thomas Brackett Reed Professor of History and Political Science Dan Levine earned \$132,598 in compensation and \$29,807 in benefits. Levine is Bowdoin's longest-serving professor, and plans to retire at the end of this academic year (see related story, page 7).

Longley said the dean of academic affairs sets faculty compensation, and uses a combination of factors to determine pay.

"There is some discretion on the part of the dean," she said.

In addition to these top employees, 243 other Bowdoin staffers earned over \$50,000.

Trustees serve without compensation, according to the documents.

Federal regulations also require Bowdoin to provide the IRS with information on its highest-paid independent contractors.

Kyu Sung Woo Architect, Inc., of Cambridge, Massachusetts, received

\$458,729 for the design of East and West Halls.

Career Prospects, Inc., a temporary employment firm based in Brunswick, received \$323,709. Longley said that the use of temporary employment firms is not new for Bowdoin.

The College's legal counsel, Verrill & Dana LLP of Portland, received \$278,105. That represents an approximately \$43,000 increase over the previous year.

Carol O'Brien Associates, a development planning firm, received \$153,722 for services provided for the capital campaign.

*When compared with the base compensation of private liberal arts college presidents nationwide, Mills received the 48th-highest pay.*

## Re-orientation planned for January

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Before the start of the new semester, Bowdoin first years and sophomores will have the opportunity to "re-orient" themselves to college life by attending a series of workshops on study skills, time management, health and wellness, and student involvement in the campus community.

This Re-Orientation conference, or "Re-O," will take place January 21 and 22, beginning with a keynote address by Will Smith '00, dinner in Daggett Lounge, and a social activity at the Cram Alumni House.

Sunday's program will include workshops scheduled to take place from noon until 5 p.m., followed by a program evaluation.

Workshop themes include "Managing Your Reading Load," "Opportunities for Engagement in the Local Community Through Service," "Eating and Exercising Your Way to Success," "Time Management for Unmanageable People," "Staying Safe at Bowdoin College," and many others.

This is the first time that such a program has taken place at Bowdoin. According to Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster, "The idea itself comes from Carnegie Mellon and a similar program I developed there 15 years ago."

While this has never been implemented at Bowdoin before, according to Director of Residential Life

Kim Pacelli, "We've talked about doing stuff like this."

"Students liked orientation and wished they could do something like that later on," she said.

Re-O, open to the first 130 first-year and sophomore students who sign up, "should be a good way to focus in, learn new skills and strategies, connect with students, staff and faculty, and get a jump

neglected in their second year after being the featured class," Foster said.

"Students have expressed enthusiasm for this idea," he said. The Re-O conference planning committee, chaired by Tim Foster, is made up of students, faculty, and staff representing various cross-sections of the campus community.

On the planning committee are a variety of administrators, coaches, students, and other staff.

According to Pacelli, the planning committee was formed largely out of the Health and Wellness Committee, which included many people from the Office of Student Affairs and the Office of Residential Life.

"People in the group either directly participated [in Re-O] or appointed others to be involved," Pacelli said.

In order to determine the program's area of focus, first-year and sophomore students were surveyed about workshop ideas.

While some of the workshops will be discussion-based about the Bowdoin experience and social scene, others will be more topical and individualized. The Baldwin Center will also conduct a session on study skills.

Re-O is intended to be a small event, serving as a trial with the option of expansion in the future.

"I think we need to see how it goes, what people find helpful and not helpful. We'll be doing some evaluation and seeing where we are next year," Pacelli said.

*"The program offers an opportunity to focus on sophomores who tend to feel relatively neglected in their second year after being the featured class."*

Tim Foster  
Assistant Dean of Student Affairs

start on the spring semester," Foster said.

In addition to including those who have taken the initiative themselves to sign up for Re-O, the planning committee has also solicited student nominations from academic advisors, coaches, deans, the Baldwin Learning and Teaching Center, and others.

"Many important topics covered during Orientation are not immediately relevant and only become so after an 'awakening' of sorts," Foster said.

"This program will allow participants to develop new skills prior to the start of the new semester," he said.

In addition, "the program offers an opportunity to focus on sophomores who tend to feel relatively

## Health center seeks to relocate to increase patient flow efficiency

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and it feels good to be able to take care of them," Benson said. "No matter what the financial situation is, it's really hard to argue with \$2,000."

A new facility would also provide the opportunity to offer physical therapy.

Benson proposed the idea of a new health center facility at the most recent Board of Trustees meeting in October.

"The importance of the meeting with the Trustees was to broaden awareness of the full range of illnesses and diseases that undergraduates at Bowdoin face that are diagnosed and treated at the health center," Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley said.

"A new health center facility is a well-understood need in terms of campus planning," Bradley said.

At his presentation before the trustees, Benson shared the results of

an informal study he conducted, in which he pulled every eighth chart of first years and seniors until he had 50 from each of the two classes. He then compared the number of students from each class who were on prescriptions (not including birth control) upon arrival at Bowdoin to see whether students entering college today are on more medications than those who entered college three years ago.

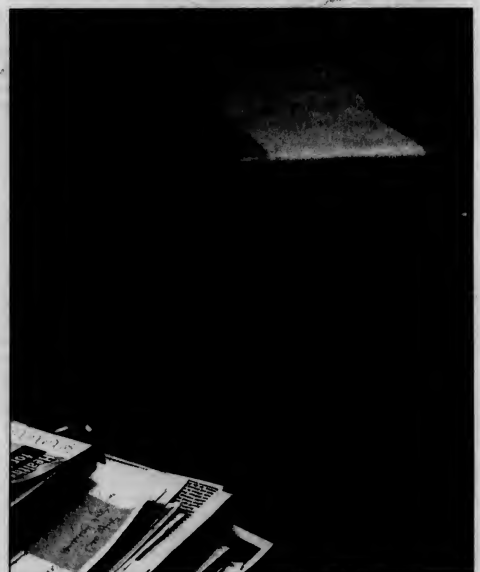
Of the 50 students used in the informal study, there were eight members of the Class of 2006 on two or more prescription medications on arrival compared to 13 current first years, four members of the Class of 2006 on psych medications on arrival compared to six current first years, and ten members of the Class of 2006 on "significant medications" on arrival compared to 12 current first years.

Benson says this shows that students today are entering college on more prescriptions than they were three years ago.

"I'm not sure if it's statistically significant, but it's suggestive," Benson said.

Many of the medications prescribed between freshman and senior year are prescribed through the health center, rather than through family prescriptions, according to Benson. Members of the Dudley Coe staff agreed that the most commonly prescribed medication at the health center is birth control, by far.

"For all of last school year and this semester so far, we've dispensed from our formulary 3,288 packs of OCP's (oral contraceptive pills), 972 Nuvarings (vaginal contraceptive rings), and 672 packs of Plan B (emergency contraception)," Benson



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Offices double as examination rooms at the health center currently. Relocation to a newer building could allow for a more practical use of space.

said. These prescriptions are free of charge to students and not included in counts of written prescriptions.

After birth control, the most frequently prescribed medications are chronic prescriptions, such as anti-depressants, acne medications, asthma medications, and acid-suppressants, in that order.

A number of serious health con-

cerns were also treated at the health center last year as well, including chronic active Hepatitis B, Crohn's disease, Type 1 Diabetes, and malignant tumors.

"I wanted to focus the trustees' enthusiasm to support certain things—to show that college health centers aren't just for runny noses and sore throats," Benson said.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

•Attendance: 25/26. Absent: Elizabeth Gillespie '09.

•Facilities and Security have created a pilot program together. They will distribute white reflective snap bands to students in an effort to improve safety when walking in the dark.

•On December 13, there will be cookie decorating at dinner and a study break sponsored by the

Committee on Student Affairs.

•The Committee on Academic Affairs has drafted a new academic bill of rights which will be reviewed by BSG next semester.

•BSG voted to support a resolution concerning the improvement of the workout facilities on campus, with 23 members in favor and 1 abstaining.

•Of 12 proposed constitutional amendments discussed, 11 were voted on (see related story, page 3).

## An Interview with Senator Susan Collins



Evan Kohn spoke with Maine's junior senator this week about homeland security, the future of energy in America, financial aid, and the war in Iraq.

Photograph courtesy of the Office of U.S. Senator Susan Collins

### Conversations with Maine's Political Leaders

Fourth in a series

Welcome to the fourth in a series of conversations with Maine's political leaders. After speaking with Governor John Baldacci,

Speaker of the Maine State House John Richardson, and Senator Olympia Snowe, this week I had the opportunity to chat with Senator Susan Collins.

Collins, a Caribou, Maine native, was raised by a family that ran a fifth-generation lumber business. She attended St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York, and went on to spend several years working for former Senator William S. Cohen and former Maine Governor John R. McKernan.

Collins became the founding executive director of the Center for Family Business at Husson College in Bangor, Maine in 1994. She won election to the Senate seat vacated by Senator Cohen in 1996 after winning the nomination of the Republican Party.

Collins, Maine's junior senator, is now half-way through her second

term in the Senate and serves as the Chairman of the Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee, and also serves on the Armed Services Committee and the Committee on Aging. Collins is proud of the fact that she has been present for every roll call vote since her first day in the Senate.

The following includes excerpts of the interview.

**Evan Kohn: Senator, what is your response to 9/11 Commission Chairman Thomas Kean and Vice Chairman Lee Hamilton's recent statements in the New York Times and on "Meet the Press" saying that Homeland Security funds and First Responder grants need to be allocated based on risk? As Chair of the Homeland Security Committee, do you think it should be a priority to have these funds allocated to different places based on risk? How are these funds affecting Maine?**

**Senator Susan Collins:** I was very proud that in its final report [on Monday] that the 9/11 Commissioners listed me first among people that they thanked in Congress. I think that was [in recognition] of the work that I've done to ensure the implementation of some of their recommendations in the area that I oversee...There's no doubt that the Homeland Security [funding] formula that is in the current law is flawed,

and it is flawed for many reasons. One is it doesn't have good, strict accountability measures to ensure that the money is being wisely spent. We've seen examples of wasteful spending in Newark, New Jersey, buying air-conditioned garbage trucks with Homeland Security funding. The legislation that Joe Lieberman and I have drafted would put in place strict accountability measures to ensure that money is spent to meet national preparedness goals.

Second, the current law does not allocate funds sufficiently based upon an assessment of risks, threats, and vulnerabilities. But in doing that, you have to be careful not to equate large populations automatically with risks, threats, or vulnerabilities. We know that two of the hijackers began their journey of death and destruction from Portland, Maine...We know that the hijackers trained and organized in rural communities throughout America. So, if we want to increase the preparedness of our nation as a whole, we have to have sophisticated formula, and that's what we proposed. The legislation that Joe Lieberman and I have written would double the amount of funds that are based on the Secretary of Homeland Security's assessment of risks, threats, and vulnerabilities. It would also ensure a meaningful baseline of funding for every state

so that the nation as a whole can achieve preparedness directives.

So, I agree with the 9/11 Commission that the current law is flawed. I support the approach that we've worked out in the Senate, which passed the Senate with the support of 71 senators. I do not believe that the House-approved [bill] is the right way to go because it doesn't recognize that both rural and urban states have vulnerabilities. And it would not bring the entire country up to a certain level of preparedness. A coastal state, a border state clearly has vulnerabilities that a larger, interior urban state might not have. So I think we need a more sophisticated formula...Finally on that we have to remember that terrorists could still attack so-called soft targets [such as] our food supply, malls, and schools in more rural areas in order to spread terror.

**Evan Kohn: I'd like to ask one question about energy. Last week I spoke with Senator Snowe about some of the short-term work being done to deal with high energy prices this winter. Bowdoin has taken a number of steps to encourage and establish more sustainable and efficient uses of energy on campus. What are your long-term plans for energy in America?**

**Senator Susan Collins:** First of all, I think we should set a goal of energy independence for our country, and we should [move ourselves

away] from our dangerous dependence on Middle East oil. In order to do that, we need to take a number of steps. For example, we need to increase fuel efficiency standards for SUVs and light trucks. If we took that step, we would reduce the amount of oil we use by a million barrels a day, and it would have a very significant impact on energy use. We should also pursue more research and development into alternative energy sources that are not fossil fuel-based. We should work to increase energy efficiency of appliances. There are a lot of savings that could be made in that area as well.

But we also need to take action immediately to help lower-income families and seniors who are living on limited income with the high cost of home heating oil. Along with Senator Snowe and a coalition of senators on both sides of the aisle, I have been working and offering amendments in the Senate to almost double the funding for low-income heating assistance programs. That would make a tremendous difference to people living in need. I'm proposing to pay for that increase by eliminating subsidies in our tax code that very large oil and gas companies enjoy. In a time when they're earning record profits there is simply no justification for

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# Senator Susan Collins discusses homeland security, war in Iraq with the Orient

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providing these very large corporations with tax breaks, which they enjoy now to the tune of billions of dollars.

**Evan Kohn:** I'd like to ask a question about the Iraq war. The war has been felt at Bowdoin; many speakers have come to campus and one student Marine just recently left for Iraq service. What is the mood on the Armed Services Committee in regards to the Iraq war?

**Senator Susan Collins:** The Armed Services Committee has

been holding periodic public hearings as well as classified briefings since the war began...Many of us are concerned about the lack of progress in Iraq...Some of [it] is due to a slow start, some of it is due to an ill-fated decision to disband the Iraqi army. So, I think you're seeing even tougher questions and more aggressive oversight.

**Evan Kohn:** Briefly, what are your thoughts on the Higher Education Reauthorization Act?

**Senator Susan Collins:** I have long been a very strong supporter of higher education and the govern-

ment's contributions through Pell Grants...student loans, and other forms of federal assistance. The Senate version was included as part of a budget bill that recently passed. It did not include as much of an increase in Pell Grants as I would like to see. I have been the Senate's leading supporter of Pell Grants throughout my nine years [in the Senate]. I worked at Husson College prior to being elected to the Senate, and I saw first-hand [the impacts] of Pell Grants and [other financial assistance]. For so many students, it truly spells the difference between being able to attend college and not being able to attend college.

So, I'm going to continue to work for further increases in Pell Grant awards. I do think that there are a lot of important provisions in the Higher Education Act. The Senate version does not include what is known as a Fair Share proposal, which would have changed the formula for [granting] student loan money to schools in a way that would have been very detrimental for colleges in Maine. So, I'm pleased that we were able to stop that change, which would have been a bad one.

**Evan Kohn:** In regards to the Brunswick Naval Air Station (BNAS), what specific type of redevelopment do you think would best serve the people of the Mid-Coast region?

**Senator Susan Collins:** That is really up to the people of the Mid-Coast region. Just as the people in



Courtesy of the Office of U.S. Senator Susan Collins

President George W. Bush signs legislation into law as Senator Susan Collins and others watch in support.

northern Maine got together to decide what kind of industry, government, and business entities that they wanted to attract to the site of former Loring Air Force Base, so should the people in the Mid-Coast region decide what the future of BNAS should be. It is an enormous process for the area. People have proposed all sorts of ideas ranging from a commercial airport to, I think I heard, a proposal for an oil refinery from the local people, though I think there would be a lot of opposition to that as well. And

also, proposals ranging from having a golf course and resort to an education entity. So that's really up to local people. My job is to assist in providing federal support for the [redevelopment]...it is my responsibility to try to help them to secure funding to bring the plan to reality.

**Evan Kohn:** Finally, with so many unknowns about Supreme Court candidates and their judicial philosophies toward important issues, how should dialogues about Supreme Court appointments on college campuses be framed?

**Senator Susan Collins:** I think the debate in our country and on college campuses on the Supreme Court, on Iraq, on energy policy, on a host of issues, is a very healthy one. I like to see college students getting more involved in the issues. My office provides internships in my [district] offices and in my Washington office, and we've had students from Bowdoin participate in those internships, and I think they're wonderful opportunities.

So, [whether you debate the] judicial philosophy of Samuel Alito, or what our policy should be in Iraq, I think it is great and contributes to the dialogue in this country.

**Evan Kohn:** Are you planning to run for re-election again in 2008?

**Senator Susan Collins:** That's quite a ways off, and I haven't made a decision. I've very much enjoyed my time in the Senate, and I think I've contributed a lot. I've certainly noticed that as I've gained seniority...I'm able to accomplish much more for my state and my country with each passing year. But right now, I'm just concentrating on my chairmanship of the Homeland Security Committee, my service on the Armed Services and the Aging Committee...and I haven't really been thinking about my future plans.

**Evan Kohn:** And who might you be rooting for in this weekend's Bowdoin-Colby hockey games?

**Senator Susan Collins:** As with Senator Snowe, I wish both teams well and I won't take a side.

**Evan Kohn:** Well, thank you for your time, Senator.

**Senator Susan Collins:** Thank you, Evan.

Look for another Evan Kohn interview with one of Maine's political leaders in the near future.



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# Professor Daniel Levine to retire after 42 years at Bowdoin College

## Professor Profile

by Ben Freedman  
CONTRIBUTOR

As a young boy growing up in Greenwich Village, New York, Daniel Levine knew at the age of eight that he wanted to teach. Now years later, he has fulfilled his childhood aspiration.

Levine, who was granted tenure in 1972, is currently the longest-tenured member of the faculty. Levine has been at Bowdoin since the 1963-64 academic year when he started as an assistant professor of history with a salary of \$8,500. For the last 31 years, he has been the Thomas Brackett Reed professor of history and political science.

Though as a child, Levine wasn't sure where he wanted to teach, over the years, he came to form his employment criteria.

"When I was in graduate school I said, only partly in jest, 'When I go to a job I would like skiing in the winter, sailing in the summer, and the New York Times on the same day it's published.'"

Bowdoin has certainly provided Levine, researcher of the welfare state, with what he wanted in an institution. He also admits that Bowdoin's proximity to Sugarloaf has helped.

Geographical amenities aside, Levine readily acknowledges that "Bowdoin is a very benign employer, a very good place to work. It's very supportive...so, it's a very satisfactory place to teach too...I've been very pleased with Bowdoin." In a complimentary tone, he adds, "The students are very good now, much better than they were when I came."

Throughout his teaching career, Levine has sincerely wanted his students to understand history.

"I desperately want students to learn about the stuff that I'm teaching about. You don't know history to know the future, it doesn't help you on the future—but you know history to know the present. And I want students to begin doing that."

Yet, for Levine, studying and learning history does not only mean absorbing material, but questioning.

"I also want to develop a skepticism in the students. I want people to be skeptical about sources and about authority...don't accept authority." And while Levine wants to teach skepticism, he adds that students should "question, except if I'm the authority."

To put skepticism into a formal academic setting, Levine once taught a course entitled "Interpretations of American History." Not a typical history course, this one had students do multiple readings about each time period. Each reading had a different, unique historical view. Levine wanted his students to decipher each view, "find out who makes a convincing case, who doesn't, [and] why do they make the kind of case they do."

Countless graduates have certainly felt Levine's teaching effects. One alum, now a University of Chicago Law School professor, has told Levine that since taking Interpretations of American History, he has never read anything without the skepticism he learned in that course.

Levine's academic contributions

to the Bowdoin community continue well beyond his hopes of instilling skepticism in his students.

As a young professor, Levine was single-handedly responsible for introducing African-American history (originally named "Negro History") to the course catalog.

Prior to his action, "there was no such thing as Negro history at Bowdoin, and there was no such history as Negro history in most colleges."

Levine distinctly remembers that his motivation for creating this area of study was a result of the civil rights movement leader Stokely Carmichael. "Stokely Carmichael said in some interview, 'Don't come down to Mississippi and teach us to vote. We know how to vote. Talk at Berkeley. The white students at Berkeley, that's where the problem is.' That's what he said. So I said, Oh, the white students at Berkeley, at Bowdoin. And I began teaching black history."

Levine wanted to participate somehow in the historic movement. "What was I competent at? I was competent at teaching history. So I would begin teaching history."

What began as active participation in the civil rights movement has developed into a professional area of interest. Levine has written numerous works based on race and welfare in the United States and abroad.

His most recent book is a biography of civil rights leader Bayard Rustin, published by Rutgers University Press in 2000.

Another of Levine's books, *Poverty and Society: The Growth of the American Welfare State* in

*International Comparison*, also published by Rutgers University Press in 1988, had its roots planted during a Fulbright Scholarship nearly 20 years earlier. He was granted his first Fulbright Senior Lectureship in 1969. Given the options of Austria, Vietnam, and Denmark, Levine chose to teach in Scandinavia.

Ever since his year in Denmark, Levine has developed strong ties with the nation. He has returned as a guest professor and lecturer at the University of Copenhagen, and remains fluent in Danish.

While Levine has very much enjoyed his time in Brunswick, he is ready for the next step in his life and academic career—retirement. At the end of this academic year, Levine will be officially retired. However, he looks forward to returning as an adjunct professor, teaching one course per year and continuing his research.

He anticipates continued use of all the Maine coast has to offer. With more free time in retirement, Levine expects to join his son at his house on Sugarloaf and use his ski pass more frequently.

Additionally, Levine has played the cello for many years and is "putting more and more and more time and effort and emotional investment in playing."

As Levine's professional career comes close to an end, his contributions will continue to affect this campus for years to come. Bowdoin College has undoubtedly benefited and will benefit from his presence.

The young boy from Greenwich Village who wanted to grow up to be a teacher has not disappointed himself.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Professor Dan Levine pioneered the African-American studies program at Bowdoin. He plans to retire from full-time teaching at the end this year.

# Condoms are good fit for HPV prevention

## Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: I keep hearing conflicting information: Do condoms protect against HPV or not? —L.J.

Dear L.J.: Condoms do protect against the spread of the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV). This has been demonstrated in a number of studies. According to the Centers for Disease Control, laboratory studies have shown that HPV cannot pass through latex barriers like condoms. Condoms protect against cervical HPV infection, the type of HPV infection that can sometimes lead to cervical cancer.

This protection is not absolute, however. Condoms, of course, can only protect the skin that they cover against infection. Studies of the protective efficacy of condoms against HPV, like all "real-life" studies of sexually transmitted infection (STI) prevention, often and unavoidably include significant methodological problems. These methodological shortcomings have not allowed

researchers to conclude definitively that this protection is absolute.

These shortcomings, and the fact that condoms cannot prevent the spread of HPV to or from genital areas they literally do not cover, have made some conclude that condoms cannot, in fact, be said to protect against the spread of HPV. The "Abstinence Only" campaigners, in particular, have argued that abstinence is the only "proven" protection against HPV, and that because of the relationship between HPV and cervical cancer, the choice facing young adults has really become one of "Virginity or Death," as Katha Pollit put it at last week's Common Hour. Similarly, commentators at the conservative think tank the Heritage Foundation, like to refer to HPV as "the deadly HPV"—even though more than 99 percent of people who contract the virus never die from it.

HPV is by far the most prevalent STI. The numbers involved are truly staggering. It is estimated that 75 percent of sexually active people contract HPV at one time or another, and that at any given point in time, 20 million Americans have genital HPV infections that can be transmitted to others. Every year, over 5.5 million people become infected. Very fortunately, however, the great majority of HPV infections are overcome by our immune systems and resolve themselves without further complications.

Four of the over 30 sexually transmissible strains of the virus, though, cause cellular changes which can lead to cancer. In particular, cervical cancer is virtually always associated with untreated HPV Type 16 or Type 18. These are called "the high risk" sub-types,

and they are "high risk" not because they always or even often cause cervical cancer, but because almost all cervical cancers can be traced back to them. To be perfectly clear: even the great majority of women with high-risk HPV on their cervixes will never develop cervical cancer.

Cancer of the cervix occurs in nearly 16,000 women each year, and causes some 5,000 deaths in the U.S. annually. These are, of course, very significant numbers. They are also several orders of a magnitude smaller than the HPV numbers cited above. Cancer of the cervix is one of the most treatable and preventable cancers. Microinvasive carcinomas of the cervix is nearly always curable surgically. It has a long pre-clinical phase, which permits early detection. In fact, regular screening Pap smears very effectively pick up early, pre-cancerous changes, and treatment at these early stages is curative.

More than half of women newly diagnosed with invasive cervical cancer have never had a Pap smear, and another ten percent have not had one in the previous five years. Cervical cancer may indeed be an

researcher's "STD," but it is most importantly a disease of medical neglect.

Back to condoms! The studies reviewed by the National Institute of Health and compiled by the CDC in a January, 2004 report, conclude that regular use of condoms is associated with lower

rates of HPV-associated diseases AND cervical cancer (for the complete report, please see <http://www.cdc.gov/std/HPV/2004HPV%20Report.pdf> at the CDC's web site.)

These same studies show that condoms offer very effective protection against the spread of HIV, an STI that has claimed almost 500,000 American lives over the past 20 years, and which threatens to kill untold tens of millions more around the world. Condoms also offer very effective protection against chlamydia, an STI which infects over three million people in this country each year. And, finally, condoms also offer reasonably effective protection (about 85 percent) against unwanted pregnancies. From a public health standpoint, it is simply criminal to discourage condom use.

Total abstinence does presumably offer nearly 100 percent protection against STIs and unplanned pregnancies. And for some people, abstinence remains the best choice. For others, however, it is not, and those individuals need useful, scientific information to make their own best choices.

If that choice is safer sex, they need condoms! And we have plenty to hand out at the Health Center—and plenty of appointments for Pap tests, too.

Be well!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center

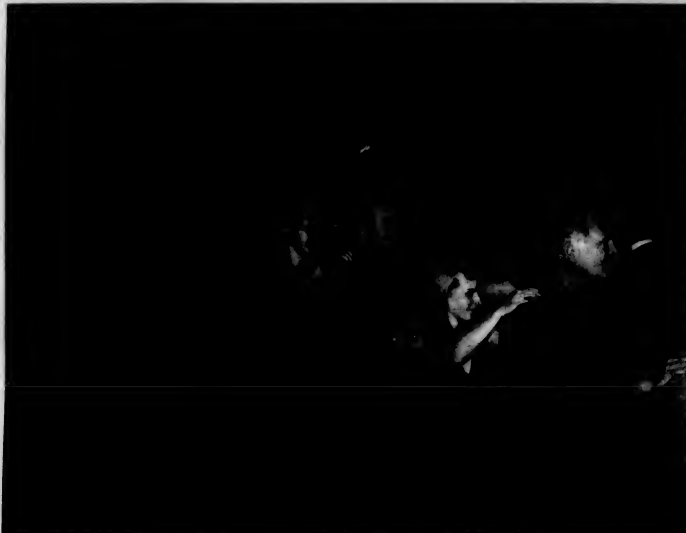
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## Drumming concert begets conga line



Courtesy of Beau Bulmer

President Barry Mills (center) joined Professor Jean Yarbrough (second from left) in the conga line that broke out during the World Music Ensemble and Chamber Choir concert last Sunday.

## Art students to exhibit fruits of their labor

by Frances Killea  
STAFF WRITER

The big glass windows in Hawthorne-Longfellow Library afford passers-by a view of the traffic the library has channeled during the last few weeks before break. Students, who are crouched over tables, hunched in their chairs and glued to computer screens, generate a quiet tension as they busy themselves with final projects and papers. Although their studios don't have the big picture windows to give the campus a sidelong glance at their progress throughout the semester, students of the art department gather this weekend from spaces all across campus for a show of their final work.

Starting on Thursday night with the work by students of Architectural Design and Sculpture I and II on display in Adams Hall, the end of the semester art show promises some truly amazing visual experiences. Friday at 4:00 p.m., the printmaking and photography classes will not only have work hung in the Visual Arts Center (VAC) but will be selling prints and photos in the VAC "fish-bowl" from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Simultaneously, this semester's draw-

ing and painting classes will show their work upstairs. Wanderers down to the basement will find more photography and printmaking pieces.

Following the show and sale on campus at the VAC, this semester's Advanced Studies in Visual Art class will hold an opening beginning at 6:00 p.m. in a gallery space in Fort Andross.

"Students have worked for weeks to transform a space down at Fort Andross [by building walls and repainting it] into an amazing gallery to showcase their recent work," said art department technician Courtney Brecht.

The recent work of 350 art students is a diversity of paintings, ink drawings, charcoal, printmaking, film, and sculpture pieces.

The work that will be unveiled at the receptions on Friday will remain on view through the end of the semester, and the weekend's art events continue with a tidal installation at the Coastal Studies Center. Environmental Studies 305: Investigations in the Maine Landscape, is adding a bit of itself to the Orr island coast, "a la Christo and Jean Claude," says Brecht.

"Go check it out," she added.

## Christmas fashions from head to mistletoe

by Monica Ruzicka and  
Vanessa Kitchen  
CONTRIBUTORS

The end of the semester is imminent; fun and festivity lie just around the corner.

"What am I going to wear?" Is almost as familiar a jingle as "ho ho ho" when the season of giving, and subsequently holiday party invitations, arrives. Those knitted sweaters your grandmother gives you every Christmas may keep you warm, but nubby yarn and appliqué snowmen will do nothing to highlight your best attributes. Although different occasions call for different attire, it's safe to say that Kringle-themed apparel should be strictly reserved for family functions. Here are a few alternatives that may help sass up your holiday wardrobe.

The holiday season is the one time of the year when sequins are the hottest fashion staple. The trend works great as a dress, top, skirt, or purse. Although the number and configuration of sequins may vary, the end result is generally the same: attention-grabbing glam. If you go heavy with the sequins, go light with accessories. A sleek hoop earring won't compete with the rest of your look. A word of advice: if you don't have a sequined top, go for a less ornate skirt (and vice versa). You'll look more polished and less Las Vegas.

Dresses come in all shapes and sizes this winter, so go for the color and style that best flatters your complexion and body type. The full skirt is in, so don't be afraid to wear a dress that's strapless and fitted at the top and puffs out at the bottom. This style is great for all body types. Halters are also fashionable and flattering, as well as cap sleeve and

wrap dresses. The little black cocktail dress is a timeless staple, but if black isn't you, go for a copper, gold, silver, maroon, or cream.

If your occasion calls for a more relaxed look, slip on the perfect pair of jeans. Although fit is most important, color certainly plays a role in the overall look. Dark denim makes a bold and classy statement for nighttime affairs. Luckily for the girls, this winter's perfect match for a dressy denim look is a flowing top. Starting with an empire waist, the fabric loosely shapes the torso, flowing down to the hips. This cut is flattering on everyone, and eliminates the need to "suck in" after attacking the buffet table.

An outfit is never complete without a great pair of shoes. Peep-toe shoes are a must-have right now. Not only glamorously retro, they'll work for spring too. Peep-toes tend to visually shorten the leg with pants, so a better option with your denim might be the classic pointy-toe shoe. Opt for a shiny pump or a leather boot with a knee-length skirt and you'll be at the height of fashion. Speaking of height, if your man is a Tom and you're a Katie, there's no shame in wearing flats. Go for a ballet flat, and you'll be dressed to impress without towering over your date.

For the guys out there who want to spice up their holiday attire, we have some tips for you as well. If the event calls for a shirt and tie, there are ways to modernize the ageless trend. Striped ties are appropriate for almost any occasion. For a subdued look, err on the side of neutral shirts.

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## Thai Paradise an ethnic elysium

by Leslie Bridgers  
STAFF WRITER

Though my two friend and I were the only Tuesday night patrons of the restaurant on Pleasant Street, our waitress assured us that this was not the norm. She proceeded to sit us in the very back corner of the empty restaurant, giving us the seemingly optimal position to enjoy the ethnic muzak. Our proximity to the speaker quickly turned that enjoyment into pain, but also provided a muffling effect that allowed us to comment freely on our food.

I played it safe, choosing my favorite Thai starter, Tom Kha Kai, a chicken coconut soup. Though I have had this in nearly every Thai restaurant that I have been to, I feel fairly confident in saying that this was the best, and certainly the best in Brunswick (though the dining services do have a very nice version). The mushrooms were delicious, the broth was creamy and flavorful, and the kick of spice was perfectly suited to my sensitive taste buds.

The spring rolls were a well-done version of the classic Asian appetizer. The vegetables and noodles wrapped in rice paper and served with sweet and sour sauce were crispy and, in the spectrum of fried foods, light and relatively grease-free. The steamed dumplings, another favorite, were not quite as typical. The soft, chewy wraps were huge, flat, and loaded with chives.

While appetizer offerings were extensive, including fried tofu, chicken satay, and a few more soups, the main menu was almost overwhelming in size. There are entire selections of dinner sized salads, Thai curry dishes, several styles of duck and seafood, noodles or fried



Drew Fulton, the Bowdoin Orient

Thai Paradise offers tasteful decor and tastier meals.

rice served with any meat or tofu, and house specialties.

Listed as a salad, the Yum Woon Sen was mostly a noodle dish, served with a wedge of lettuce. Mixed in with the noodles were shrimp, chicken, onions, and chili pepper. This dish is indicated as spicy in the menu, and even in its most mild form was pretty hot.

The drunken chicken, a Thai staple of stir-fried chicken, green beans, peppers, and basil leaves, was better than I've had before. One of my companions ordered the medium-spiced version, which he found sinus-tickling, making me and my sensitive palette apprehensive to try

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# Squid documents domestic struggle



courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Brothers Frank and Walt Berkman struggle to deal with their parents' divorce in Noah Baumbach's *The Squid and the Whale*.



by Gabe Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

Tucked behind a staircase in New York's American Museum of Natural History, a sperm whale and giant squid face off in a still frame of plaster appendages and children's book hues. A beguiling diorama, by way of both majesty and monstrosity, the display is a well-employed allegorical centerpiece for Noah Baumbach's new and semi-autobiographical film, *The Squid and the Whale*, in which an adolescent boy witnesses another of nature's most ferocious yet mysterious rivalries: divorce.

For protagonist Walt, the announcement of his parents' separation is a line drawn in the sand. His life is now a battlefield, his family suddenly two clans speaking in violent tongues. They seem to make sense only when one takes sides.

Presented by Baumbach as a still impressionable Ahab, Walt navigates the choppy waters of his parental leviathans with younger brother Frank in tow. We cringe and laugh as, amidst the brownstone corridors of a 1986 Brooklyn, the brothers deal with the new war at home, pawns armed with impotent harpoons, crippled by the evaporation of their parents' mythic love. It's appropriate that, as Walt explains to a rent-a-ship early on in the film, he was never able to look directly at the squid and the whale exhibit as a child. Albeit comforted by

his mother, he always covered his eyes. Had he been able to look, he may have realized that, after a few moments, it becomes hard to discern the difference between the creatures' deep-sea death lock and an embrace.

Primarily garnering Walt's sympathy and awe, Jeff Daniels is riveting as Bernard Berkman, the confident but incompetent father. A spitting image of aging schlubbery, Bernard can't resist eyeing the attractive minors he

*There is a humble timelessness to this film, one that transcends the familiar theme of children caught up in the folklore of their own real-life giants.*

teaches in a dreary high school writing class, his wild beard hanging like the curdled run-off from a festering literary career. He seems capable of fatherhood only through masculine vagaries and an implied intellectual superiority, all of which enchants Walt, much to the dismay of the audience. We cringe when Bernard encourages his son to sleep around rather than go steady with his girlfriend; we tear up when Walt actually follows his advice.

In a key scene, Walt passes off Pink Floyd's "Hey You" as his own creation at the school talent show, punctuating the night by harshly insulting his mother. He is, at that very moment, his father's son, but the event marks him as less of an aspiring rabble-rouser than a tragic marionette. Walt's behavior is painful in its helplessness; the desperate plagiarism and spiteful lan-

guage with which he acts out are the sole property of his oblivious father.

Walt's little brother, Frank, similarly, (and rather grotesquely) reflects upon the traits of his "preferred" parent. Clinging to his mother and the original family home, Frank shows a tendency toward debauchery, somehow accessing the household liquor and drinking himself silly while miming various sexual acts. All of this takes place right under the nose of his mother, whose adulterous nature provides the obnoxious excuse for her negligence (the film is wisely unclear as to whether her affairs were the cause of marital troubles or in fact their byproduct).

Laura Linney brings a cryptic independence to Joan, her broad eyelids as uncertain as the shingles of a widow's mansion, silently mourning yet flickering at the prospect of a new suitor. Her relationship with the children's tennis coach and fresh success as a novelist add fuel to Bernard's jealousy, while hinting at a woman whose stability and adaptability hang a notch above those of her ex-husband's.

While both adults spin different stories of the divorce's origins, one thing is certain: each excels at narcissistic, clumsy parenting. It is Baumbach's remarkable achievement, however, that through such bleakness of character, Walt's parents seem just as lost as their children, rounded out by a quiet despair that is sympathy's

most competent beggar. Composed with a searing frankness and fully realized urgency, Baumbach's incarnations simply exude a believable habitation. Joan and Bernard feel lived in and weathered—not once do they stink of taxidermy, the unfortunate side effect of many a self-reflective work. There is a humble timelessness to this film, one that transcends the familiar theme of children caught in the folklore of their own real-life giants. By lifting Joan and Bernard from hypocrisy and carelessness to a realm of middle-aged purgatory, Baumbach reveals a frightening yet insightful inevitability of the selfishness that permeates parenthood.

As Walt carries out his father's crusade, clawing at any semblance of guilt or redemption, a blossoming relationship with a girlfriend of his own offers a stinging but necessary perspective. More and more, Walt confronts the detriments of rehearsing his father's lovelorn rigor mortis. Little by little, he pulls back the veil on a mother he barely gave a chance. Baumbach lends no viability to the closure of a final stalemate between his parents. Instead, Walt's future hangs frozen in time, a fitting backdrop for two old plaster creatures, lodged in battle. At the very least, Walt may be persuaded take his hands from his face to look. It could be the first step toward raising the sail, escaping an abyss that, however familiar, will surely swallow him up.

# Smitty's and Gritty's

by Carter Thomas  
COLUMNIST

SMITHWICK'S (\$8.29 for a six-pack)

This beer was recommended by Bowdoin alum Dave Barker '76 who knows a good beer when he sees one. Referred to by native Irishmen as "Smidick's," this Irish Red Ale was introduced to the United States on St. Patrick's Day by the Guinness Brewing Company. It is indeed an incredible find, one of the smoothest beers I have come across in my beer drinking tenure. I would describe the texture as creamy with a malt-heavy flavor, as though traditional Guinness took two steps forward, two steps back, and then one step forward again toward the larger end of the beer spectrum. When poured, Smithwick's assumes a solid brown color, though a shade of red can be seen when the glass is held up to the light, much darker than traditional red ales and coloring commonly associated with the hair of much of the Irish population. Because of its recent inauguration in the

United States, it is a bit difficult to track a six pack of this stuff down, but I highly recommend trying to do so, especially if you like Guinness or beer in general. *My Scores: Taste: 4.0 Partyability: 3.7 (I hear people love this stuff at pub crawls on the other side of the pond) Benefit/Cost: 3.2.*

GRITTY MCDUFF'S CHRISTMAS ALE (\$7.49 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

This beer is awesome. Surprisingly, this brew is classified as an extra special/strong bitter beer, though I failed to taste any of the powerful bitterness the label would suggest. The most incredible thing about this beer is the multiplicity of flavors Gritty manages to pack into each gulp—a definite malt base, loads of different spices, a smooth sweetness (caramel maybe?), with a very, very subtle, bitter aftertaste. The color of this beer is a deep amber that could easily be misjudged for a brown if one didn't look closely or were color-blind. Unfortunately, this beer failed to include any sort of Christmas cheer in the packaging—I would really like to see Gritty step it up next year with some wrapping paper, candy canes, or eggnog sampler, just to name a few suggestions. This beer would be a terrific beverage to enjoy while mingling at the boring holiday parties we will all be going to this season, especially we seniors who are going to have to make up some story about what we are doing next year. Drink up, I say, and think about that fun party later. *My Scores: Taste: 4.7 Partyability: 2.0 (college party) 4.0 (yuppie cocktail party) Benefit/Cost: 3.9*

MYSTERY BREW AT THE JUNIOR SENIOR BALL (\$2.75 for a beer, available in the shady back corner of Thorne Dining Hall)

I am not sure what was in that keg, but it is hard for me to believe it was beer. After shelling out my hard earned money, I took a sip of the semi-cold beer and immediately cringed. "Wow," I thought. "This is awful." Not surprisingly, I began an investigation. My first course of action was to find out what kind of beer it was supposed to be by asking a few of my fellow drinking associates. "Budweiser!" a faint chirp in the back exclaimed. "Ahh, indeed... Budweiser gone awry," said a voice in the back of my head. I then shuffled to the side of the bar where the very bartender who had given me my beverage was situated. This is where things got interesting. "Excuse me," I said politely, "but could I have another beer? Mine seems to have gone bad." He gave me a puzzled look and quickly said, "No, we don't give refills." It was time to up the ante. "I realize that, but this beer is awful and I only had one sip," I continued. Now,

obviously agitated, he barked, "The only reason you think it's bad is because it's Sam Adams, which is really good beer, probably better than what you are used to." I took a moment to digest this statement, thinking how best to respond with full and utmost courtesy while inflicting the most embarrassment possible. "My good sir," I began, "not only is that a bold faced lie, it is an insult to the Sam Adams Brewing Company. Unfortunately for you, I write a beer review every week whereby I taste and evaluate dozens of beers, none of which have ever tasted as foul as this one. I beg you to retract that statement and hope the beer Gods have mercy on your soul." This was compounded by a brilliant flank made by Mr. Spar Patton '06 who said, "Dude, this tastes like applesauce that was left in the sun for five days and then run through a juicer." After this went down, Spar and I gave each other high fives, remarked upon how awesome we are, and left the black hole of alcoholic misfortune that was Thorne Dining Hall.

## Holiday fashions

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If you want to go bold, try an unusual color combination. Pastels paired with a dark color works nicely. Just remember, it's great to be edgy, but you want to stop short of ridiculous. If you skip the tie, you have more freedom to experiment with the shirt. Go for a French collar shirt or a nice v-neck sweater minus the collared shirt. The look is streamlined and classic, without looking overdone.

The same light-versus-dark denim rule applies for guys, so keep that in mind when choosing a pair.

Another option for day or night is a great pair of slacks. The chino pant has a flat front, which lends to a cleaner overall appearance. Front pleating is not only outdated, it creates an unnatural shape with an overabundance of material at the hips and a tapered leg. Pair nice trousers with a brown or black loafer, and you're all set to ask a gorgeous sequined lady to accompany you to the next cocktail party.

## Thai Paradise a garden of good eatin'

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it. I handled it well, however—I even delighted in its flavor which wasn't as all over-ridden, and perhaps even enhanced by the chili-based sauce.

For my main course, I stuck with another of my favorite Thai dishes, Pad Se-Eaw. The large rice noodles stir-fried with egg, carrots, and broccoli in a dark soy sauce, was typical of what I've had, which was fine for me. The portion was so big that even I, voted "Biggest Appetite" by my high school classmates, took home a doggie bag. Of course, I finished it off later that night.

I highly recommend enjoying one of these inevitably exquisite meals with a Singha, Thailand's own light, crisp beer. Though it may not have the highest "partyability," it is definitely one I suggest that Carter get his

hands on.

All in all, you can't go wrong with Thai Paradise. So, while you're feeling the pressure of finals, do yourself a favor and take the time to enjoy this reasonably-priced, Brunswick gem; just watch out for the temptation of Uncle Tom's staring you in the face from next door as you leave.

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# SPORTS

## Women's basketball slams Colby-Sawyer



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Julia Loonin '07 posted a game-high 17 points for the Bears in last night's game.

*After charging past Colby-Sawyer, the Polar Bears will look to preserve their three-game winning streak against Colby this Saturday.*

by Anna Karass  
ORIENT STAFF

The Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team overwhelmed Colby-Sawyer in last night's home game for their 57th straight win in Morrell Gymnasium. The fourth-ranked Polar Bears defeated the Chargers 87-57 to improve to 6-1 for the season.

Despite holding a double-digit lead for almost the entire game, the Polar Bears played hard, chasing every stray ball and going for every rebound.

"I thought it was high energy," new assistant coach Julie Veilleux said. "We had a balanced attack especially in the first half. We took the starters out and put the second string in. They did a great job. We had great defense and we were shooting well."

The Polar Bears boasted a 20-point lead at the half with first year Jill Anelauskas leading the charge in the first half. Anelauskas finished the game with ten points and 12 boards.

Also posting double digits were senior Lauren Withey, junior Julia Loonin, and sophomore Marisa Berne. Junior guard Loonin had a game-high 17 points for the Bears.

Last weekend, rebounding from a crushing loss to the University of Southern Maine, the Polar Bears picked up two victories on the road.

On Saturday, Bowdoin defeated RPI 71-61. The Eagles recovered from a 22-point deficit early in the second half to come within ten points of Bowdoin.

Five Polar Bears posted double digits. Loonin led the scoring for Bowdoin with three trifectas in the first half and a final tally of 19 points. Flaherty and Anelauskas added 12 points apiece. Senior Justine Pouravelis and Berne contributed 11 and ten points, respectively.

The next day the Polar Bears blazed past the College of Staten Island, scoring 11 points in the first few minutes of play. Capitalizing on their early momentum, Bowdoin doubled Staten Island's score going into the half. The Polar Bears increased their lead to a 45-point high in the second half, easily defeating Staten Island 85-42.

Loonin, Flaherty, and Anelauskas carried Bowdoin, posting 16 points each for the Bears. Berne added 12 points to the Bowdoin tally.

This Saturday, the Polar Bears will look to continue their three-game winning streak in an away game against Colby. The team is not taking any chances, despite beating the Mules last year.

"They are a really good team. We need to come out strong and make sure we do all the little things," Berne said.

## Hoops drops to Bobcats

by Mario N. López  
CONTRIBUTOR

The men's basketball team saw their win streak of six consecutive games come to an end, suffering a devastating 88-62 loss to NESAC rival Bates. The two teams met this past Tuesday night in Lewiston in a non-official competition. Both squads now hold a 6-2 record.

Bowdoin got out to a rough start, trailing by 15 points early in the first half. The stifling Bobcat defense and rowdy crowd seemed to rattle the Polar Bear offense. Co-captain Kyle Petrie '06, who has been plagued by foul trouble early in the season, picked up two fouls after only four minutes of play in the game. His limited action on the court throughout the game haunted the Polar Bears.

"As soon as Kyle left the game, we lost momentum and started to fall apart," said guard Antwan Phillips '06.

The stingy Bobcats would not let up on the defensive end and Bowdoin's deficit only increased. Bates continued the charge and increased its lead to 22 points just minutes before the break. They held the Polar Bears to under 30 points in the half, posting a

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## W. hockey loses twice to Plattsburgh

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Hockey Team slipped to 2-3 after twin losses to second-ranked Plattsburgh last weekend.

On Saturday the Polar Bears were down 3-1 in the first period, with Bowdoin's first goal scored by first year Scooter Walsh. Bowdoin stepped up its level of play in the second period, but not before Plattsburgh increased its lead by another goal.

Sophomores Caroline Currie and Katie Coyne gave Bowdoin a goal each, but were unable to overcome Plattsburgh's four goals. Senior Catherine MacEachern stopped 33 shots for Bowdoin.

The Polar Bears lost their second face-off to Plattsburgh 2-1 on Sunday. After a scoreless first period, Forney gave Bowdoin the lead 15 minutes into the second period. Within three minutes, Plattsburgh countered to tie the game. Two minutes into the final period, Plattsburgh scored the game-winning goal.

Under the strong leadership of senior co-captains Becca Selden and Kelsey Wilcox, the team has gained seven new players, adding depth and talent to the already strong team.

"[They] have been asked to step in and contribute immediately and have been very successful," junior Meghan Gillis said. "They are great additions to the team both in terms of skill as well as personalities."

The team is taking the recent losses in stride, since Manhattanville—whom they lost to the weekend before—and Plattsburgh began training well before Bowdoin. The Polar Bears will face Colby at home on Saturday at 4 p.m. Colby is 1-1 in the NESAC/ECAC and 3-1 overall.

"We have an extreme depth of talent. We're able to roll four lines of equal skill, which is rare in women's hockey. Most teams only play two to three lines. This is tribute to the recruiting ability of our coaches and the girls they have chosen to bring in," junior Meghean Tanguay said. "This weekend should be a great game."

## Men's hockey ices competition

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Hockey Team continued its impressive start to the season with two convincing wins, moving them up to 11th in the nation in the most recent NCAA DIII poll.

Bowdoin's first victory, a 5-0 thrashing of Skidmore on Friday, was a testament to the outstanding play of Bowdoin's back line. The defense only allowed nine shots on goal, all of which were saved by George Papachristopoulos '06, who recorded his third shutout of the season. Papachristopoulos is currently the second-highest rated goalkeeper in the conference.

Bowdoin's second win of the weekend, a 6-2 victory over Castleton on Saturday, increased the team's winning streak to four games. Within this four game span, the team has outscored its opponents by a remarkable 26-4 margin, improving its overall record to 5-1-0.

Bowdoin's only loss came at the hands of Babson, which snuck up from behind to steal a victory away from the Polar Bears on November 19.



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George Papachristopoulos '06 guards goal last Friday against Skidmore.

Please see HOCKEY, page 11

# Women's squash goes 5-0 at Wesleyan

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Squash Team improved to a record of 7-0 this weekend in a tournament at Wellesley College. The team won all five of its matches.

On Saturday, the Polar Bears defeated Middlebury and Wesleyan, both 9-0, and beat William Smith six matches to three. Early Sunday morning they faced Stanford, emerging victorious with a score of 8-1. The team finished off the weekend with another 8-1 win against Mount Holyoke.

William Smith, currently ranked 15th for women's collegiate teams, upset 12th ranked St. Lawrence earlier this season (Bowdoin is ranked 13th). The Polar Bears' success against St. Lawrence was the most important of the weekend since it will improve their own ranking.

Several Polar Bears had exciting matches this weekend. First year Biz Gillespie pulled out a 3-2 win over her Stanford opponent, winning the first two games of the match, losing the third and fourth, but skillfully taking the fifth game 9-6.

"I was definitely feeling the heat in the Stanford match," she said. "My opponent wanted the win just as much as I did, but I managed to regain the control over the court that I had established in the first two games. It was setting the pace of our points that mattered in the end."

Fellow first year Kate Gormley also won a close match against her

Middlebury opponent, recovering from a 1-2 score in the first three games by taking the last two games, 9-5 and 9-2.

The weekend's highlight was captain Niki Clement's '06 match against Guatemalan national champion Pamela Anckerman, a member of the Mount Holyoke team.

Although Anckerman won 3-1, both players demonstrated skill and poise on the court, drawing many spectators including parents, coaches, and players from many of the other teams, at the tournament. Anckerman took a close first game 10-9, but Clement rallied for a 9-7 win in the second. Anckerman took the final two games 9-2 and 10-8.

"You have to remember that you are just playing 'a player' and to leave their name and history at the door," said Clement.

The long tournament, immediately before the end of the semester, posed a challenge to the team as the women tried to squeeze classwork into their free time, while remaining focused on court.

"Even though it was a long and tiring weekend, everyone played well and I think the team truly earned the wins," Maddie McQueeney '09 said. Alex Franceschi '09 agreed, "Playing five matches within a day and a half was difficult, but it really reveals which parts of your game need improvement."

The women have this weekend off, while the men's team will be traveling to Yale for 5-Mans, an open tournament.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	0	0	7	0
Amherst	0	0	5	0
Bates	0	0	6	2
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	0	0	6	2
Trinity	0	0	6	2
Williams	0	0	6	2
Conn. College	0	0	5	2
Tufts	0	0	5	2
Wesleyan	0	0	5	4
Colby	0	0	3	4

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 12/3 at Maine Maritime	W	65-55
Tu 12/6 at Bates	L	88-62

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Sa 12/10 at Colby	7:00 P.M.	

## MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	ECAC/NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	T	W
Colby	4	0	0	7
Middlebury	4	0	0	6
Williams	3	0	1	4
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	3	1	0	5
Trinity	3	1	0	5
Hamilton	2	2	0	3
Amherst	1	2	1	3
Wesleyan	1	3	0	2
Conn. Coll.	0	3	0	0
Tufts	0	4	0	2

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
F 12/2 v. Skidmore	W	5-0
Sa 12/3 v. Castleton State	W	6-2

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
F 12/9 at Colby	7:00 P.M.	
Sa 12/10 v. Colby	4:00 P.M.	

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Colby	0	0	4	0
Tufts	0	0	3	0
Middlebury	0	0	5	1
Williams	0	0	4	1
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	0	0	3	1
Bates	0	0	2	2
Conn. College	0	0	2	2
Trinity	0	0	2	2
Wesleyan	0	0	2	2
Amherst	0	0	1	3

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 12/3 at RPI	W	71-61
Su 12/4 at Staten Island	W	85-42
Th 12/8 v. Colby-Sawyer	W	87-57

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Sa 12/10 at Colby	5:00 P.M.	

## WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	ECAC/NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	T	W
Middlebury	4	0	0	6
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	2	0	0	3
Williams	3	0	1	3
Trinity	2	1	1	3
Colby	1	1	0	3
Amherst	2	4	0	2
Conn. College	1	3	0	2
Hamilton	1	3	0	2
Wesleyan	1	5	0	1

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 12/3 at Plattsburgh	L	4-3
Su 12/4 at Plattsburgh	L	2-1

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Sa 12/10 v. Colby	4:00 P.M.	

- Compiled by Adam Kommel. Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC.

## MEN'S SQUASH

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
F 12/9 5-Mans (at Yale)	TBA	

## WOMEN'S SQUASH

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 12/3 v. Middlebury	W	9-0
Sa 12/3 v. William Smith	W	6-3
Sa 12/3 v. Wesleyan	W	9-0
Su 12/4 v. Stanford	W	8-1
Su 12/4 v. Mt. Holyoke	W	8-1
(all games at Wesleyan RR)		

## MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 12/3 v. Tufts	L	166-104
W 12/7 v. Bates	W	150-70

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
F 12/9-11 Bowdoin Open (exhibition)	8:00 A.M.	

## W. SWIMMING & DIVING

<b>SCOREBOARD</b>		
Sa 12/3 v. Tufts	L	171-125
W 12/7 v. Bates	W	158-81

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
F 12/9-11 Bowdoin Open (exhibition)	8:00 A.M.	

## MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Sa 12/10 at Southern Maine	1:00 P.M.	

## WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Sa 12/10 at Southern Maine	1:00 P.M.	

## Hockey wins twice, will face Colby

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Much of the offense in last weekend's games came from captain Adam Dann '06, who contributed two goals in each game. These four goals made him the highest goal scorer in the NESCAC division and merited player of the week honors.

The presence of a player of Dann's caliber makes the Polar Bears legitimate contenders against any team within the conference, but Dann credits his teammates with this year's success.

"What I like about this team is that we seem to control our own destiny," he said.

Even with all this early success there is a general consensus among the players that they could be playing better.

"I don't think our play has reflected our real potential so far this season," said Steven Thompson '08. "I feel that we will gradually improve until we reach our goal of playing in the NESCAC finals."

Bowdoin hopes to continue its winning streak throughout this weekend with two games against Colby, one at home and one on the road. Colby currently leads the NESCAC with a 7-0 overall record.

"The fans have a lot of fun at these games and we definitely feed off their energy so hopefully we will have a good fan base at both games," said Greg McCormell '07.

## Basketball falls to Bates

BASKETBALL, from page 10

45-27 score at intermission.

Bates returned to the court to score 43 more points in their cruise control victory. Even though the Polar Bears came out with a better offensive display, they still suffered on the glass. Bowdoin lost a number of second shot opportunities as the Bobcats out-rebounded the Polar Bears by a 46-31 margin.

Sophomore Andrew Hippert led four Polar Bears in double-digit points, logging 15. Junior point guard Kevin Bradley scored 12, Petrie netted 11 points and grabbed ten boards for a double-double, and forward Andrew Sargeantson '08 dropped in ten.

The energy that Bates fans brought to the gymnasium was intense. Sargeantson missed two easy layups in the first half and sophomore center Jordan Fliegel shot an airball from the free-throw line.

"I was so nervous, it was unbelievable," said Fliegel. "They were so loud and girls were calling me ugly. I just couldn't take it."

Loud chants and cheers from the frenzied audience definitely took a toll on the Bowdoin team.

"It's a tough gym to play in, and things just didn't go our way," said first-year forward Tim Lane.

Hippert also commented on the team's performance.

"We played poorly as a team first and foremost, but I was more disappointed in my individual play," said Hippert. "I can't believe I let Zak Ray drop 24 points on me, I'm so much better than him. Games

like these we just have to forget and make ourselves better for the next one."

Bowdoin's second loss of the season came after their sixth straight win over the University of Maine-Maritime on Saturday, December 3. The Polar Bears picked up their third road win, defeating the Mariners 65-53.

The first half was tightly played by both teams, ending the first period of play at an even 27. The score would even out once more in the second half at 52 apiece with nine minutes left in the contest.

Junior forwards Jac Arbour and John Goodridge contributed a free-throw and a three-pointer, respectively, to give Bowdoin a four point advantage with less than eight minutes remaining.

Bowdoin's lead was brought down to a single point with only 3:17 on the clock. Petrie hit a free-throw that was followed by a Hippert long ball that extended the lead to five. Shortly after, Petrie dropped in his own moneyball and secured the victory for the Polar Bears.

Hippert was relentless from three-point range, hitting five of six attempts and scoring a total 21 points. "I felt pretty good coming into the game and I shot the ball real well," he said. "I hope to continue shooting like this throughout the remainder of the season."

Petrie finished with 14 points, eight rebounds, and five assists. Fliegel contributed nine points and six boards to the victory. The men are back in action tomorrow evening at Colby.

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# Swimming and diving teams dominate Bates

by Katie Yankura  
STAFF WRITER

After disappointing losses to Tufts on Saturday, the men's and women's swimming and diving teams crushed Bates in what was expected to be a close meet.

The women's team toppled the Bobcats with a final score of 158-81, while the men, avenging last year's narrow loss, more than doubled Bates's score with a 150-70 victory.

Coach Burnham had been prepared for a tough challenge.

"I know the team is fired up to swim Bates as we are evenly matched," he commented before the meet. "It will take a good effort from all to end the first half of the season with a couple of wins and some more best times."

The men's 200-yard medley relay team of sophomore Ben Rachlin, junior Nate Hyde, senior Carter Thomas, and senior Jason Lewis started the men's team off on a positive note swimming to a five-second victory over the rest of the field.

The men went on to capture first in all but one of the remaining swimming events. An additional eight second-place finishes served to increase the Polar Bears' already substantial lead.

The trio of first year Dave Swanson, senior Carter Thomas, and sophomore Jim Bittl showcased the team's sprinting talent, claiming the top three places in the 50-yard freestyle.

Senior co-captain Roger Burleigh, who has not been defeated in a but-

terfly race so far this season, easily won the 100-yard fly. First year Ian Wandner and junior Mike Sighinolfi followed Burleigh taking second and third places, respectively. Burleigh also captured victories in the 200-yard freestyle and 100-yard breaststroke.

Other victories came from Sighinolfi in the 1000-yard freestyle, Josh Kimball '09 in the 100-yard individual medley, Lewis in the 100-yard freestyle, and Rachlin in the 100-yard backstroke.

Lewis, Thomas, Swanson, and Bittl wrapped up the meet with a first place in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

The women kept pace with their male teammates, ceding first place to Bates in only two events.

After suffering a narrow defeat of just .03 seconds in the 200-yard medley relay, the team quickly rebounded, with Jessica Horstkotte's victory in her first individual meet of the season, the 1,000-yard freestyle. Horstkotte took another first in the 500-yard freestyle.

Junior Megan McLean took first in the 200-yard and 100-yard freestyles. Sophomores Carrie Roble and Kerry Brodziak added to the scoreboard with victories in the 50-yard and 100-yard breaststroke, and the 100-yard individual medley,



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Senior Katie Eshelman swims in the 200-yard breaststroke in Saturday's meet against Tufts.

respectively. Senior Erin Turban gave the Polar Bears their final first in the 100-yard butterfly.

Senior Victoria Tudor also gave a stellar performance, capturing both the one and three-meter diving events and qualifying to compete in the final NCAA Division III diving competition held in March.

Burnham commended his team on its performance.

"I thought the Bates meet would be a great way to finish the semester. They have been a big rival of ours over the last few years, so it was very exciting to watch our team rise to the occasion. We swam faster than I thought we would, considering we just swam such a tough meet against Tufts, and we are in the most demanding part of the semester," he said.

The victory over the Bobcats puts the men's team at 2-2 for the season, already a major improvement over its 0-8 record from last year. The women are also at 2-2.


Thomas expressed the team's enthusiasm and positive outlook for the rest of the season.

"I was impressed with how fired up the team was to swim [Bates], especially after coming off a meet just four days prior. I think it is becoming painfully obvious that this team is becoming a force to be reckoned with in the NESCAC," he said.

Turban echoed Thomas' sentiments.

"Winning both the boys and girls meets yesterday against Bates was awesome. Especially since Bates has traditionally been a big rival of ours, it was really exciting to have such a strong meet against them. It was an excellent way to end the semester, and I am really looking forward to our next set of meets and training over January break," she said.


The teams will spend the month of January training at Bowdoin and at the La Loma Training Center in San Luis, Mexico to prepare for the second half of their season, which begins with a meet against Wesleyan on January 28.



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### Missed chances for BSG reform

**B**owdoin Student Government (BSG) voted on a number of constitutional amendments this week. Some were rightly passed, but overall BSG missed several opportunities to create meaningful and effective reforms so that it can better represent the interests of the entire student body.

We commend BSG for passing an amendment that will ensure that all elections are held in the spring, other than first-year elections. This will allow for the campus to focus on student government as a whole, rather than putting pieces of it together at different times of the year. Fall elections force BSG to start rather late every year—and now they will be able to hit the ground running.

The body missed an outstanding opportunity for reform, however, in failing to gain enough support for an amendment that would reduce the amount of social house representation on BSG from seven members to two. Since it is simply unrealistic to expect that social houses actually represent all of their non-resident affiliates, we see no reason why they should have so many representatives. Some social house representatives are voted in merely by members living in the houses, and not by all of the house affiliates. Since the houses play a central role in the campus's social life scene, they do deserve a voice on BSG, but certainly not more than a quarter of it like they do now. Even the president of the Inter-House Council voted in favor of the amendment.

Another crucial reform BSG must make is to create a separate body of students to interpret the BSG constitution. This body would be independent and politically impartial in regards to BSG work, and would be called upon to settle the disagreements about constitutional interpretations. When the elections debacle emerged early this semester regarding junior DeRay McKesson's candidacy, the BSG vice presidents decided the outcome, and reached a conclusion with which this page strongly disagreed. An independent, politically impartial body would have done a far better job. In order to prevent future wrangles, such a body should be created as soon as possible.

Lastly, the vote to simply eliminate regular students' opportunity to present proposals before the BSG was disappointing, despite its not being used in the past. This is a step backward from any efforts to increasingly include the student body in the BSG process.

Sadly, an excessively large obstacle was set in the way of BSG reform just a few years ago when it was decided that amendments would need 21 votes in order to pass the body, regardless of whether the 26 members are in full attendance—which is rare. While amendments require a two thirds vote by the student body in addition to BSG passage in order to achieve complete approval, we fail to see why such a high barrier should exist that could empower just a handful of students with the ability to block essential BSG reform.

These reforms would create a far more democratic body.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Complaints not meant to insult faculty

To the Editors:

Regarding Mr. Patrick Rael's article on political control hurting academia last week, I would like to make a point about his claim. He says that the "conservative argument for liberal bias among the faculty insults the professional integrity of faculty members" because the faculty is carefully chosen and has a long history of being impartial in their grading. While I do agree that the faculty here is top-notch, I don't believe that the complaints are meant to demean the faculty.

The conservative push for an academic bill of rights is merely a precautionary measure that should be taken by the school to ensure that conservatives will not be discriminated against if they have not already.

In a recent incident at the University of Kansas, a professor cancelled a course due to unacademic criticisms of religious fundamentals. From this event, shouldn't we take measures in making sure that this very same situation won't plague our highly-respected institution? We shouldn't sit and wait for troubles to occur before we take action.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Jeng '09

### Conservatives do not want political bias

To the Editors:

I am writing in response to Professor Rael's article in last week's Orient. Professor Rael, however, has things backward. We, as conservatives, want to take political control out of the classroom. What we have seen over the past 30 years is the insertion of a liberal political agenda in the hiring of professors and the creation of academic departments to field those professors.

I urge Professor Rael to read the academic bill of rights. Its first principle is:

"All faculty shall be hired, fired, promoted and granted tenure on the basis of their competence and appropriate knowledge in the field of their expertise... No faculty shall be hired, fired or denied promotion or tenure because of his or her political or religious beliefs."

The bill attempts to remove politics from the academy and not insert it, just as Professor Rael wishes.

Almost 100 students out of 650 said they had felt discriminated against in the classroom based on their political beliefs. This is 100 students too many. Members of the faculty who deny that a problem exists are no different than those who saw no trouble with the exclusion of ethnic minorities or women from academia in the last century.

Sincerely,

Brian May '06

### The Orient ignores AA issues, events

To the Editors:

We are disappointed that the Orient decided not to cover an important and historic event. Over a week ago, KASA, ASA, and ANOKHA organized a discussion panel on the topic of Asian-American (AA) stereotypes that affect Bowdoin students on campus and in larger contexts. We requested that the Orient attend and cover the event because it was Bowdoin's first to assert the voices of AA students into a discussion concerning race and ethnicity. Additionally, there is a growing and diversifying AA presence on campus, and prominent stereotypes such as the "Model Minority" and the "Forever Foreigner" affect many of us. The event held in Daggett Lounge was filled with students, two Bowdoin professors, and a Bowdoin administrator.

A salient message from a student panelist was regarding the near invisibility of AAs in any racial discourse on campus and the woefully lacking mainstream media attention of issues affecting AA communities. How ironic is it then that the section editors of the Orient, the largest news source to the Bowdoin community, decided not to cover our event because it did not have a guest speaker and was opinion-oriented? These are unsatisfactory excuses by the section editors who in the past three years have chosen not to cover a single student-organized event, including those with guest speakers, that has aimed to increase awareness of AA issues on campus. We don't expect all our events to be covered by the Orient, but when none are, over a period of years, we can't help but feel ignored, silenced, and invisible. We hope that, in the future, the editorial staff of the Orient would more carefully consider our events.

Sincerely,  
Mike Chan '05  
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Keerthi Sugumaran '06

### Washburn used unfair categorization

To the Editors:

I am writing in response to Taylor Washburn's letter last week.

First, Mr. Washburn lumps me in with the "campus conservatives" supporting the proposed bill. For the record, I am not a member of the College Republicans, nor did I voice support for the legislation. Furthermore, my political affiliation was never identified by the Orient, and we all know what assuming does.

Mr. Washburn should also remember that not every Bowdoin experience is alike; while he was never penalized for differing ideologically from his professors, not every student encounters the same magnanimity.

I take no issue with Bowdoin. My point is solely that it is the job of the faculty to instruct, not to indoctrinate, and any professor who assesses work through a biased lens is doing the College and everyone involved a disservice. Saying "Pull yourself up by the bootstraps" is silly, as it does nothing to solve the issue at hand, one which goes beyond politics; if an anti-gay professor failed a gay student for writing a stellar homosexual love story, the campus would be up in arms, and rightfully so. Why is one permissible and the other heresy?

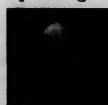
Bias will never be eradicated, as we're human, but every effort should be made to reduce its effects in the classroom.

Sincerely,

Ferd Convery '06

## Investing in the Common Good

### Speaking Truth to Power



by Ben Kreider  
COLUMNIST

Bowdoin constantly likes to talk about the "Common Good." That is a concept I agree with wholeheartedly, but the question remains: Do we actually practice what we preach as an institution? I could cite numerous areas in which we do not, but for now, I will focus on our investment practices. Simply put, far more needs to be done to determine that the over \$500 million in Bowdoin's endowment is invested in a socially responsible, ethical manner.

Unlike a corporation, a non-profit, educational institution such as Bowdoin should not invest solely to maximize its return. Currently, much of our endowment is placed in the hands of Wall Street firms who manage money for large institutions such as colleges. Most of their work is shrouded in secrecy, meaning that it is virtually impossible for the College to determine at any given time in which companies the money is invested. This lack of transparency is troublesome. As a supposedly progressive institution, we need to examine the vast implications such a large amount of capital can have.

Are we investing in companies that pollute the environment? Are we supporting corporations that use sweatshop or child labor? These are only a

few of the questions that need to be addressed. This is not about splitting hairs over the action of every single company we invest in; it is about ensuring that we stay away from the worst of the bunch, the companies that commit acts so egregious that virtually no one would support them.

Right now, Bowdoin is not addressing these issues in a satisfactory manner. A colleague of mine from the Class of 2005 (who asked to remain unnamed) and I met with President Mills several times about this issue last semester, and Sam Minor '08 and I have met with him on several more occasions this semester. Through these discussions and some of my own research, I have reached

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## Invest College money morally

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the conclusion that the College has no coherent policy of ensuring that its investments are socially responsible. Bowdoin largely winks at its investment advisers and assumes that because they are reputable people, they are not investing in unscrupulous companies. There is virtually no accountability or transparency.

In the 1970s, there was a committee at Bowdoin devoted to investing in an ethically responsible manner. It was created due to an apartheid divestment campaign led by Africana Studies Professor Randy Stakeman. Like many colleges, Bowdoin did ultimately divest from all investments tied to the apartheid regime of South Africa. Unfortunately, the committee was disbanded for reasons I have not been able to determine.

Creating such a committee again would be one way to ensure accountability. Another would be to invest through Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) funds. There are a variety of studies on these which show that their returns do not differ significantly, if at all, from those of normal funds. So what is Bowdoin afraid of?

There are other routes to socially responsible investing as well. For instance, Bowdoin could give contributors an opportunity to give money to support scholarships for low-income students or similar socially progressive programs. In other words, the money would not go straight into the endowment, it would go to a particular program to

help those in need. It is also possible that money could go to local community organizations and to Bowdoin's own community service efforts.

When alumni give money to the College, they should be confident that their money will be used for good. Right now, there is no way of knowing this. The College has a noble purpose, but why give when you do not know in what manner your money will be invested? I have not even graduated, and the College is already asking me to give money. Other seniors, recent alumni, and others I have talked to share my concerns.

Investing socially responsibly could actually give non-givers an incentive to give. Right now, a fairly large percentage of alumni do not give any money to the College. A quick glance at the Alumni Relations web site shows that many classes are giving to the Alumni Fund at low percentages. There are various reasons for this, but part of the reason is that they can get better bang for their buck elsewhere. For instance, many people are more comfortable giving to charities and various non-profits. Perhaps if Bowdoin addressed their concerns, they would feel more comfortable giving.

I call on President Mills, the administration, and the Trustees to look into re-establishing a committee on ethical responsibility. Furthermore, I call for them to bring up this issue at the next trustee meeting in February and discuss how there can be more accountability on this issue.

## Bias unavoidable in academia

### Hands Off Liberty

by Evan McLaren  
COLUMNIST

Last week's Orient contained the best treatments to date of the discussion on political diversity among Bowdoin faculty. Students with conservative (or libertarian) views would do well to heed Professor Rael and Mr. Washburn and rededicate themselves to studying and thinking—thinking about the problems individuals in society face and about how best to approach them in the context of a Bowdoin education.

As a libertarian consistently suspicious of the Left, and as a student deeply interested in the roots of Western civilization, I can see the ground for conservative complaints about liberal bias at Bowdoin. But there are no shortcuts to changing attitudes and convincing others to reassess their ideas. My faith lies not in the student government referendum, but in striving toward knowledge and independent thought. In spite of political differences, most professors are still eager for substantive ideas and intelligent discussion, and students can maintain opposite viewpoints while benefiting from their insight.

I'm delighted that Professor Rael has invited serious discus-

sion of politics and academics. I'll begin by challenging a claim that often has been implicit in this debate: that ideology and instruction belong to two hermetically sealed spheres and that in order to teach correctly one must banish politics from the classroom.

This is an impossible task, especially in Professor Rael's discipline. For history is not a simple exercise of fact-gathering or amassing an ever-increasing amount of historical information. Fact-gathering is necessary, but the real business of history is judging the relative importance of various facts for understanding particular events. In building an account of something that happened, some pieces of information will be irrelevant, some will be crucially important, and some will fall in between the two extremes. It is the historian's job to decide which facts to emphasize and which ones to minimize or discard altogether. For example, George W. Bush may have brushed his teeth and eaten a bagel on the morning of November 2, 2004, but a historian might not find these facts relevant to understanding why he became president.

A historian cannot perform the critical task of interpreting information without applying his understanding of complex human phenomena, often aided by theoretical tools imported from other natural and social sciences.

Theories of political economy, in particular, will help the historian identify the basic thrust of human history in order to decide which people, ideas, events, and institutions require discussion and which ones ought to be deemphasized. A historian who believes in the labor theory of value—the idea that only physical labor contributes to the value of a good—likely would view businessmen as a non-productive and socially destructive class of people, and be account of the history of organized labor by this historian would emphasize that idea.

Theory is also used to give meaning to particular human events. For example, how one regards the shift from monarchical rule to democratic republicanism that began with the French Revolution and ended with the Treaty of Versailles would depend

on one's views of the two structures of government. A historian with a suspicious view of democratic republicanism might mourn the defeat of the Habsburgs, Romanovs, and Hohenzollerns, while someone convinced of the relative demerits of monarchy would regard the arrival of democratic republicanism as a positive event for humankind.

Likewise, our political views chiefly depend on the lessons we draw from history. Left-liberals dominate the social sciences because individually they have arrived at similar views of what history means, not because they belong to a conspiracy against conservatives. But even this assertion is tricky; left-liberal faculty at Bowdoin are likely so super-aware of ideological disagreements among themselves that they would resist my "left-liberal" categorization. My claim might sound to them like the hedge clipper brain surgery Professor Rael warned against.

But even granting that ideologies are messy and resist neat grouping, it still is impossible for anyone to approach history without theories of human behavior that often are wrapped up in their own ideological outlook. This is not a radical idea. Professor Levine, for example, admitted as much in the last lecture of my freshman year course "United States Since 1945." He talked about his own views, suggested ways in which his politics might inform his study of history and vice versa, and discussed means for protecting the scholarly mission from ideological wrangling. His ideas were useful for anyone—liberal, conservative, moderate, libertarian—interested in refining his own historical interpretations.

Material cannot be taught without what is derisively termed "bias," and we should not be alarmed to discover bias among Bowdoin faculty. By the same token, there is much more than simple desire for ideological influence at work in the conservative "liberal bias" argument. The proposed BSG reform would have been anti-democratic, but conservatives cannot be condemned simply for wishing to see ideas in academia change.

## Going home to the Big Easy

### You Got Conserved

by Will Hales  
COLUMNIST

There is a writer in New Orleans whom I respect a lot. Chris Rose is a columnist for the Times-Picayune, and he has what has always been a pretty sweet job: He writes about New Orleans. He's not the food guy, or the movie guy, or the living section guy; he's the guy who gets to put it all together and talk about the feeling, the emotion, the experience that is living in New Orleans. His job has sucked for the past several months, but he has been one of the few New Orleansians, it seems, who can still put it all together and remind us where we're from.

Chris has written a lot since the storm and has provided many New Orleansian college students with many Facebook quotes as a means of explaining what they're feeling, but one stands out. One of the many nice things about living in New Orleans was the moment when you told someone you're from New Orleans—the reaction was fun, happy, excited. Now it's awkward, sad, pitiful. Chris explained this better, and since he's a real columnist and I'm not, it's okay, but his conclusion works: It kills me every time someone says, "I'm sorry" after I tell them I'm from New Orleans. I hate the emotions behind every kind gesture I get from deans and friends alike that remind me that my city isn't what it was.

I went home for Thanksgiving, for the first time since the storm, looking for a lot of things. Closure. Normalcy. A fried shrimp po-boy from Domilise's. I went back looking for every brush with Katrina's havoc that

I could find, not closing my eyes for a week and a half hoping that seeing all this hurt and change would make it okay that I watched the whole thing unfold on CNN, that I wasn't there, that I didn't hurt like my city did. I went home nervous as hell.

The New Orleans I experienced was a city of stark contrasts and inconsistencies; entirely normal in one neighborhood and entirely gone in another. Parts of New Orleans are the way they were before Katrina, if only in function and not in spirit, whereas the media coverage of the devastation in the Ninth Ward and Lakefront areas pales in comparison to being there. Prior to Thanksgiving, I had never seen a river barge sitting on top of a school bus, or the intact roof of a house sitting peacefully on a lot with no house underneath it.

Going home was not what I thought or had hoped it would be. I didn't feel better after seeing the devastation, and I don't feel closure. During my time home, it felt so odd to be with friends and family, and have it feel the way you think it should until you notice the little changes. The way the first question in any reunion conversation isn't, "How's school?", but instead, "How'd y'all do?" The way Fat Harry's has last call at 1:30 a.m. so everyone is gone by the 2:00 a.m. curfew. The way you walk outside and talk to the military police in their Humvee.

Things have changed in New Orleans, to be sure. But I am comforted by everything that hasn't changed. New Orleans is still the cosmopolitan city it has been for over 300 years (the first truly cosmopolitan city in the United States by many years), and its citizens still revel in the rich and sometimes eccentric culture that history provides. I'm comforted that the Mardi Gras parades will roll, and that

Jazz Fest will run from the last weekend in April to the first weekend in May. I'm happy to explain this to those who sadly exclaim, "I would have liked to visit New Orleans."

I know New Orleans will be back because the spirit remains. It's in the Mississippi River. It's in the muck that still coats a lot of the houses in the low spots. It's in the Christmas lights hung across FEMA trailers sitting in front of shacks and mansions alike. There are a bunch of Bowdoin students for whom this Christmas is gonna be a hell of a lot different than the last. But from one of you who has spent one holiday home in a disaster area, it was great to be home, nonetheless. Merry Christmas, y'all.

by Charlotte Carnevale  
CONTRIBUTOR

I imagine that, by now, most of us have heard those sweet seasonal words ringing from the lips of our families and friends: "So what do you want for Christmas/Hanukkah/Kwanzaa/Solstice/Decemberween?" We have surely given our replies already, but today I want to ask you to step back with me and really think: What do you want this December?

I started thinking about this when two catalogues arrived in my Smith Union box. One was from the boho-chic clothing powerhouse Anthropologie, and the other was from a religious charity I support. Anthropologie was the far more exciting publication of the two, so I greedily devoured its pages in search of pretty clothing. I circled an \$88 skirt and a \$58 blouse

admiringly, knowing those prices were a little steep but figuring my mom could probably pick up the tab—it's Christmas, after all!

Once I finished picking through the clothes catalogue, I started leafing through the charity's catalogue. I could not put it down. By the end of the catalogue, I was literally weeping. This was totally embarrassing because I was at the Café at a very busy hour. Even more embarrassing, however, was that I had even thought to want that skirt and blouse I had so deeply coveted only 15 minutes before. I had never considered its true cost.

By now we all know about the documentary *Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price*, which investigates Wal-Mart's less than stellar record on worker's rights both here and abroad. Many of us, myself included, have gone so far as to refuse to shop at Wal-Mart entirely.

But have we applied similar scrutiny to the other places we shop?

I went home and did some research on Anthropologie. It turns out it is a subdivision of Urban Outfitters, whose CEO openly admits to using sweatshop labor. He claims to have no shame about it because every other retailer does too. He's right. The Freeport shopping directory might as well be the U.N.'s human rights violations list. Gap, Abercrombie, Polo, J. Crew, Anne Klein, and Reebok, among others, have unresolved sweatshop disputes outstanding today.

What does this mean for you and me? It means that our shirts, sweaters, and shoes were probably made by a woman or child in essential slavery. It means we are wearing someone else's utter misery daily.

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## Consider the origin of purchases

CARNEVALE, from page 14

"But Charlotte, the CEO of Urban Outfitters really is right. Everybody uses sweatshop labor! So what can we do?"

You've got a point there. Solving the sweatshop problem would ultimately require the undermining of many deep-rooted values of our consumeristic culture. But we can still make the decision not to perpetuate the injustice. Simply put your money where your mouth is.

Radical though it may sound, a dollar spent at any of these stores is a vote for slavery (please, don't vote for slavery). A good rule of thumb: just take a moment to think about the companies you are supporting. Even better, just evaluate what you really need. I'm not saying, "Don't buy anything ever again." All I'm asking is, do you really need another pair of shearing boots this Christmas? Do you need those awesome Pumas or yet another pair of embroidered khakis?

Join me this Christmas in doing a simple exercise: See something you think you can't live without, then ask yourself, "Is it worth another person's dignity?" It sounds completely ridiculous, but it is sharply and achingly true. If we at Bowdoin are the budding leaders of tomorrow, we certainly ought to have the moral fiber to say

no to consumeristic excess where it harms others.

"But what am I going to get people for their respective December holidays?" I'm glad you asked. You too, my friends, will weep like I did when you learn how astonishingly easy it is to do real good for the price of an Anthropologie sweater.

I have since done some research and have learned that \$88 can send a child in an impoverished country to school for a year, can help clear land mines, and can even multiply itself to over \$640 of food aid (worldvision.org). It can provide milk, egg, and meat-giving animals to poor families around the world (heifer.org). It can give back to the impoverished communities our blind consumerism keeps poor. This year, give to those who truly need it in honor of those who truly don't.

If you think your mom is expecting a little more than a flock of geese in her honor this holiday season, consider buying fair-trade. A simple Google search will lead you to a wealth of gift options that are humanely made and fairly priced. Worldofgood.com, American Apparel, and Unicef USA and our very own Bowdoin Bookstore are great places to start.

So get out there and buy the truly perfect gift—the gift of compassion, solidarity, defiance, and freedom.

*This year give to those who truly need in honor of those who truly don't.*

## Escaping the 'morning after'

### Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

With a stretch and a yawn, your eyes flutter open. You pull your arm out from underneath your pillow to check the time, and you are momentarily startled when your "pillow" moans and rolls over. Suddenly, memories start flooding back into your hangover-addled brain: the keg stands and black-out punch, the sketchy dance room in the Crack House basement...and now this stranger lying next to you, whose drunken snoring kept you from fully sleeping off that last Jaeger bomb. What do you do? Where are your pants? What is this person's name? These are all good questions that I'm going to help you answer.

First and foremost, you need to get a name. While not absolutely crucial to your escape plan, giving somebody a high five and a "see you in Economics 101...you" will most likely make for an uncomfortable Tuesday morning. Instead of alienating someone you're not even Facebook friends with, use the ID Picture Trick. Tell this stranger that your friends are currently having an ugly ID picture contest, and you want to see how he measures up. Then sit back and watch with glee as Johnny No-Name jumps out of bed, grabs his ID and proudly shows you just how adorable he was as a sophomore in high school. You are now armed with

a first, middle, and last name, as well as class year and date of birth (which you're hoping is a typo because there is no way are your friends going to let you live this down if he was actually born in the 90s).

So you've got a name, but how do you get out without disturbing this Sleeping Less-of-a-Beauty-Than-She-Was-Last-Night? If at all possible, do your best to pass out on the outside of the bed when you two call it a night. Or, if planning that far ahead is impossible even when you're sober, wait until she goes to the bathroom. Once she is gone, gather as many of your belongings as possible. Time is of the essence, so if you can't find your tank top, or your pants seem to have gone missing, well...they don't call it a walk of shame for nothing. If you have no soul and decide to leave before she returns, just make sure you grab your underwear. You simply cannot send her an email respectfully requesting that she drop your favorite pair of man briefs in the campus mail when she has subjected herself to the Listerine burn for nothing.

If you do decide to say goodbye, announce upon her return that you have a lot of work to get started on. Doesn't matter what time of day it is; work will forever be an acceptable excuse for just about anything here at Bowdoin.

But she wants to take you to brunch? Well that's sweet, but you really need to get ready for church, or you have to get dressed for class. Yes, you have a class at 9 a.m. on a Sunday! It really sucks, but it's super easy, and you're totally getting an A. Or perhaps while she is washing off

the face glitter that is now winking up at you from your chest hair, your roommate calls and really needs to talk. The excuses are limitless, and let me just say that if you go to Bowdoin and can't come up with a somewhat viable reason why you two can't split a Belgian waffle, I hear Colby is currently accepting applications.

If you happen have been drunk enough to suggest heading back to your place last night, and Little Miss I've-Met-My-Soul-Mate isn't picking up on your hints that you're presently thinking less about walking down the aisle than impaling yourself on the corner of your desk, I've always had very good luck pretending my roommate is outside and really mad that she's locked out. Simply tell your socially inept bedfellow that you're going to the bathroom, and then find someone out in the hall to give a couple angry knocks on the door in about five minutes. Wait for the knocks, then watch as his pants fly on and his eyes well up with apologies faster than you can say, "By the way, we took a vote. You totally won the ID picture contest."

And just so we're clear, there's no need for names or fake roommates if you simply choose a more temporary location than your bed. The basement of Brunswick Apartments, an abandoned conference room in Moulton, or the bike room in Chamberlain can provide privacy, if not comfort, and no possibility whatsoever of an awkward morning after. And don't worry if your boyfriend happens to walk in on you. Just tell him you were doing some research for one of Kidder Smith's classes. He'll totally understand.

## STUDENT SPEAK

### How will you deal with the stress of exams?



Ted Lyons '06

"Going extreme."



Nadee Siriwardana '09

"Quad dance parties."



Jannelle Richardson '06

"Burn that midnight oil."



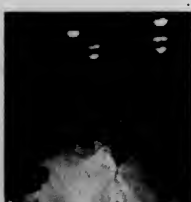
Clara Cantor '08

"Sculpture parties."



Dan Jaffe '07

"I play with pellet guns in the sporting section of Wal-Mart."



Kelly Frey '06

"Streaking through the library."



Carl Klimt '06

"Dance with John Bisbee."



Nick Day '09

"Frolicking."



# The Weekly Calendar

## December 9-15

### Friday

#### Discount Days

The Democratic Socialists encourage you to support local businesses by shopping downtown instead of at Walmart and Cook's Corner. Show your Bowdoin ID at participating stores for 5-15% off your purchase.  
Downtown Brunswick, December 9-11.

#### Huis Clos

Students in the French Theatre Production class present a one-act play by Jean-Paul Sartre that addresses the significance of consequences and hell.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
2:30 and 7:30 p.m.

#### Art Show

Drawings and paintings by Bowdoin art students will be on display. A collection of photo prints will be available for purchase.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
4-6 p.m.

#### Film: I ♥ Huckabees

When Albert Markovski sees the same stranger three times in one day, he becomes convinced that this coincidence may lead to the answer to the big questions of life. He hires an eccentric pair of existential detectives to spy on the man, and they challenge Albert to question existence itself.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.



A wreath decorates the side of Smith Union.

Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

### Saturday

#### Film: I ♥ Huckabees

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.

#### Watercolor Exhibit

Rose Marie Mayer, a painter, coppersmith, and florist, presents a collection of her watercolor paintings.  
Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union,  
9 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Sunday

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

#### Christmas Festival

Bowdoin Chamber Choir will present "A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols," a service of Biblical readings, carols, motets, and Christmas hymns.  
Bowdoin Chapel, 6:30 p.m.

#### Investigations in Maine Landscape

A pictorial analysis of the Coastal Studies Center will be on display. Research will be shown through photographs, drawings, collages, charts, and graphs.  
Dogs Head Cove, Bowdoin Coastal Studies Center, 7 a.m.-10 p.m.

### Monday

#### A Capella Concert

Each of Bowdoin's a capella groups will perform in an end-of-semester concert.  
Bowdoin Chapel, 7:30-10 p.m.

#### Pastopia Extravaganza

English 016 students present their written works of pastoral and utopia.  
Nixon Lounge, H-L Library, 7 p.m.

#### The Improvabilities

A comedy troupe presents improvised skits and games.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Communion

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to an Episcopal communion service led by Edie and Gil Birney.  
South Private Dining Room,  
Moulton Union, 12-1 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Ancient Art Exhibit

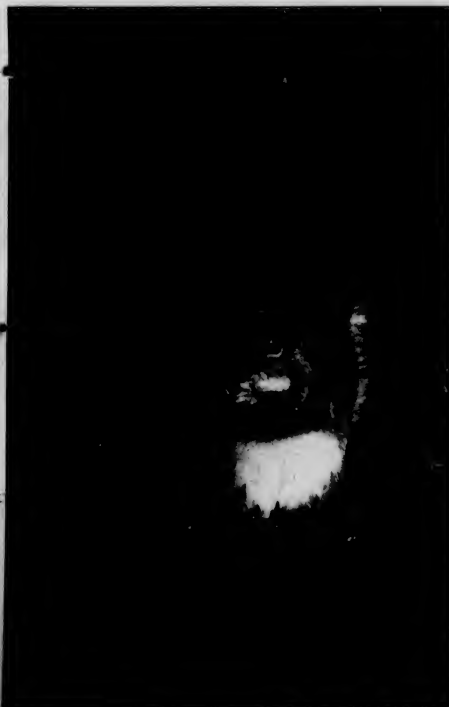
A display of Maine's premier collection of ancient Mediterranean art from Egypt, Mesopotamia, Greece, Rome, and Cyprus.  
Miscellaneous Room, Hubbard Hall,  
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

#### Fun With Food

Take a break from studying and decorate cookies!  
Thorne Dining Hall, 5-7:30 p.m.

### Thursday

**Good Luck With Finals,  
and Happy Holidays!**



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

A chubby squirrel huddles beneath a tree.

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## Soul to Seoul: Meddies get in tune with Korea



Courtesy of Jeffrey Friedlander

The Meddiebempsters, one of Bowdoin's all-male cappella groups, toured in Seoul, South Korea, over winter break. Above, the Meddies bow after performing at the Buddhist Seoknam Monastery. See story, page 9.

## Bowdoin junior dies while abroad

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

A Bowdoin student died of unknown causes while studying in Ireland, the College announced Thursday. Taryn King '07 was studying abroad through a Butler University program at the National University of Ireland in Galway.

Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley said that a Butler official told him that King mentioned to a roommate before bed that she was feeling ill. She reportedly woke up at approximately 11 a.m. local time Thursday and asked a roommate to call for emergency assistance. She died on the way to the hospital.

Bradley said that according to the program official, an emergency room doctor was unable to initially identify the cause of death. Additional details were not available.

Bradley said that counselors and deans are available to provide support at any time by calling Security.

In an all-campus email sent Thursday evening, President Barry Mills said King was "a very well-known and greatly admired member of our community."

While at Bowdoin, King majored in psychology and minored in education. In November, she received First-Team All-American honors from the National Field Hockey Coaches Association for her role on the record-setting Bowdoin Field Hockey Team. In his statement, Mills called King "one of the most talented field hockey players in Bowdoin history." She was also a member of the lacrosse team.

King had been participating in the Butler University Institute for Study Abroad program since early January.

King grew up in Georgetown, Massachusetts. She was the oldest of five children.

Bradley said that the College is in the process of planning a memorial service. A retrospective of King's life will appear in next week's Orient.

## Students work to aid devastated Gulf Coast

*Bowdoin accepts visiting professor, aids students in Gulf Coast projects*

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

When Sarah Landrum '09 returned to her hometown of New Orleans over winter break for the first time since Hurricane Katrina, she was shocked to see parts of her city still in complete devastation.

"Houses were toppled over in the street, and there were roofs with nothing under them at all. There

were piles of debris everywhere and no signs of cleaning up or rebuilding," Landrum said of the areas around where the levees broke.

"People kept telling me that I was looking at the city much improved from before, but that was hard to believe," she said.

Senior Harry Jones also saw the city with his own eyes over break for the first time since Katrina hit. The first floor of Jones's home in New Orleans had been flooded to the ceiling in the weeks following the hurri-

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## College creates outlet for faculty camaraderie

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Students are not the only members of the Bowdoin community who get together for a beer on the weekends. Every Friday afternoon, faculty members are invited to gather in the Shannon Room of Hubbard Hall to have refreshments and socialize.

Last semester, in response to faculty requests, President Barry Mills took the initiative to create an outlet for faculty members to socialize.

Unlike many colleges, Bowdoin does not have faculty clubs or dining halls. Although long ago the College held a happy hour at a local bar, this tradition was discontinued and until last semester, many faculty members felt the opportunities for interaction with one another were insufficient.

Assistant Professor of Psychology Sam Putnam thinks that one of the best things about Bowdoin is the advantages that come with its small

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## Bowdoin names Cristle Judd new dean of academic affairs

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Cristle Collins Judd will join the Bowdoin faculty as dean of academic affairs on July 1, replacing Craig McEwen, who has held the position for the past seven years. Judd will be visiting the campus a number of times this spring to work with McEwen before taking up the deanship.

Judd will be coming to Bowdoin from the University of Pennsylvania, where she has served as a professor of music since 1993.

"I will certainly draw on my experiences at Penn as I come to Bowdoin," Judd said in an interview with the Orient.

"Although the two places are very different institutions, I have learned much at Penn about supporting undergraduate research, about issues facing the liberal arts, about a variety of teaching and learning environments, about connecting with alumni, about recruit-

ing and supporting faculty, and so forth," she said.

Judd earned her undergraduate degree in music performance at Rice University, where she studied the oboe. She also earned a master's degree in musicology at Rice. She went on to earn a second master's degree and her doctorate in music theory at King's College, University of London.

"In many ways, coming to Bowdoin is coming back to my undergrad roots at a small college," Judd said, referring to her undergraduate career at Rice.

According to Judd, Bowdoin's reputation was an important factor in her decision to seek a position at the College. She was also impressed by a short visit to Bowdoin, when she met a handful of Bowdoin faculty and students. Judd said she was especially impressed by President Barry Mills.

"[Mills] has an irrepressible energy and love for Bowdoin that is contagious," she said.



Courtesy of Candace di Carlo

Cristle Collins Judd will begin as dean of academic affairs on July 1.

Prior to working at the University of Pennsylvania, she also served at Princeton University, California State University-Fresno, the

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## Brunswick to go wireless in pilot

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

In a partnership with a local internet service provider, the College is planning an extensive wireless network that will provide access to both students and town residents throughout the Brunswick downtown area, Fort Andross, and even parts of Topsham. The network is a pilot project scheduled to last six months.

With a local company, Great Works Internet (GWI), providing the bandwidth, the College will only need to coordinate the construction of the network, which will use mesh

technology, a new type of wireless internet access.

The idea for the pilot came out of a desire to provide wireless access for Bowdoin students and faculty working at Fort Andross, according to Chief Information Officer Mitch Davis.

"For me, it was functionality. Students working at Fort Andross should have the same level of connection that they have here, and if I could provide that I would," Davis said.

"It grew into something bigger, but it's actually fairly small considering we have 195 [access points] at

Bowdoin. Adding five or six more of these is not going to kill us. It's actually not even that big of a project," Davis said.

According to John Keimel, a network engineer at Bowdoin, mesh technology "uses multiple access points to create redundant links," resulting in a more stable and resilient network. Using small antennas that can focus very precisely, Bowdoin's network will transmit a signal from Coles Tower to Fort Andross that will then be directed toward the downtown area. Another

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land face-first on a  
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# Months later, individuals feel call of duty in Gulf Coast

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cane, and his parents returned after the storm to find their refrigerator moved, their grand piano flipped over, and a boat, Mercedes, and couch in their backyard.

Living in the Upper 9th Ward, Jones saw neighbors rebuilding their lives in New Orleans in ways that less affluent families simply can not.

"[The Upper 9th and Lower 9th] were both hit just as hard, but people who live in the Lower 9th have no chance of rebuilding while people who live in my neighborhood are coming back. It's not like Hurricane Katrina didn't happen for them, but their lives are moving on," he said.

"It was disconcerting because you know it wasn't like that for everyone," Jones said.

According to Landrum, the National Guard and the Red Cross are still present, providing meals and supplies to workers in a few locations around the city. However, Landrum feels significantly more still can be done to get the Gulf Coast back on its feet.

"It seems that [the need for relief] has been forgotten lately, and being down there over Christmas break made me realize how much more work there is still to be done," she said.

Although the Bowdoin community pulled together and responded on mass during the "Twelve Days of Attention," part of the Community Service Resource Center's (CSRC) organized response to the disaster, the long-term devastation in the Gulf Coast region is quickly slipping from the minds of many students who have begun to think of Katrina as a thing of the past.

"Maybe people have grown tired of talking about it or just don't realize how bad the situation still is in many areas," Landrum said.

## IT students set up Mississippi computer lab

The constant cry for help from the Gulf Coast has not gone completely unheard, as is evident in the continued response by a few Bowdoin individuals since the national buzz about the crisis in New Orleans and surrounding areas has begun to subside.

Three students, with the help of a contact and some supplementary funding from Associate Professor of Biology Barry Logan and the CSRC, spent the last week of winter

break in Long Beach, Mississippi, setting up a computer lab in a temporary school with 12 computers that Bowdoin had recently replaced with newer systems. Although as many as 40 surplus computers were available for the school, the number had to be reduced on account of transportation.

Logan's contact at the school was his second cousin Louie Lohan, a Catholic priest who saw his parish and affiliated school completely destroyed in the storm surge that followed Katrina. According to Logan, his cousin's parish quickly purchased one of the only local buildings that was still salvageable, a local hockey rink, and spent the next 19 days preparing it to act as a school and a place of worship.

Sophomores Lindsay Urquhart, Becca Lewis, and Abhijeet Jha, three "technically-proficient" students according to Logan, drove the computers down to Mississippi in a 12-passenger van and set up the computer lab in St. Thomas School.

"It was very evident in their warm welcome that they were very appreciative of Bowdoin's efforts and help," Jha said.

"We delivered our computers and helped Ann, [the St. Thomas computer teacher], set up a computer lab, just in time for the school to start the next day. While working on computers during the day, Ann, with tears almost welling up in her eyes, showed us pictures of the beautiful church and the school they had on the beach before the hurricane," Jha continued.

"The next day we drove along the beach: everything lay in rubble. For miles and miles along the beach, everything was devastated. It was like walking into a war zone," he said.

Before the computers were transported, Bowdoin Information Technology (IT) installed and licensed them for Windows 2000, according to IT Director of Computing and Research Tad Macy.

"This took many phone calls to Microsoft followed by a good deal scrounging in IT and the Library to find the old CDs," Macy said.

"A good deal of time was spent trying to get donations or other help from Microsoft. With the properly-licensed version of Windows 2000, Microsoft could provide very inexpensive upgrades once the systems were in Mississippi," he said. According to Macy, IT is currently negotiating with Microsoft to get donations of XP and Office for the computers.



Courtesy of Mary Kate Wheeler

During her two week stay in New Orleans, student volunteer Mary Kate Wheeler '07 saw areas of the city still in ruins.

According to Logan, St. Thomas School, while in its previous location, had bought 27 new computers to furnish a state-of-the-art computer lab only months before the storm hit. After Katrina, the school received a number of computer donations from surrounding areas. However, many of the computers were obsolete, used incompatible operating systems, or were password-protected.

"They'd received a lot of help, but it didn't turn out to be all that helpful without the expertise [to get a lab set up]," he said.

## Refugee professor calls New Orleans a "dead city"

In addition to contributing \$30,000 to three historically-black colleges and universities in the Gulf Coast, the College also opened a number of visiting professorships to faculty displaced from colleges in areas affected by Katrina, one of which went to Visiting Professor of Psychology Ronald Murphy.

Murphy, who had been on the faculty of historically-black Dillard University for six years, had just bought a house in New Orleans when the hurricane hit. Murphy left New Orleans 24 hours before the storm arrived and drove to Memphis, where he spent four days waiting for the water to recede before continuing up to Boston where his family lives.

His one-story house flooded to the roof, destroying all of his belongings, save for a few basic items he threw into a bag before evacuating the city.

"All of my papers and things I've collected over the years are destroyed," Murphy said. "Stuff I've collected over the years—nothing that's valuable but things that were personal to me."

"I had my whole life there: my house, my job, my friends, my students—I miss my students—just my daily routine. It's all gone," he said.

Dillard University has reopened for the spring semester in a temporary location in the Hilton Riverside Hotel in New Orleans. According to Murphy, who would have been up

for tenure this year at Dillard, both faculty and student housing and classroom space are located in the hotel.

Murphy, who will only be at Bowdoin this spring before starting a permanent job at Francis Marion University in Florence, South Carolina, is teaching two classes this semester: Substance Use and Abuse, and Trauma and Stress.

Since Murphy specializes in studies of post-traumatic stress syndrome, he has found his own response to the hurricane interesting.

"I haven't had many post traumatic symptoms, but I have had two nightmares with flooding, and I left 24 hours early," he said. "I didn't even see flooding."

Murphy is grateful to Bowdoin

*"I haven't had many post traumatic symptoms, but I have had two nightmares with flooding, and I left 24 hours early. I didn't even see flooding."*

Ronald Murphy  
Visiting Professor of Psychology

for the offering him a job as a visiting professor, especially because the bureaucracy in New Orleans made it nearly impossible to file for unemployment.

"Bowdoin has taken care of me," he said. "They're letting me teach classes in my area. The psychology faculty has been unbelievably generous."

According to Murphy, Bowdoin students are very intelligent and welcoming, though different than those he left behind.

"It's a different population—an elite population. I've taught at schools before with very underprivileged students," Murphy said.

"The hardest part is that I just want to go home, and I can't go home," he said.

## Bowdoin hopefuls look ahead

Mary Kate Wheeler '07, who spent two weeks over winter break serving 1,500 meals a day as a volunteer in a New Orleans kitchen called Made With Love Café, urges the Bowdoin community to remain

involved in Katrina relief efforts.

"There is such a huge need for volunteers right now, and the residents show a humble and profound gratitude for the presence of volunteers and the work they are doing," Wheeler said.

"Many residents feel as if they were repeatedly betrayed by the government, and they see the presence of volunteers as a sign that their nation has not forgotten their suffering," she said.

Wheeler plans to return to New Orleans over spring break to continue to help the city she saw so devastated just this month.

"There are piles of garbage taller than houses all throughout the 9th Ward, and many of the homes are destroyed beyond repair. It's not uncommon to see refrigerators on top of houses, or houses on top of cars," she said.

"Residents are starting to return to their homes and clean them out, but living and working conditions are terrible. The mold in many areas is toxic, and workers have to wear respirators and protective suits. Many people don't have access to food, electricity, or safe shelter," she added.

Director of the Community Service Resource Center Susie Dorn has plans to facilitate future responses from Bowdoin students in the Gulf Coast area.

According to Dorn, the campus already raised \$5,191 during the 12 Days of Attention to be sent to the Red Cross Relief Fund, as well as collected 24 boxes of clothing through the African-American Society to help with relief efforts. Plans for the upcoming months include an Alternative Spring Break Habitat for Humanity trip to Mississippi and a labor trip for students and staff to the Gulf Coast over senior week.

"From 9/11 and then the tsunami we have learned that there is a need for having plans in place for coordinating responses to such disasters," Dorn said.

"People want—and in many ways feel compelled—to act. Because Bowdoin is an academic institution, however, our response is strongest if it is connected to learning. Service is a catalyst for wanting to know more," she said.



Courtesy of Barry Logan

Lindsay Urquhart '08 joined two other students in setting up a computer lab in a Mississippi school with unused computers from the Bowdoin IT department.

# Bowdoin a top Fulbright producer

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

With five of 16 applicants awarded Fulbright Fellowships last year, Bowdoin has been named a "Top Producer of Fulbright Awards for American Students," according to the Institute of International Education.

The Fulbright Fellowship Program is funded by the U.S. government and allows graduating seniors to conduct research, engage in graduate study, or teach abroad. This year, 21 Bowdoin seniors have applied for Fulbright fellowships.

"This is the highest number on the records we've got," Director of the Career Planning Center and Director of Fellowships and Scholarships Anne Shields said. Four seniors have also been nominated for the Watson fellowship.

Shields noted that in addition to seeing an increase in the number of applicants, students are interested in traveling to a wider range of countries, including Germany, Korea, Taiwan, Spain, France, Brazil, and Slovakia.

Drew Friedmann '06 has been nominated for the Watson fellowship. The Watson fellowship is a one-year program funded by the U.S. government that allows students to do an independent study abroad.

If awarded the fellowship, Friedmann hopes to travel to the Netherlands, Bangladesh, the Pacific Islands, and Greenland.

"These countries have little in common but are all threatened by factors associated with a rise in sea level due to global warming," Friedmann said.

"Traveling by sea kayak, I will pho-

tographically document these shorelines and interact with coastal inhabitants as well as local climatologists," he said.

Fulbright applicant Anna Troyansky '06 would like to teach English in a primary or secondary school in France next year.

"I hope to gain experience teaching foreign languages, as I intend to eventually teach French in the United States," Troyansky said.

Jonah Popp '06 also hopes to teach abroad.

"I am hoping to get a grant to help teach conversational English to high school students in South Korea," Popp said.

"I hope to learn about Korean language, culture, and geography and gain some teaching skills and a more explicit understanding of English," he said.

Chair of the Bowdoin Fellowships and Scholarships Committee and Professor of Film Tricia Welsh urges students to apply for a fellowship, even if their future plans are still somewhat "unfocused."

"We find that whether or not the student wins, they are able to use the process to plan their futures," Welsh said.

"We work very closely with applicants. The attention they get from faculty and staff makes this a really encouraging opportunity," she added.

The marked increase in the number of fellowship applicants may be attributed to the efforts of the Bowdoin Fellowships and Scholarships Committee, as well as to the increased involvement in faculty urging students to apply.

Professor of Chemistry and Chair of

the Biochemistry Department David Page has been working as part of the committee to strengthen the Fellowship Program.

"It's really a team effort," Page said. Shields noted that faculty members have been identifying potential fellowship candidates earlier, also adding to the recent strength of the program.

"We are now trying to identify them before senior year," she said.

According to Shields, Bowdoin encourages fellowship candidates to focus on the process and less on the end result.

"With our emphasis on 'you learn a lot from the process,' we make sure every candidate gets interviewed," Shields said.

Welsh agreed.

"Everyone gets a chance to be heard and gets feedback on their interviewing skills. They all get a hearing," she said.

"We really want students to learn how to think through a proposal. It's not about winning, but about becoming a stronger student. It's about learning how to present yourself through a process," she said.

The Fulbright applicants will find out if they passed the initial stage in February, but final decisions may not be made until as late as June. The Watson applicants will hear back in March.

"Our [committee's] larger scale goal is to make more of our students see themselves as viable applicants for the fellowships. We are missing candidates," Welsh said.

"We're trying to improve the intellectual life of the community but we're also helping people really dream big," she said.

# Quiet search goes on for admissions dean

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

The search for a new dean of admissions has just stepped up.

Soon a narrowed down list of candidates will be brought onto campus.

These candidates will meet with members of Bowdoin admissions, as well as heads of other departments that the Office of Admissions deals with. However, most students and faculty on campus will never meet the candidates.

According to Vice President for Planning and Institutional Advancement Scott Meiklejohn, the identities of the candidates are being kept secret for their own sake.

"All candidates come outside of any risk of being seen by people they know at Bowdoin," Meiklejohn said. The reason for this is apparently so that the colleges that the respective candidates are working at will not know that they are job hunting.

If a candidate's college discovered his application, and he did not get the job, it would make his situation difficult.

For this reason, the visits of the finalists will be confined to a few group conversations, all organized by

the search committee headed by President Barry Mills, with only admissions staff and other important officials.

This strategy, however, was noticeably absent when candidates for the dean of academic affairs were visiting.

"The campus visits for academic dean [candidates] were a lot more open for faculty," Meiklejohn said.

The reason for this openness, according to the Office of the President, was the large number of programs that the dean of academic affairs supervises.

The former Dean of Admissions Jim Miller left in August to return to his alma mater, Brown University.

The search for the new dean of admissions started

in mid-September. Associate Professor of Chemistry Rick Broene, a member of the search committee, believes the search has been going "quite well."

The search committee has been using Isaacson Miller, a search firm based in Boston, as a resource to find some of the candidates.

The search committee created a position description and a list of characteristics it was looking for in a new dean of admissions, and then used both its own contacts and Isaacson Miller's to find possible candidates.

In December, the committee brought eight people to Portland to interview and narrow down the list. In Portland, the committee decided on the candidates that it would bring to campus.

In Mills's convocation welcome speech at the beginning of the year, one of the first items addressed by the president was prospect of a new dean of admissions.

"This time of transition in the leadership of our admissions office does not indicate nor will it result in a change in admissions policy for this college," Mills said.

Mills also said how satisfied the College is with its admissions department.

"We have been remarkably successful in recent years in bringing to Bowdoin students of the highest quality, with a myriad of talents, from all across America and the world," he said.

Meiklejohn reiterated the same point, saying that the search was "not about a big change of direction—both [the admissions and academic affairs] programs are going very well."

As to when Bowdoin will actually see the new dean of admissions take office, the committee is not anxious to announce a date or deadline.

According to Meiklejohn, "We'll make a decision when we're sure we've found the right person."

*The dean of admissions search is being kept quiet. If a candidate's college discovered his application, and he did not get the job, it would make his situation difficult.*

# Re-Orientation prepares attendees for new semester

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Twenty-five first years and sophomores returned to campus two days early this semester to participate in a series of workshops as part of Bowdoin's inaugural Re-Orientation (Re-O) program.

On January 21 and 22, the self-selected students "re-oriented" themselves to college life by attending sessions on issues from working through writer's block to learning new study strategies to discussing alcohol issues on campus.

"First and sophomore years are great years to reassess where you are and where you're going," Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen said in his opening of the Sage Advice Panel at Re-O. He also encouraged students to "push each other to think seriously and deeply."

"This is a crucial time for you," he said.

Though many of Sunday's workshops were of a more serious nature—"Time Management," "Managing Your Reading Load," and "Non-Traditional Study Strategies"—Re-O focused on students' personal well-being as well as on their academic success.

Associate Professor of English Peter Coviello told students in the advice panel, "My worry for kids at Bowdoin—incredibly accomplished people—is it short-circuits doing what you're good at versus doing what you enjoy. Listen slightly less to the voices outside saying, 'Do this, do this,' and listen more to the voice within saying, 'Goddamn it, I'm excited about this.'"

While some workshops were explicitly aimed at improving per-

sonal well-being, those messages were embedded even within the more serious, academic-oriented programs.

"I think the program has a lot of potential," Nate Tavel '08 said.

"I did get a few good tips, like how to size up reading assignments better and focus better in class. Perhaps what will prove most useful to me though is that the program opened my eyes to the amazing resources available at the Baldwin Center that I had either never heard of or never thought to use for myself," he said.

Students had the option of participating in a time-management workshop led by Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster, in which participants were taught how to better manage their time to allow for more balanced, healthy lives.

In a workshop entitled "Whole Body Strategies for Overcoming Writer's Block," led by mentors from the Writing Project, anxiety was introduced as a hindrance to being able to write well, and students learned strategies for breaking through writer's block, such as free-writing or engaging in physical activity.

In the workshop "Increasing Study Efficiency and Effectiveness through Learning Preference Assessment," students learned not only which learning styles best suit them, but also how to adapt their study habits to learn better and more within their comfort zones.

In spite of sparser turnout than expected—the limit of participants was 120—students were able to take advantage of small-group settings in which to ask questions of faculty and staff and engage in dialogue on issues



Miranda Yaver, The Bowdoin Orient

Students arrived at Re-O ready to learn skills to prepare them for the spring.

of personal and academic success.

At the conclusion of each workshop, participants were asked to complete evaluations, in which they rated the effectiveness of each workshop and provided suggestions for future changes or workshop additions.

Though only reaching a small fraction of the Bowdoin student body, according to Foster, "The evaluations I saw were extremely positive and it appears that those who attended really benefited."

Program participant David Scott '08 said he found the seminar helpful.

"It provided me with the tools and means with which to manage my time, organize my work, and relieve stress," he said.

"My largest disappointment was that I could attend only three out of

nine workshops," Scott said. "I would like to see the program extended to two full days to provide more opportunities to engage in workshops," he said.

Thursday, the Re-O planning committee met to discuss "what we learned and what we would do differently," according to Foster, who also stated that he believes the committee is committed to trying the Re-O program again.

"Continuing to focus on academic success, personal success, and connecting students to people they don't know seems to be what students want," he said.

"Also, I'm guessing that as the program becomes a Bowdoin tradition, the interest in terms of faculty, student, and staff planning of the program grows significantly," Foster said.

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# BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

## Bowdoin pledges to cut carbon emissions by 2010

The College has signed on for the Governor's Carbon Challenge, Maine's voluntary program dedicated to cutting carbon emissions by 2010, according to the Office of Communications.

Using 2002 emissions data as a baseline, Bowdoin has set a target of 11 percent reduction of carbon emissions. Of the 11 percent, half is from direct emissions, such as on-campus gas- or fuel-burning appliances, and half from indirect emissions, such as electricity procurement from out of state.

"By volunteering for the Governor's Carbon Challenge, Bowdoin is stepping up to show our commitment to being good environmental stewards, and carrying on the College's principle of working for the Common Good," said Katy Longley, the senior vice president for finance and administration and treasurer at the College.

Among the College's direct emissions reduction initiatives has been

converting from No. 6 fuel oil to a cleaner-burning low-sulfur fuel oil; reducing the campus building heating standard four degrees; and purchasing a hybrid car.

The indirect emissions reduction initiatives have included committing to the purchase of energy-efficient flat-screen computer monitors; installing energy-saving devices on all vending machines; upgrading lighting; and incorporating geothermal heating systems into construction projects.

## Bowdoin increases black enrollment 250 percent

Bowdoin leads the list of liberal arts colleges in long-term gains of black first years, according to a report in *The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education*.

The findings show the College has seen a 250 percent increase in black

enrollment in the first-year class since 1994, when eight black students were enrolled, as compared to 28 in 2005.

While Bowdoin far out-ranks other liberal arts colleges in long-term increases, the College falls in the mid-range of year-on-year increases with a rise of 3.7 percent of black students from 2004 making up the first-year class, according to the report.

Colby College ranks last in the list of liberal arts colleges with its eight black first years composing 1.6 percent of its first-year class, the *Journal* found. Bates College declined to participate in the study.

## Polar bears are drowning as the northern ice melts

Apparently not only Bowdoin's Polar Bears are trying to keep their heads above water at the start of the semester.

The latest documented evidence of

global warming by scientists indicates several polar bears have drowned off the coast of Alaska after swimming long distances in the melting ice shelf of the arctic, according to an article in *The Wall Street Journal*.

"For anyone who has wondered how global warming and reduced sea ice will affect polar bears, the answer is simple—they die," Richard Steiner, a marine-biology professor at the University of Alaska, told the *Journal*.

Because polar bears have adapted to hunting only on ice, some scientists say within the next century they could become extinct if the ice shelf continues to melt, the article said. If polar bears attempt to swim amid disappearing ice, more are likely to tire and drown, scientists say.

According to the article, experts consider the reports worrying, as some have long warned a rapid melting could endanger the polar bears and other animals.

## RecycleMania to storm campus starting this month

RecycleMania, a 10-week long nationwide recycling competition, will be held at Bowdoin January 29 through April 8. The purpose of the competition is to collect the largest amount of recyclables per campus occupant. Bowdoin will be competing with over 85 colleges and universities.

Members of Sustainable Bowdoin and the college facilities crew will collect and measure all regular campus recyclables and organics. Volunteers will total the amounts collected and report the pounds per person result weekly to the RecycleMania committee at the Environmental Protection Agency.

There will be a number of activities on campus related to recycling during the competition, including a recycling shoot-out competition and a recycle bin decorating contest.

For more information, contact Katherine at [kateswe@bowdoin.edu](mailto:kateswe@bowdoin.edu).  
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## New dean of academic affairs plans spring visits to campus to work with current dean

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University of Exeter, King's College, University of London in the United Kingdom, and the University of Melbourne in Australia.

Judd said that her extensive experience as a music professor will be very helpful in adjusting to her new position.

"Moving from the professorial ranks to administration will certainly mean adjusting the balance in my professional life and learning new skills, but I think that my life as a music professor has prepared me for many of those challenges in interesting ways," Judd said.

For now, Judd does not have any specific plans for her position as dean of academic affairs.

She said that she will try to establish a relationship with students and faculty before making any plans for what she would like to accomplish at Bowdoin.

"At this stage, it would be premature (and probably foolhardy) for me to talk about specific plans for my deanship. I'm fortunate to have the next six months to get to know the campus and faculty and students, to begin to understand the issues, and to discover those special things that are unique to Bowdoin's culture," Judd said.

Judd is excited to be moving to Maine with her family, including her husband and three daughters—Katie, 16; Hannah, 11; and Sarah, nine. Judd's husband, Robert Judd, is a musicologist and the executive director of the American Musicological Society.

Judd admitted some apprehension of the infamous Maine weather.

"As a native Texan, I confess the weather worries me a little, and my computer desktop has Philly and Brunswick weather side by side, and, well, I can see a love of snow in my future," Judd said.

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## Maine Street to go wireless with Great Works Internet donation

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signal will come from Bowdoin's McLellan building on Union Street, behind Hannaford. These signals will then be distributed using five additional access points branching out from those two locations.

Town officials from both Brunswick and Topsham spoke enthusiastically about the project. Watson is "an important piece of technology that we can give to both our businesses and community," Brunswick Director of Economic Development Mathew Eddy said.

"We have been looking at ways that might be able to make our downtown more redundant in terms of internet access. We thought it was going to be a difficult process, but it turned out that it wasn't because Bowdoin is so far ahead in terms of technology, and they were interested," he said.

Suzanne Watson '89, economic and community development director for the town of Topsham, said that she envisioned the plan as a bridge between the two towns. Though originally the project was only to include Fort Andross and the Brunswick downtown, it is being expanded to offer service at the Bowdoin Mill in Topsham.

"It's kind of a community connectivity as well as a wireless connectivity,"

Watson said. "So we see more people crossing the bridge from town to town. We'd love to see more Bowdoin students doing that."

The College appears to have avoided what might have been the one hurdle for the project by cooperating with GWI, which is donating the wireless service for the pilot. In Philadelphia, internet service providers such as Verizon tried to defeat a similar plan because of worries

about the economic development of any community. There are all sorts of people who for economic reasons or other couldn't afford our service. If they had access to broadband it would help Maine as a whole. We might lose something [in terms of individual customers paying for internet connectivity], but the benefits far outweigh the costs," he said.

Although internet access will be open to all, only Bowdoin students will have access to the Bowdoin network.

Bowdoin students had mixed feelings about the project. According to Maresa Nielson '09, "It would be really convenient to be able to be anywhere and use the internet for anything."

Leah Ricci '07 felt otherwise. "I have a laptop, but I use it in my room or the library or on the Quad. I'd never take it downtown with me," she said.

"I think the only way it would help people is if they had something small like a PDA they could take with them. I want to know how much money they're spending to do this," she added.

The only obstacle remaining for the project, which Bowdoin will be setting up, is approval from the Town Council. According to Keimel, Davis and Kittredge are awaiting an invitation from the council "to speak with them about it in more detail" before proceeding with the project.

**"Broadband is really important to the economic development of any community. There are all sorts of people who for economic reasons or other couldn't afford our service."**

Fletcher Kittredge  
CEO of Great Works Internet

that it would hurt their business.

"It is understandable, but not to be condoned, that major wireless providers like Verizon Wireless, Cingular, or Sprint do not welcome the loss of a potential customer base" and therefore advocate for "no disruption of competition," Public Advocate for the State of Maine Steven Ward said.

According to CEO of GWI Fletcher Kittredge, "We're hoping to come up with a template for towns that don't have broadband now to put this into place."

"Maine has a real problem. Broadband is really important to the eco-

## CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT: WINTER BREAK

\*The Bowdoin Office of Safety and Security solved three campus thefts and identified a Bowdoin student as being responsible. The matters were turned over to the Dean of Student Affairs for J-Board adjudication.

The three incidents were the December 7 theft of a Bowdoin Express store money bag containing \$600, the theft of a student backpack containing a laptop computer valued at \$2,000 from Smith Union on December 9, and the theft of an Apple I-pod from a student at Stowe Hall on December 15. The laptop and the I-pod were recovered and returned to the students.

\*Three local men causing a disturbance while visiting a student at Brunswick Apartments were issued trespass warnings and removed from

college property.

\*A pellet rifle and a stolen construction sign were recovered from a dorm room at Coles Tower.

\*A student and his girlfriend were found inside 30 College St. after it was closed for winter break.

\*A male student was transported to Parkview Hospital for treatment after consuming too much alcohol.

\*Brunswick Police reported the arrest of an intoxicated male student trespassing at a residence on Harpswell Street.

\*Security is investigating vandalism damage to a wooden door handle at Thorne Dining Hall. The damage occurred on or about December 18.

\*Two Brunswick men were observed acting suspiciously in the parking lot at Brunswick Apartments

and were issued trespass warnings.

\*Security identified a Brunswick man suspected of vandalizing books at H-L Library. The man was reported to Brunswick Police and a trespass warning was issued prohibiting him from all Bowdoin property.

\*A staff person reported her vehicle stolen from Farley lot on December 29. The vehicle was recovered in Newport City, VT on January 10.

\*A pair of snowboarding boots was stolen from an unlocked vehicle at Pine Street Apartments, Lot C. Witnesses reported three male juveniles fleeing the area.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.

## Faculty meet colleagues at informal gatherings on Fridays after classes

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size. At a college Bowdoin's size, he said it is possible, though difficult, for faculty members to get to know people outside of their departments. According to Putnam, the potential for a tighter community among faculty was unrealized, but that these get-togethers are providing an excellent way to take advantage of Bowdoin's size and resources.

"I've got all these amazing colleagues that I don't know very well," Putnam said. "I've been here for five years, and it's embarrassing how many of [them] that I don't even know."

Associate Professor of Psychology Rick Thompson agreed that it is difficult for faculty members to get to know people outside of their departments, but

that the Friday gatherings provide a great chance "for faculty to mingle." He thinks that the weekly event will help facilitate faculty getting to know one another.

"It's great to have an opportunity to socialize with colleagues," Associate

Dean and Associate Affirmative Action Officer Nancy Jennings said. According to Jennings, the Friday get-togethers are a wonderful opportunity for faculty to come together in a less

**"I've got all these amazing colleagues that I don't know very well."**

Sam Putnam  
Assistant Professor of Psychology

formal setting and socialize at the end of the week.

Because the gatherings take place on Fridays afternoons, faculty members are less likely to have family commitments to fulfill, do not have the stress of preparing lecture notes, and are ready to start the weekend.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

-Attendance: 25/26. Absent:

Mike Lobiondo '06.

-Bree Dallinga '06, Charlie Ticotsky '07, Clark Gascoigne '08, and Miranda Yaver '09 attended the meeting to speak out against the proposed academic bill of rights.

-The Committee on Academic Affairs and the Committee on

Facilities are looking into having course book lists posted online before the next semester begins.

-Security will be adding extra cameras and keypads to the first floor of Coles Tower.

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# Features

## Visit to Denny's in Portland at 3 a.m. offers the unusual

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

There are times in life when you arrive at a place and know—in some inexplicable yet unimpeachable way—that you have come to exactly where you are meant to be at that moment.

Denny's restaurant was not one of those places. Portland, Maine, at 3:00 a.m. one Sunday morning last November was not one of those times.

Four of my friends—two girls and two guys—and I had intended to make an early-morning trip to L.L. Bean in quiet, safe Freeport. We had a change of heart so we kept driving down Interstate 295.

On the outskirts of the city of Portland, we came to the consensus that hot food was in order. Since Denny's was the only place open at 2:40 a.m., we drove there.

As we walked in, a sign in the half-filled restaurant informed us to "Please wait to be seated." And wait we did. Twenty minutes elapsed before we were brought to a table. Luckily, they were an eventual 20 minutes.

At the booth nearest to where we were standing, a group of four men—incredibly muscular by any objective standard—joked with each other in Spanish over endless cups of coffee. They only seemed to take notice of us when our

drunk friend began to teeter back and forth. Swaying precariously close to a point where gravity would take over, one of the large men spoke: "Take care of your friend, man. He's going to fall..." It wasn't so much a fall as a quick sit-down.

I helped my friend off the ground and walked him outside. He decided to sit in the car and sleep. I promised him we would come out and check to make sure everything was okay every few minutes.

When I got back inside we had still not been seated. The coffee drinkers appeared to be joking about us in Spanish. It didn't really bother us, but their constant laughter in our direction really pissed off a guy, no older than 17, who had been waiting in line behind us.

"What the [hell] is your problem? I mean what's so damn funny?" he demanded. Suddenly their laughter stopped. They exchanged quick glances and one of the men, mustachioed wearing black jeans and a blue t-shirt, put his coffee cup down and stood up menacingly.

"Don't," one of his compatriots said softly but powerfully. After a moment of contemplation the man sat down. Everyone breathed a sigh of relief.

The waiter who seemed to finally take pity on us and bring us to a table actually had no pity at all; I suspect he had used up his compassion sometime earlier in his

shift. Of all the empty tables in the restaurant, he chose to seat us at the next to a destructively dysfunctional family—a daughter, her mother, and her aunt.

It was if the mother had been flown in on the red eye from Hollywood; she was a caricature of herself, direct from central casting. Reeking of booze with unkempt salt-and-pepper hair, she shoved a Paul Bunyon-sized platter of eggs over easy into her mouth with the accuracy of Shaq at the free throw line in 1996: below 50 percent. Some of her food came to rest on the table or on the floor, but most landed in her lap and on her shirt. She was wearing a grey sweater that showed the errant specks of fried yolk with particular clarity. Although she could have been 40 or 50, she looked much older. Wrinkles crisscrossed her face. After yelling out some incomprehensible string of words that sounded vaguely obscene and threatening at the same time, she smiled, which brought the wrinkles into exceptionally stark relief. It was not her age nor her eating habits that seemed to worry the restaurant management, but rather her loud proclamations about the inferior quality of the eggs.

"M'am," a male Denny's employee said, "this is the last time I'm going to ask you to quiet down. You are disturbing the other customers." He stood next to her

table waiting for her response.

"Said the eggs were I, the end of the grunk stunk," she retorted. "That's obvious," she added. Her daughter and sister continued to eat their meals as if oblivious to what was going on. The waiter apologized to us for her behavior and took our orders. The crazed mother grumbled loudly but then quieted down. It was too late, however: A Denny's waitress had already made the call.

My friends and I had little to talk about with all the commotion in the restaurant, although the specter of flying egg white was certainly mentioned a few times. Every few minutes I got up to check on my inebriated friend. He was soundly asleep. And there wasn't a soul in the parking lot.

Our food arrived just as the cops pulled up outside, their blue and red lights peaking the attention of everyone in the restaurant, for various reasons.

"Portland's Finest," someone from another table said.

Except it wasn't. Four gun-toting officers, employees of some security company, walked in the door and directly to our table.

After being pointed in the direction of the egg-woman by a Denny's employee, all four of them cleared their throats and glared at her.

"You're gonna' have to come with us, lady."

"Not again!" she moaned. The restaurant fell silent as she was escorted out, unintentionally dribbling a trail of fried egg particles from her table to the door that would have made Hansel and Gretel proud. The pseudo-cops put her in a taxi.

"Denny's has a police force?" someone asked.

"Learn something new everyday," a person at another table responded.

Given the wide variety of people in the restaurant and the early hour, the sense of camaraderie that had developed in Denny's was truly bizarre. The young man who had almost been pummeled by the mustachioed Spanish-speaker asked us where we were from and we conversed for a few moments. Eventually everyone went back to their food which was tasty if a little harsh on the stomach.

At this point, the daughter, suddenly drawn out of her silence by forces unseen, burst into tears. After a moment, her aunt comforted her and she calmed down.

We paid the bill. As we were leaving, the daughter ran outside with her mother's unfinished plate of eggs. As we pulled out of the parking lot, she was still standing there. Just her and the unfinished platter of eggs.

## Dr. Jeff: You may have herpes and not know it

### Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff:  
Can you have genital herpes and not know it? Can a person infect you with herpes, even if they've never had any sores? —L.H.



Dear L.H.: Unfortunately, the answer is yes to both of those questions.

There are two strains of herpes virus, type 1 and type 2. Type 1 causes nearly all oral herpes infections ("fever blisters" or "cold sores"), and probably 40 percent of genital herpes infections (through oral sex). Type 2 causes about 60 percent of genital herpes infections, and a very small number of oral infections.

About 80 percent of the population has had, at some time, oral herpes. The prevalence of genital herpes has increased significantly over the last 25 years, with more than 20 percent of adolescents and adults in this country estimated to be infected. Among college students, the prevalence is thought to be even higher.

The "classic" signs of an initial genital herpes infection are grouped blisters or sores in the genital area. The sores usually itch or burn or hurt, and are often accompanied by flu-like aches and pains and a low-grade fever. After the initial infection, the herpes virus lies dormant in nerve bundles at the base of the spine. The virus periodically reactivates, traveling back down

the nerve bundle and causing a recurrent outbreak.

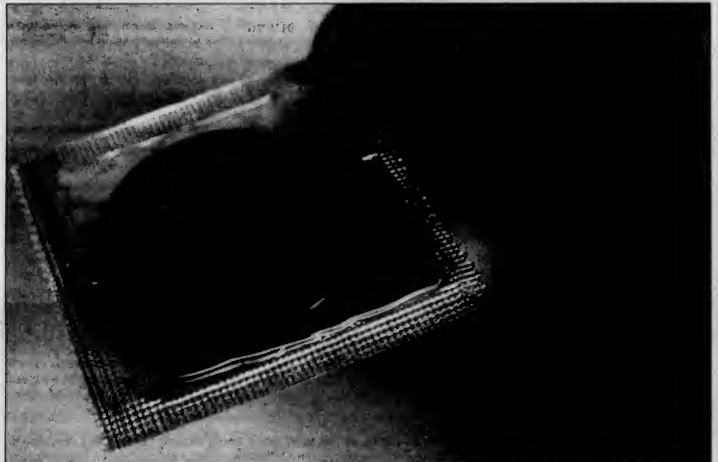
Recurrent outbreaks are usually milder and briefer, and typically occur four to five times per year. They are frequently triggered by other illnesses, poor diet, or emotional or physical stress. Over time, recurrent outbreaks become less frequent and less severe, and usually eventually cease altogether.

It has become clear, however, that most cases of genital herpes do not present with "classic" signs and symptoms. In fact, up to 60 percent of infections are not recognized by patients nor diagnosed by clinicians, because they do not cause the typical sores. An additional 20 percent of infections cause no symptoms whatsoever.

Transmission of herpes occurs most readily from skin-to-skin contact with an actively, broken-out site. Most skin on our bodies is too thick for the virus to penetrate, but mucosal surfaces (oral and genital) are quite susceptible. Fortunately, the virus is very fragile, and does not live long on inanimate surfaces. So herpes cannot be transmitted by contact with a toilet seat, bathtub, or towel.

Herpes virus is shed in huge numbers during outbreaks. It can also be shed in between outbreaks, when there are no signs or symptoms. This asymptomatic shedding is thought to occur only a few days per year. But because most people naturally tend to avoid sex when they have active sores, most transmission of herpes—in fact over 70 percent—is thought to occur in the absence of warning signs or symptoms.

Herpes is diagnosed most reliably by culturing the virus from



"Safer sex practices remain the key to decreasing herpes transmission...using condoms, dental dams, or female condoms significantly lowers the risk of viral transmission."

active lesions. Diagnosis is more problematic in between outbreaks, or in an asymptomatic carrier. Blood tests can be done to measure antibodies to both viral types, but they are not always accurate. Interpretation of test results can be difficult, because, as noted earlier, neither HSV-1 nor HSV-2 is anatomically restricted.

If at some time 80 percent of the population has had oral herpes, for instance, then 80 percent of the population can be expected to have antibodies to HSV-1, whether or not HSV-1 is also the cause of an additional genital infection. While positive HSV-2 antibody titers indicate that it is likely that the individual has had

genital herpes, the results are similarly not definitive.

Many people who have been diagnosed with genital herpes find it emotionally and psychologically distressing. Fortunately, for most, this distress and anxiety fade with time. Genital herpes rarely leads to other health problems, with the very important exception that it increases the risk of sexually acquiring and transmitting HIV.

There is at present no cure or vaccine for herpes. There are three medications that will help speed healing in both initial and recurrent outbreaks. All three can also be taken daily and long term, to prevent recurrences. It is very likely that daily medication

decreases, if not largely prevents, asymptomatic viral shedding.

All of this means that safer sex practices remain the key to decreasing herpes transmission. Avoiding intimate contact when sores are present, is an obvious place to start. In between outbreaks, using condoms, dental dams, or female condoms significantly lowers the risk of viral transmission.

Of course, no safer sex practices can eliminate all infectious risks. But being informed about those risks is a critical first step.

Be well, be thoughtful, and be safe!

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# A Look Back

*Clippings from the Archives*

## Bowdoin Orient.

### Bowdoin Graduates Its First Woman Student

**T**oday, Susan Jacobson received a diploma and a lollipop. The diploma was the first of its kind and the lollipop was payment for a bet lost by her father.

When she was five Sue told her father, a 1940 graduate of Bowdoin College, "I'm going to go to Bowdoin." He told her "There's a slight problem." Bowdoin was an all-male school. Nevertheless, Sue bet her father a lollipop that she would one day go to his college.

She graduated from Deering High School in Portland, Me., and set off to Connecticut College.

During her sophomore year she learned of the newly established Twelve College Exchange Program

and applied as an exchange student to Bowdoin. She was accepted and spent a year studying at her father's alma mater. Since room was available this fall, she returned for a third semester in the Exchange, anticipating her return to Connecticut to graduate in June.

Then, on a fateful Friday in September, Bowdoin's Governing Boards voted to make the 176-year-old college coeducational. The following Monday Sue was in the office of Professor A. LeRoy Greason, Jr., Dean of the College, asking to be allowed to graduate from Bowdoin. She would have gone to him earlier, she said, "but Dean Greason wasn't in his office Sunday."

After conversations with officials at Connecticut College and Bowdoin, Dean Greason informed Sue that she would be the first woman to be awarded an undergraduate degree at Bowdoin since its founding in 1794.

Still somewhat stunned by the fact that she was not only attending her father's college but also a regularly enrolled student there, Sue said "Being first doesn't make any difference, I just love the place."

Being first does make a difference to her mother, though. Mrs. Jacobson has tried talking about "my daughter at Bowdoin" and has been met with disbelief. In desperation she has designated Sue "my son at Bowdoin."

Her father, Dr. Payson B. Jacobson of Portland, "just laughs," Sue said. "He's

become used to the idea of coeducation at his alma mater though."

Although Sue is the first woman undergraduate degree recipient, she joins a long list of distinguished female honorary degree recipients and graduate degree holders.

Dean Greason has nothing but praise for Bowdoin's first regularly enrolled coed. "She did splendidly in her first year in the Exchange," he said, "and we were pleased to welcome her back for an additional semester." Her three semesters in residence at Bowdoin were a prime factor in her being

allowed to graduate, in effect, a full year before female graduates were expected.

"The College is especially pleased that Sue will be the first," Dean Greason said. "She has set high standards which we hope our later coeds will be able to match."

As a member of the first group of girls to attend Bowdoin, Sue has many thoughts about those first few months and the prospects for the future now that Bowdoin women will be joining Bowdoin men. "Last year," she said, "the men couldn't find their way to struggle over to our house a few blocks from the campus. But we could always walk way over to the Senior Center! This year, living right next to the campus, we have more visitors and even get serenaded in the middle of the night."

"Bowdoin men have gone out of their way to be nice," she added, "but Bowdoin is traditionally nice." The initiation of full coeducation may cause a few problems for some Bowdoin men, Sue thinks. "Some of the men here have been brought up through all-male boarding schools and have been continuing the tradition through an all-male college. They don't know how to treat girls and often put them on a different plane."

"College years should be maturing years," she noted, "but you have to mature in many ways." Coeducation will be helpful, she added, because "in the cruel world outside, there are girls."

Sue, who is an English major, hopes to go on to study Library Science.



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A 1971 cartoon of the first woman to receive an undergraduate degree from Bowdoin.

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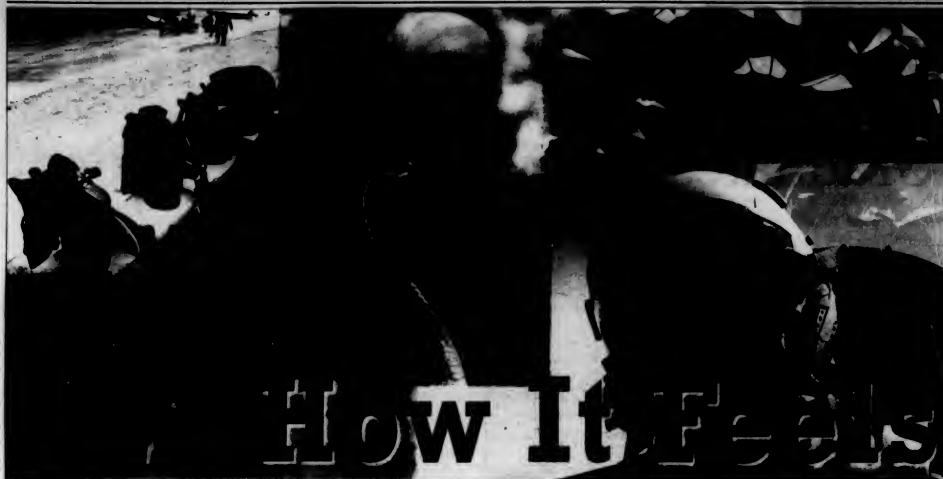
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## ...to grow up in a war zone

They announced on the radio that it was supposed to be a calm day. Everyone would go outside to chill out. It was a beautiful day, a Sunday, you know, 85 degrees and not a cloud in the sky. I was six years old. It was 1992.

In Bosnia, everyone—especially grandmothers—had a small patch of land on a hillside right outside of town. My grandmother had this little patch of land where she had strawberries growing. She and I walked into the shed to get a shovel for me to do something with when I heard these terrible noises, you know, a very high whistle pitch. With a mortar shell, you hear it hit the ground and you feel it hit the ground. Even if you're really far away from the impact, it will still shake everything.

My dad pulled me out of the shed—this small shed was dangerous because it could have collapsed—and took me to the street. About 50 feet below, there was a mortar shell just stuck in the mud. Everyone had just watered their land so the mortars that day got stuck in the mud. So ironic. It was really unbelievable. I think there were six or seven shells within 300 feet of each other and they all got stuck in the mud and didn't explode. Artillery shells have a little detonator which gets crushed on impact—but if there's not enough impact, they don't explode. [...]

On the radio, when they predicted a calm day it meant the armies were taking a break. People wanted to get outside. You know, it's not fun being all locked up inside. The air [raid] signals went off all the time and we had to go down into the basement.

The siren was a part of everyday life. As a

kid, you'd be playing with marbles outside and building things and being very productive and then the siren would go off and you'd run for the basement and hang out there. It gets to the point where it just becomes part of regular life after a while. People would just leave their stuff down there and bring small tables to the basement and have coffee.

When the siren went off, it didn't always mean that [the area you were in] was specifically in danger. Nine out of 10 times, nothing happened. In fact, right where I lived I don't remember it happening more than once—but that [one time] was our neighbor's house. Half of the house was blown apart and the other half just had the walls left. It wasn't really that loud—the shell that destroyed their house wasn't much louder than most shells, they are always really loud—but then I walked outside and there was nothing left of house. [...]

American aid packages were terrific. They would have cocoa and they would have powdered milk. They were small packets though so there was a whole system of trade that went on. I couldn't deal with trading mine away though; both were so good. Those aid packages, they were quite nice. [...]

We always got to play with guns. There were soldiers housed in our daycare center because it was the only place in town where there were sleeping quarters. The soldiers would pick weapons apart and let us play with what was left. [...]

A day in the life of a kid in Bosnia was all about new toys that you play with like learning how to have fun in a foxhole or playing on an anti-aircraft gun. These were functional anti-aircraft guns that didn't have any ammo and were just waiting to be hauled off to wherever. You could climb up into them and use the manual controls to spin it around. And you could get some speed on that thing, you really could. On the anti-aircraft gun, it was just spin and go.

—Goran Cengic '09 as told to Joshua Miller.

## ...to get KO'd in a slum fight

I lived in Brazil for six years. Sometimes, after school, my friends and I would go to this place in Rio de Janeiro called Hoshina—the world's largest slum. It was right in front of our school. I had a friend there who knew a bunch of people and would be like: "Look how cool I am. I know this place and I know that place and you don't have to worry about this place being the slums because I know this [important] guy and it's cool." He had these hand gestures he used to show he was down with the people there. They would look at me funny though because, there I was, this big fat white guy in Hoshina... I got called a lot of very interesting names while I was there.

Anyway, one time we were at this slummy little bar sitting around, drinking and talking to each other and it got pretty late. All of sudden, one of the guys screams out "lado a, lado b!" which means "side a, side b!" It's this game they play where people stand on two sides of a line and then run at each other and beat the shit out of each other. It's just people our age who are sitting around. This is what they do for fun.

So my friends and I know to immediately get the hell out of there. We're trying to get out and all these people are fighting when, all of a sudden, I turn around and there's this guy standing there with this giant chain-like a big pipe chain. He brings the chain down on me and I pass out.

I wake up at my friend's house and I'm like, "how the [heck] did I get here?" The guy had hit me so hard across the chest that he had, basically, knocked me out. On my chest, I had the indents of each link in the chain.

All my friends got outta' there without any injuries, except for one who got punched in the face. They were like: "look at my friend: he's got a bike chain in him" and they let us through.

We drove by Hoshina everyday, but I never went back to that particular part of the slum.

—J. Patrick Brown '08 as told to Joshua Miller.

## ...to do this...



I was doing a backflip in a meet last year against either Bates or Colby. I don't remember which. It was the first time I had ever done the three-meter board during a competition and the coach promised he would give me a call at the end of it—which is when they call something out and that tells you when to come out of a tuck and just open straight up. But I was kind of nervous that I wouldn't be able to hear it because there were all these swimmers and everyone was cheering for me so I just got very nervous. When you jump off the board, you're supposed to lean backwards to some degree, but I was thinking instead of being safe, I wanted to make it a very good dive which means you come straight up and straight down missing the board by a few inches. That didn't happen.

It's funny now because nothing really terrible happened. I smacked my head on the board, may possibly have lost consciousness between smacking my head on the board and landing on my back in the water, but was able to swim out of the pool by myself. [...] You know, they had the trainers there and I still thought it was kind of funny. They were asking me all these questions to see whether I had a concussion like "What school do you go to?" and "What's your name?" and I'm sitting there thinking, "God, why don't they just ask my coach these stupid questions. This is really not a good time." I then figured out that they were trying to see whether I had a concussion. As it turns out, I either had a mild one or none at all.

—Elizabeth Hedrick '08 as told to Joshua Miller.

## ...to be a soldier in Israel

I live in Jerusalem, Israel, and one week before my 17th birthday I went to the BAKUM—an acronym for "receiving and sorting base" where everyone is assigned to their units in the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). I was sort of lucky because I was originally assigned to be in a combat unit, but they found out that I had some kind of eyesight issue so they let me pick a course. I chose an intelligence course.

Basic training for non-combat combat soldiers like myself took one month and it was really the most basic sort of joke training for all the people who weren't going to be fighters. The basic training I went to is a lot less intense than the real basic training. I then was in an intelligence course for two months.

In Israel [all women join the military for at least two years and] men join the military for three years, except for the few who get exceptions. My brother, for example, didn't go in because he has a life-threatening bee-sting allergy and the army didn't want to take responsibility for him in case he got stung. In a lot of ways I was sort of hoping they would discover something like that about me. Most people go in, though. All my friends went in [to the IDF]. Essentially if you're a guy, you have to go to a combat unit unless some other unit wants you—that means intelligence—or if you have some kind of physical problem like asthma.

I can't say much about intelligence work I did for security reasons, but I was based in Jerusalem. I didn't do anything technical; I did more analysis-based work, which I really enjoyed. It was very specific but it was also something that, uh, you know, they say people in the intelligence service are snobs. It's true, I'm not denying it. Part of it is because you get to see all this information that most people don't see. At least in certain things, you realize that there is more than you hear on the news. [...]

Most people go on trips, usually backpacking trips, to South America or Thailand or India after they're done with their service but I didn't. I told people that coming here to college was my trip. I came here a month after I got out of the army. Coming to Bowdoin was sort of a way of getting away from Israel where I was sort of—I don't want to say trapped—but I couldn't get away because of the army. I wanted to do something different, but I also wanted to start studying.

As to whether people actually want to serve, it's very mixed. There are people who really want to go in. Personally, if I had had a choice, I don't think I would have gone in. A lot of people don't really think about it and that's not even in the sense everyone does it, but 18 is a very young age. Eighteen to 21 are supposedly the best years of your life and here you are spending time in this organization, which isn't—I mean, they don't really care for you. I mean, coming here to Bowdoin was sort of like, it's a country club. I get served meals, they take care of my housing, and if I have any problems I call someone up or send them an email and they're here, if not today then the next day. People here always care about you and how you're doing; in the army, it is not at all like that.

—Zvi Shapiro '07 as told to Joshua Miller.

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## Meddies take Korean holiday



Courtesy of Jeffrey Friedlander

The Meddies performed on the Seoul Broadcasting System's "Music Wave" program in front of a national television audience and a live audience of approximately 700. Korean diva Lee Eun Mi (center) also performed.

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

The Bowdoin Meddiebempsters are accustomed to performing for quiet, attentive audiences, but how about a group of Buddhist monks? They are used to singing in cafés and restaurants, but how about one of the swankiest night clubs in Seoul, South Korea? They are no strangers to sharing the stage with other talented singers, but how about a famed Korean diva? They are familiar with playing alumni functions, but how about the first ever convocation of Bowdoin Korean alumni?

Suffice it to say, the Meddies' two-week journey to South Korea over winter break set some new highs for the 69-year-old a cappella group.

Using funds that they had raised by singing paid gigs in addition to a generous contribution from Bowdoin Student Government (BSG), 11 of the group's 13 members, two of whom call South Korea home, traveled to the other side of the globe, where they spent 14 days performing in churches, hospitals, restaurants, and even subway stations. Among their hosts during this time was a Bowdoin alumnus and former mayor of Seoul Cho Soon '60, and the parents of current Meddies Josh Chung '06 and Yong-Soo Chung '09 (no relation).

Josh Chung's uncle, a producer at Seoul Broadcasting System (SBS), a South Korean television network, arranged for the Meddies to perform in front of a live studio audience on "Music Wave," a popular program that members of the group described as the Korean equivalent to the British Broadcast Company's (BBC) "Top of the Pops" or the former American Broadcast Company (ABC) show "American Bandstand." This allowed the Meddies to rub elbows with Korean music royalty, as eminent singer Lee Eun Mi and rising pop

group Gavy NJ were also guests on the show that evening. But the Meddies' experiences with pop stars were not limited to the local variety. Chung's uncle was also able to score them tickets to the Backstreet Boys, who happened to be in town.

Their performance on "Music Wave" was not the group's only television appearance. They also performed on the Christian Global Network (CGN), an international Christian television network, when singing at an Onnuri Church in Seoul.

"We sang songs where the lyrics matched [those of hymns sung in the church]," said Chung. "The Life Song, 'Living on a Prayer'..."

But perhaps the most spiritual moments of the trip occurred not at the church but at the Buddhist Seoknam Monastery in the Southeastern part of the country. During what began as a simple tour of the monastery, the Meddies by chance ran into the head monk, who then invited them into the monastery for tea.

"It was one of the most intense experiences of my life," said sophomore Will Hales. "It was just us, sitting in a semicircle around this table as the great monk of the monastery prepared tea for us."

After some debate over whether offering to sing would be appropriate, the group performed several songs for some of the monks who were not reflecting privately at the time. They even received a request for an encore.

Before the Meddies left the monastery, the head monk gave them each \$10 in the ancient tradition of the Chinese New Year in a solemn ceremony that many of the members agreed was the emotional peak of the trip.

"We will not be spending that money," said Josh Chung.

Chung's father, a member of the Board of Directors at Yonsei University Medical Center in Seoul,

invited the Meddiebempsters to perform for patients at the University's Severance Hospital.

"We started singing at the 19th floor, and sang songs [on each end of each floor] all the way down to the fourth floor," said Josh Chung.

"I left my voice somewhere around the 10th floor," Hales admitted.

The group estimated that they sang each song approximately 40 times.

Although their voices were shot after this exercise, and they worried about losing them permanently with gigs still on the schedule, the Meddies still summoned the pipes to sing for and interact with patients in the children's section of the hospital's cardiology wing, an experience that moved some members to tears.

Not all of the performances were staged. In bars and restaurants, the Meddies were often able to earn free food and drinks by regaling employees and patrons with songs from their repertoire.

"They didn't recognize all the music, but they always knew 'Fly Me to the Moon,'" said Kevin Wilcox '06. "They would sometimes respond to other familiar melodies."

"A lot of it had to do with the energy we put out," said Bernardo Guzman '08.

Hales added, "They also liked watching people who were all wearing the same thing."

Though the two-week odyssey was unlike anything these Meddiebempsters have done before, they agreed that the overarching theme of the trip was the same as anything the group does together.

"At the end, what it comes down to is that we're a group of guys who enjoy singing together, and enjoy performing well for people," said Tawwan Patterson '06. "It's not about where we are, it's about being together, and performing the best we can, wherever we are."

## Jazz duo to perform Monk standards

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
STAFF WRITER

As is the case with most musical pairings, the duo of Gary Wittner and Howard Johnson happened by chance.

Wittner and Johnson, who will be performing their jazz concert at Kresge on Saturday at 3:00 p.m., met at a restaurant in New York City. When Johnson overheard a conversation between Wittner and another musician at a separate table, he joined in the discussion.

For Wittner and Johnson, this innocent conversation between the accomplished guitarist and renowned tuba soloist led first to a recording session, then on to two critically acclaimed jazz albums and tours around New England and the Midwest. "Howard is one of the real veterans on the jazz scene," Wittner said. "I learn something every time I play with him, so it's been terrific musically for me."

Now, Wittner and Johnson bring their brand of jazz to Bowdoin. Many music students and other students wandering around Gibson Hall may have already heard bits and pieces of Wittner's jazz, as he is the applied music professor for guitar. Delmar Small, the department's concert, budget, and equipment manager, said that the college found Wittner through jazz contacts in the area. As a local from Raymond, Small knew that much of the community would want to hear Wittner perform in concert.

"Typically, local musicians have their own groupies," Small said. "We like to feature faculty, since the community likes to hear the people who are teaching. It really brings it home."

In addition to Wittner's role as an adjunct faculty member at Bowdoin, his teaching experience also extends to the University of Maine in Augusta, where he received the University's Distinguished Scholar Award in 1996, and he was also part of the original faculty at the

International Summer Jazz Academy in Krakow, Poland. Wittner has met a variety of students in his many years teaching, from virtuoso prodigies in Europe to non-music majors at Bowdoin, and said that it all comes down to what people are there for. For him, teaching is about "communicating with people. With the right person in the room, it's fun—you're giving something and getting something and having a successful human exchange." Wittner continued, "When students have respect for the music and are willing to have fun, it's almost always a positive experience."

Much of Wittner's music, in addition to his original compositions, focuses on jazz great Thelonious Monk. Wittner discovered Monk as a student of veterinary medicine at Cornell, when a jazz fan in the dorm played a Monk album. For Wittner, the music spoke to him immediately, a rarity for Monk since his rhythms are unique and usually an acquired taste.

"My theory is that Monk's rhythms were already in my body, as we all have rhythms in our bodies, and that's why they spoke to me so strongly," Wittner said. "His rhythms opened up the doorway to rhythms that were already there."

Wittner left Cornell and began studying Monk at the Berklee School of Music in Boston, graduating in 1981 and completing a thesis of Monk's compositions in 1986.

Johnson has his own connections to Monk, as he was a major part of the New York music scene in the 1960s and met Monk, John Coltrane, and Cannonball Adderly. He has also worked with an impressive and eclectic list of musicians, including Miles Davis, Dizzy Gillespie, Marvin Gaye, Frank Zappa, John Lennon, and Paul Simon.

Who knows, those who attend the concert on Saturday afternoon may find their own rhythms to open doorways.

## Faculty to play Mozart

by Frances Killea  
STAFF WRITER

This time 250 years ago, a family in Salzburg grew larger by one son, and the music community grew by one genius. Baptized Johannes Chrysostomus Wolfgangus Theophilus Mozart, the composer we know as Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart grows a year older on the January 27th.

In his honor, Bowdoin plans on throwing a party, concert-style. Members of the Music Department have organized a "Faculty Mozart Birthday Concert" to celebrate the birth of the landmark artist.

Beginning at 4:00 p.m., the Chapel will come alive with various pieces for keyboard, voice, and violin. Timothy Johnson, Christina Astrachan, Bonnie Scarpelli, Vineet Shende and Anthony Antolini showcase their vocal tal-

ents, while Mary Hunter will play the violin. Particularly exciting is the fact that James Parakilas (a visiting musician from Bates), Delmar Small, Naydene Bowder, Joyce Moulton, Robert K. Greenlee, and Shirley Mathews will play on a Mozart-era piano on loan from Rod Regier of Freeport.

Some of the pieces featured in the concert are "Fantasia in C minor," "Pria di Partir" from Idomeno, and "Padre, Germani, Addio," also from Idomeno. In addition to these works by Mozart, Shende and Greenlee will perform a piece called "Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (to his father)," written by Dominick Argento.

Mozart lived only 35 years but left music and inspiration that has lasted 250 and counting. This influence is precisely what Bowdoin aims to celebrate in its concert in the chapel. Admission is free.

# 'Brokeback Mountain' climbs to the summit of '05 films



by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST

Finally, a best picture frontrunner that's actually fully deserving of the title.

In this year of highly politicized cinema, from "Good Night and Good Luck" to "Munich," "Brokeback Mountain" one-ups all of these films, delivering a powerful, human drama that breaks down barriers for the depiction of homosexuals in cinema. It would be no small feat for this film to reach a mainstream audience with such a message, but that is exactly what is happening.

Often, gays in film are depicted within a narrow range of situations, either as dying from AIDS or acting out horribly stereotyped behavioral clichés. The genius of "Brokeback" is how the relationship between Ennis del Mar (Heath Ledger) and Jack Twist (Jake Gyllenhaal) is developed like a heterosexual relationship; the issue is not homosexuality, but the struggles of a couple who, for some reason, are unable to be together. Here, their gender is not the end result but merely a stop along the narrative road.

This film goes beyond just being revelatory however, and reaches a level of sociological and political truth, allegorically showing the effects of a society that constrains people from acting in their private life in ways they see fit. These are the dangers of closed-mindedness.

The film tells the story of Ennis and Jack, two ranch hands in 1963 Wyoming who work on Brokeback Mountain together one summer, and fall in love. It then follows them during the following 20 years, as they struggle with their feelings for each other. There is no frame of reference for them to understand these emotions, only the knowledge that what they want is certainly not socially acceptable. In a flashback, Ennis remembers a time as a young boy when his father took him to see a man dragged by his penis, punished for being "one of those."

And so they both marry, but still long for each other, making do with long weekends and succinct postcards, their desire lurking just beneath the surface.

Along the way the viewer has much



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

'Brokeback Mountain' challenges the classic romance/drama genre in its telling of two male sheepherders who fall in love.

by which to be enraptured. Rodrigo Prieto's cinematography stunningly evokes the peace and epic scope of the American West. Gustavo Santaolalla's score also subtly underplays the action occurring on screen, never scene stealing but properly illuminating the material.

Director Ang Lee truly is a marvel, showing himself as capable in the Victorian England of "Sense & Sensibility" and medieval China of "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" as he is in current day rural America. He is a superlative director, showcasing his range, talent and humanity without ever being showy.

## Brokeback Mountain

Director: Ang Lee

Stars: Jake Gyllenhaal, Heath Ledger

Rating: ★★★★★

In "Brokeback", he subtly, and extremely effectively, uses the first 20 minutes of the film to ground the viewer in Jack and Ennis's relationship and understand the nature of it, the intimacy, the desire. Then great narrative leaps can be effortlessly made over the next two decades, thus being able to focus solely on the important parts of the narrative and nothing more. Lee's achievements throughout certainly merit the honor of an Oscar for best director.

The screenplay, a masterful adaptation, upholds the sparse dialogue from the original short story by Annie Proulx. Although fully fleshed out it never feels overdone or reaching for additional plot elements. It keeps the film focused on the images as well as the subtext of their relationship, because here so much is left unsaid.

No discussion of "Brokeback

Mountain" can be complete without praise for Heath Ledger. His performance is one for the ages, and the New York Times's comparison with Marlon Brando is fully deserved. Nothing, save a small part in *Monster's Ball*, has ever shown Mr. Ledger to have this kind of range and depth of emotion as an actor. For Ennis, every word is a struggle, his stoicism perfectly pitched for his character.

Another of the film's achievements is in Michelle Williams's superb performance as Alma, Ennis's wife. Much like her screen and real life husband, nothing from "Dawson's Creek" ever displayed the talent she possesses. Williams' underplays her discovery of Ennis's desires with such subtlety that observing her as a third party to Jack and Ennis's embrace and kiss, one can almost see the wave of realization sweeping over her face.

Jake Gyllenhaal's idealistic Jack Twist is vital for the story of "Brokeback" to hold together. In the year of Gyllenhaal, with three lead performances in major pictures, this is a career peak thus far. His performance is infused with such charm and stoic longing, one can see how Ennis fell for him.

The most special of movie-going experiences is one when everything seems to come together just right, far exceeding one's expectations. "Brokeback Mountain" is a culmination of the best of actors, directors, screenwriters, and technicians all coming together and delivering their best work. Let's all hope that on March 5 things go well for Ennis and Jack with deserved success at the Oscars.

# Web keeps shoppers warm in winter weather

by Monica Ruzicka and  
Vanessa Kitchen  
COLUMNISTS

It's a blizzard outside, the wind is howling, and your car is buried in snow somewhere in the Farley parking lot. You're back at school and looking to branch out from the sweats and slippers you've been lounging around in all break, but unpacking your bags, you discover you have nothing to wear to class, let alone wear on Saturday night. It's time to do some shopping, but the road conditions aren't exactly conducive to a quick jaunt to Portland or Boston to hit up the malls.

Never fear, online is here! After the customary email and Facebook check, the internet lends itself to a more time-consuming pursuit: online shopping. It can be done in the privacy of your dorm room—even in bed. There are thousands of sites out there—from Neiman Marcus to Target, you can find anything you desire on the World Wide Web. However, navigating the sea of online shops can be daunting. It's hard to know where to find the best bargains and which sites have the best selection—not to mention size, fit, and accurate color choice from a virtual dressing room.

For high-end fashion, the online boutiques are very useful. The web site [www.shopbop.com](http://www.shopbop.com) sells over 25 designers such as Sevens, Citizens, and Theory, as well as the eclectic clothing of Catherine Malandrino, LaRok, and Rachel Pally, to name a few. They also carry other essentials such as shoes, bags, belts, jewelry, and beauty products. Not bad for one-stop shopping! However, these types of stores sell fairly expensive clothing, so steer clear if you're on a strict budget. The site [www.grechen-scloset.com/masterlist.htm](http://www.grechen-scloset.com/masterlist.htm) has a fabulously comprehensive list of links to designer boutiques, "mall" shops (Coach, Anthropologie, Cole Haan, Gap, etc.) vintage, jewelry, shoes, handbags, beauty products, gifts, and indie clothing designers. Also, check out Revolve Clothing's site to view items on a model from six different angles for a more accurate representation of the clothes.

It's no secret that Brunswick, Maine has a limited selection of shops, and even Portland may not satisfy specific tastes. Many of us return to campus longing for our "go to" fashion haven. Thanks to the ever growing online consumer market, many clothing companies

(Arden B., J. Crew, Victoria's Secret, etc.) have websites that closely reflect items sold in their stores. As long as you know your size, you can't go wrong.

Another reliable option are sites like Bloomingdale's, Nordstrom, and other nationwide department stores. When purchasing, pay attention to sizing and return policies—online shopping is not a foolproof process. Most stores now have a link to descriptions of how to match your size to a brand. However, sizing is not universal so make sure to check each website's specific chart. We want that butt to leave behind the best possible impression!

Online shopping can also provide the opportunity for purchasing designer apparel at bargain prices. Sites such as [www.bluelify.com](http://www.bluelify.com) or eBay are great options for those with expensive tastes, but a less forgiving budget. At times you can find exactly what you want or need, but more often than not, an open mind is essential. When browsing eBay and auction sites, buyers beware. There are a few rules to follow as the purchases generally come from other individuals, not established companies. Make sure what you're buying is coming new with tags, and check out the pictures and seller ratings. Steer clear of anything sketchy or not made in the Glamorous U.S.A.—auction items from overseas are usually fake and not worth the high shipping costs to get them here.

Our best word of advice? Sleep on it. Online shopping can be particularly overwhelming so try to avoid impulsive purchases that can result in pangs of regret. If you still want the same shirt or pair of pants tomorrow, you'll be less likely to morph into an online addict running your bank account dry. Also, never, never, never online shop after a night out—you probably already made a fool of yourself earlier in the night, there's no need to shell out cash to continue the trend.

As we embark upon a new semester, the same old procrastination methods follow suit. Sure, the hunt for the perfect outfit or the best deal is exhilarating, but sooner or later you'll need to return to that banal art history reading or tedious economics problem set. However, procrastination is productive if the end result is the expansion of your gorgeous wardrobe. So before the work sets in, now is the perfect time to refine the art of online shopping.

# Sweet and Sour beers from New England breweries



by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

SAM ADAMS CHERRY WHEAT —(\$7.49 at Warming's)

Over the past five weeks, I attempted to do extensive research for this semester's column, sampling dozens of beers and vainly trying to remember what they tasted like the night before. Unfortunately, most of these beers were falsely classified as "Natural," "Best," or "Ice," leaving my palate feeling as awful as my headaches. Luckily, I was turned on to Sam Adams's fruity Cherry Wheat, an ale that packs in enough

sweetness to rival a mild Smirnoff Ice or a strong summer lager. The first characteristic that struck me was the smell—a strong whiff of a freshly opened bottle reminded me of a juvenile addiction to Jolly Ranchers I once had, an evil, yet wonderfully-crafted fruit candy. This beer also has a relatively light orange color, but lacks any of the strong red hues I would have expected. I would classify this beer as one to be saved for dessert or après ski, unless of course you dislike fruity beers all together and suddenly realize you should have avoided this brew in the first place. More importantly, the label is rather dull, another weak emulation of the traditional Sam Adams bottle that has Sam wearing a ridiculous looking

coat with no reference to cherries, cherry trees, or George Washington. If you enjoy fruity beers this is worth trying, more so than a blueberry or cranberry ale, but less so than an orange or banana. That is, if they made orange or banana flavored beer. My scores: Taste: 4.1 (I like sweeter beer) Label: 2.3 Benefit/Cost: 3.4 SHIPYARD CHAMBERLAIN PALE ALE—(\$12.99 for the Shipyard sampler at Hannaford)

So far, this is the first beer I have tried named after a Bowdoin alum, and thus I expected a mind-blowing drinking experience that would make me proud of this institution. Unfortunately, Josh failed to deliver

the taste I so eagerly pined for. The first strike against the beer came from the smell—I could instantly tell it was one of those beers that is trying to do too much with the flavoring, inevitably creating a cornucopia of taste that is anything but synergistic. I moved on and poured the beer into a tall pilsner glass, happy to see that the beer was a clear, amber color—a terrific look for any pale ale. The first sip revealed a taste that was interestingly similar to the blind judgment I so casually placed on the brew in the first place. Instead, it has an unusually bland body with hints of flavoring that really didn't mix well with the base of the beer. It

seemed as though the people down at Shipyard thought they could do J.L. justice with just a few ill-conceived dashes of spice. How wrong they were. The one part of this beer that I did enjoy, however, was the label. Mr. Chamberlain is given a prestigious looking profile and is colored in soft browns and deep reds, as though the label mysteriously came from his days of battle. Also, on the back of the label is a little synopsis of the legend's endeavors, although his Bowdoin exploits were unmentioned. Overall, I was rather disappointed in this beer but am still hopeful that Shipyard will begin producing the eagerly anticipated Blueberry Mills Ale. My scores: Taste: 1.7 Label: 4.0 Benefit/Cost: 2.2



# 'What To Do When You Are Dead' survives concept album pitfalls

by Lauren Napier  
CONTRIBUTOR

Many people greet a concept album with either a grunt of disgust or a sigh of relief. Some bands can pull it off, but most of the time concept albums are destined for failure. The idea of a concept album is a brilliant one—all songs are connected and comprise a unified narrative—in comparison to the more mainstream organizational method of albums with no thematic consistency.

Armor for Sleep has successfully, with some debate, released a concept album, "What To Do When You Are Dead." This album follows their first release, "Dream to Make Believe," which listeners did not receive with much enthusiasm. The band was regarded as a stereotypical emo-rock group, donning too-tight pants and wailing away maudlin songs on their guitars.

"What To Do When You Are Dead" reveals Armor For Sleep as the independent thinking band that it is. Each song can be enjoyed individually, but the story comes together when the album is listened to from beginning to end. The lyrics tell the story of a character who dies and experiences the afterlife but later comes back to the land of the living as a ghost-like apparition. The concepts are not deeply emotional or philosophical, but have a relevant focus on death and what lies beyond.

The album's narrative isn't nearly

as structured as that of The Who's "Tommy," the birth of the rock-opera concept album. So listeners who don't wish to involve their brains and just want to rock out to the tunes won't be wholly disappointed. There's also not a set concept within the storyline. Granted, death plays a large part but the concept and "moral" is left open-ended and the album grants a more personal experience to everyone who allows the music to invade their headphones.

The album has many strong points beyond that of its concept and story-telling abilities. Armor for Sleep has provided delightfully guitar-driven emo-punk and eye-opening, ponder-worthy lyrics in the past. Consider the following line from their first album's opening track, "Dream to make Believe": "I wake up and think dreams are real / I sleep so I don't have to feel." Sleep can be a form of escape but within this song sleep is interchangeable with death, a notion that many listeners have not previously considered.

Armor For Sleep has defined itself as a band to watch in the 2006, wielding a musical style that can add something positive and unique to the scene. The band has rejected the emo-pop that reeks of broken hearts, slit wrists, and jealousy-haunted individuals, and embraced something in which a listener devoid of teen angst would be interested. They have fulfilled their necessary requirement of artistic growth and

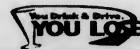



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# SPORTS

## Basketball dominates Colby

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

After home wins against Ithaca, Husson, University of Maine-Farmington, and Emmanuel, the women's basketball team suffered a surprising loss to Bates College on January 13 in the Polar Bears' first official NESCAC match-up of the season.

"We had a bad scoring percentage," explained co-captain Vanessa Russell '06. "We usually beat Bates and could have beat them that night, but we weren't making shots. The other team was really on top of their game, and they were capitalizing on their free throw opportunities."

The Polar Bears only managed to make about 40 percent of their floor shots and 12 percent of their three-pointers. The game ended with a low score of 56-51 in favor of the Bobcats.

The women went on to beat Tufts the following afternoon with an impressive score of 73-56. Tufts is a NESCAC contender, so the victory was especially important for the Bears. Eileen Flaherty '07 scored a team-high 24 points and the team's scoring percentage shot back up to the usual 50 per-

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Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior standout Justine Pouravelis takes a shot during practice this week.

## Men's hockey team ties two games

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

The men's hockey team surprised Colby in an epic comeback in the Polar Bears' last home game of 2005. With just three minutes remaining,

Greg McConnell '07 scored off a rebound to secure Bowdoin's 7-6 victory over the Mules, which capped off the team's two-game sweep over the Mules.

For McConnell scoring the game-winning goal at home was especially

sweet. "To sweep Colby was great, but to do it the way we did it, in front of all of our home fans made it a special night for all of us," he said.

These two victories lifted the

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Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The men's ice hockey team scrimmages during a practice. The team played eight games over winter break.

## Community mourns passing of Phil Soule

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin community learned of the passing of Phil Soule, a well-known presence in the athletic department, over winter break in a statement issued by President Barry Mills.

Soule, after an exceptional athletic career in high school and at the University of Maine, joined the Bowdoin coaching staff in 1967 as an offensive line coach.

He served the football team admirably for 39 years, and

coached both offensive linemen and the defensive line during his tenure. Throughout his career, Soule also served as the head coach for the wrestling, baseball, and squash teams, and was assistant lacrosse coach.

Soule will be remembered for his devotion to Bowdoin sports, his love of the Maine outdoors, and the wisdom and advice he bestowed upon countless players, students and coaches who were fortunate enough to work with him.

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## Men's basketball team begins NESCAC play

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

The men's basketball team captured five victories over break.

The team defeated University of Maine-Farmington 84-71, Plymouth State 74-68, Tufts 84-70, Husson 80-74, and Colby 62-47. They lost to St. Anselm 97-71 and Bates 57-54.

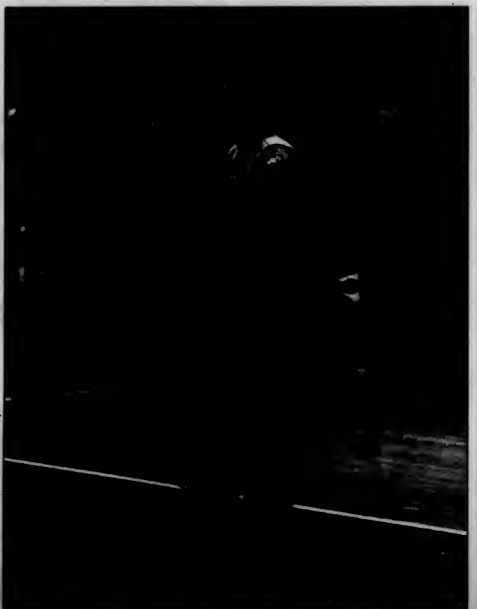
The Polar Bears gained the victory over Husson during overtime. Kyle Petrie '06 scored 25 points, five of which he scored during overtime.

Sophomore Andrew Hippert scored 15 points and Kevin Bradley '07 finished with 10 points.

During the game against Colby, Petrie scored 16 points, Andrew Sargeantson '08 scored 15 points, and Hippert scored 10 points.

Bowdoin's victory against Colby moved the team up to 11-5 (2-1 NESCAC).

The Polar Bears will face Amherst at 7:00 p.m. tonight at Amherst and Trinity on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. at Trinity.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Nick Ordway works on his form during practice on Wednesday.

# Squash defeats Colby

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
CONTRIBUTOR

Both the men's and women's squash teams enjoyed 7-2 victories over Colby on Wednesday night, continuing a successful second half of their seasons.

Notable performances came from Kate Gormley '09, who recovered from a first game loss to win her match three games to one, and from co-captain Matt Drescher '07, who had a decisive win over Colby's top player.

The Colby matches improved the men's record to 7-3 and the women's to 11-4.

Over winter break, the two teams practiced twice a day, to improve their fitness and skills.

During the January break, both teams fell to Williams (9-0 for the men and 7-2 for the women), and had mixed results with Amherst. The women defeated Amherst 7-2 while the men lost 6-3.

Williams was the first match of the season for returning juniors Dodie Press and Lydia Pillsbury, who studied in Rome and England, respectively, this fall.

This past weekend the teams traveled to the Yale Round Robin, one of the biggest squash tournaments of the year, in which each team played five matches over the course of three days.

In a grueling match on Friday night, the men defeated the Navy team 6-3, outlasting their opponents in many four-and-five-game matches. Most notable was senior Chris Metcalf's match, which drew the attention of all the spectators. The match was characterized by long rallies in which both players retrieved normally irretrievable shots, and by the high emotions of the crowd.

On Saturday, the men's team defeated Denison, Hobart, and Hamilton, 6-3, 9-0, and 8-1 respectively. On Sunday, the Bears suffered a tough loss to Franklin and Marshall, 6-3.

For the women, the weekend began with a difficult 6-3 loss to Cornell, despite wins from Press, Pillsbury, and Captain Niki Clement '06. On Saturday morning the women faced Penn and Yale, losing 9-0 and 8-1. Although the losses were a disappointment, they enjoyed the opportunity to hit with some of the nation's best players none-the-less.

The women's match against Franklin and Marshall on Sunday produced another 8-1 win for the Polar Bears.

The teams look forward to several more home matches this week, including one against Brown tomorrow, Bates on Wednesday at 6 p.m., St. Lawrence on Friday at 7:30 p.m., and Dartmouth on February 4.

## MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	W	L	T	Overall
Middlebury	11	0	0	15 0 1
Amherst	7	3	1	10 5 1
Colby	7	4	0	11 5 0
Williams	6	3	2	7 6 2
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	5	4	2	10 4 2
Hamilton	6	5	0	7 7 1
Tufts	5	5	1	8 6 2
Trinity	4	5	1	7 7 1
Wesleyan	2	6	2	3 9 2
Conn. Coll.	1	9	1	2 13 1

### SCOREBOARD

F 12/9 at Colby	W	3-2
Sa 12/10 v. Colby	W	7-5
Tu 12/27 v. Fitchburg State	W	4-2
W 12/28 at Salem State	W	7-5
F 1/6 v. St. Anselm	L	5-3
Sa 1/7 v. New England Col.	L	5-4
F 1/13 at Williams	W	5-2
Sa 1/14 at Middlebury	L	9-1
F 1/20 v. Tufts	T	2-2
Sa 1/21 v. Conn. College	T	2-2

F 1/27 at Southern Maine	7:00 P.M.
Sa 1/28 at Salem State	3:00 P.M.

## MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Sa 1/14 v. Brandeis, Colby, Southern Maine	1st of 4
Sa 1/21 at Brandeis Invitational	1st of 8

Sa 1/28 v. Tufts, Springfield, Colby, MIT	12:30 P.M.
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## WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	W	L	T	Overall
Middlebury	9	0	0	15 0 0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	7	2	0	9 5 0
Colby	6	3	0	9 4 0
Williams	5	3	1	6 7 1
Hamilton	4	6	0	7 9 0
Trinity	3	6	1	6 7 1
Conn. College	3	6	0	5 8 2
Amherst	3	6	0	6 9 0
Wesleyan	2	6	0	2 12 1

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 12/10 v. Colby	W	3-2
Tu 1/3 v. U-V Steven's Pt.	W	1-0
F 1/6 at Middlebury	L	4-2
Sa 1/7 at Williams	L	4-3
F 1/13 v. Trinity	W	7-2
Sa 1/14 v. Hamilton	W	5-0
Tu 1/17 at Southern Maine	W	11-1
F 1/20 at Conn. College	W	5-3
Sa 1/21 at Amherst	W	5-1

F 1/27 v. Williams	7:00 P.M.
Sa 1/28 v. Middlebury	3:00 P.M.
Tu 1/31 v. St. Olaf	7:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Sa 1/14 v. Brandeis	1st of 2
Sa 1/21 at Brandeis Invitational	2nd of 8

Sa 1/28 v. Tufts, Springfield, Colby, MIT	12:30 P.M.
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- Compiled by Adam Kommel. Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

School	W	L	Overall
Bates	4	0	15 2
Trinity	3	0	13 3
Williams	3	1	15 4
Amherst	2	1	14 2
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	2	1	11 5
Tufts	2	2	12 4
Middlebury	1	3	12 6
Conn. College	1	3	11 7
Colby	0	3	6 10
Wesleyan	0	4	6 10

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 12/10 at Colby	L	75-73
Tu 1/3 at St. Anselm	L	97-71
Sa 1/7 v. U Maine-Farmington	W	84-71
Su 1/8 v. Plymouth State	W	74-68
F 1/13 v. Bates	L	57-54
Sa 1/14 v. Tufts	W	84-70
M 1/16 at Husson	W	80-74
Sa 1/21 v. Colby	W	62-47

F 1/27 at Amherst	7:00 P.M.
Sa 1/28 at Trinity	3:00 P.M.
W 2/1 v. Thomas College	7:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

School	W	L	Overall
Wesleyan	4	0	12 4
Williams	3	1	12 6
Bates	3	1	16 3
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Tufts	1	3	7 9
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Sa 12/10 at Colby	W	73-51
F 12/30 v. Ithaca	W	86-40
Sa 12/31 v. Husson	W	67-36
Th 1/5 v. U Maine-Farmington	W	85-44
Sa 1/7 v. Emmanuel	W	74-53
F 1/13 at Bates	L	56-51
Sa 1/14 at Tufts	W	73-58
Sa 1/21 v. Colby	W	72-40

F 1/27 v. Amherst	7:00 P.M.
Sa 1/28 v. Trinity	2:00 P.M.
Tu 1/31 v. Bates	7:00 P.M.

## MEN'S SQUASH

Sa 1/7 v. Williams	L	9-0
W 1/11 v. Amherst	L	6-3
F 1/20 Navy (Yale RR)	W	6-3
Sa 1/21 Denison (Yale RR)	W	6-3
Sa 1/21 Hobart (Yale RR)	W	9-0
Sa 1/21 Hamilton (Yale RR)	W	8-1
Su 1/22 F & M (Yale RR)	L	6-3
W 1/25 v. Colby	W	7-2

Sa 1/28 v. Brown	3:30 P.M.
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## WOMEN'S SQUASH

Sa 1/7 v. Williams	L	9-0
W 1/11 v. Amherst	W	6-3
F 1/20 Cornell (Yale RR)	L	6-3
Sa 1/21 Penn (Yale RR)	L	6-3
Sa 1/21 Trinity (Yale RR)	L	9-0
Sa 1/21 Hamilton (Yale RR)	W	8-1
Su 1/22 F & M (Yale RR)	W	6-3
W 1/25 v. Colby	W	7-2

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## Men's hockey has chilly start to the new year

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team's spirits, went into the winter break flying high. The team took this momentum and confidence into the Salem State Holiday Classic, where the Bears won their second consecutive crown with victories over Fitchburg State and host Salem State. With these two victories, Bowdoin captured the second-longest winning streak (eight games) in Division III hockey.

Bowdoin opened the new year on a less successful note, suffering losses to St. Anselm, New England College, and Middlebury. Despite these losses, the Polar Bears have

lots to be proud of, especially their 5-2 victory over Williams, one of the fiercest teams in the NESCAC.

Unfortunately, Bowdoin is a player down after losing senior captain Adam Dann to an injury in the Williams game. Bowdoin came away from last weekend's home games with ties against Tufts and Connecticut College.

Despite his injury and the team's recent results, Dann remained optimistic about the team's prospects. "We have battled some adversity in the last few weeks and as a result the team is growing and maturing," he said.

The team will face USM and Salem State on the road.

## Basketball rebounds after losing narrowly to Bates

BASKETBALL, from page 12

cent range. Co-captain Justine Pouravelis '06, another key player, finished the game with 16 points and nine rebounds.

The Bears took their skills to Puerto Rico for their annual winter break trip, matching up with Division II contender University of Puerto Rico-Bayamon. Bowdoin handily defeated the Division II university 74-66. Pouravelis and Flaherty both chalked up 18 points and Katie

Cummings '07 hit three three-pointers.

Upon returning to Brunswick, the Bears defeated Colby, improving their home-court winning streak to 62. The Polar Bears dominated the Mules, leading by 25 points at the half. First year Jill Anelaukas scored 16 points, reinforcing her position as one of the team's top newcomers.

Bowdoin, ranked eighth in the latest Division III national poll, will face NESCAC rivals Amherst and Trinity at home this weekend.

## Track topples rivals

by Steven Bartus  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Track and Field Team emerged victorious at the Reggie Poyau Memorial Invitational last Saturday at Brandeis University. Though it is still early in the season, the men demonstrated to eight-team field that they are indeed not just a bunch of pretty faces and are fully deserving of their place as one of the New England's perennial track powers.

The Bowdoin throwers led the victorious effort, sweeping the top three positions in both the weight throw and the shot put. Senior captain Patrick Lyons notched two first place efforts, followed closely by teammates Alex Linhart '06 and Luke Fairbanks '09 in the weight as well as Jared Prichard '06 and Fairbanks in the shot.

On the track, Owen McKenna '07

dished up an attack in the mile, easily winning in 4:20.

The dynamic duo of Nathan Krah '08 and Tyler Lonsdale '08 mesmerized the cheering crowd with their dramatic first and second-place finishes in the 5000 meters. With two laps to go, the pair looked destined for defeat at the hands of their swift USM foe. However, as the bell rang for the last lap, Krah and Lonsdale proved that the race was never in doubt, running past their opponent at a blistering pace. Krah crossed the finish line first with a time of 15:26; Lonsdale followed a second later. More heroics were going on further back in the race. Junior Eric Sofen, plagued by nagging injuries, left the rest of the field in his dust, running a personal best of 15:49.

The men look to continue their success this Saturday against MIT, Tufts, Springfield, and Colby at the Farley Field House.



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Sophomore Eric Lee, a sprinter, trains for the upcoming home meet.

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# Women's ice hockey slowed by rash of recent injuries

by Anna Messerly  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Ice Hockey Team opened the season with high hopes. For the first time in recent history, the roster was filled. With 22 skaters, up from 17 rostered players the previous season, the team seemed poised for success.

However, by mid-season, the numbers had dropped to less than three lines, and the squad was down to one goalie.

"Three players are out for the rest of the season, a couple are dealing with chronic injuries, and one is recovering from a knee injury," sophomore Caroline Currie said.

Junior forward Katie Forney said, "Having a full roster allows practices to run at the highest tempo." In response to the shrinking roster, she said "Every player has had to step their game up to the next level."

Sophomore Katie Coyne echoed this sentiment, saying, "We work

hard to stay positive even when the odds are against us."

Recently, the team received even more bad news, losing starting goaltender, senior Cat MacEachern, to hip surgery as result of a nagging injury.

"Losing Cat as a mentor, friend, and teammate has been particularly hard on everyone and the goalie situation," first year Emileigh Mercer said.

Mercer replaced MacEachern and has recorded an undefeated record against conference rivals Amherst and Connecticut College.

The squad returned to campus at the end of December to prepare for eight games and build team unity before the beginning of classes. The team ventured to a BOC cabin for hiking and snowshoeing.

"Winter break was the perfect opportunity to get to know the team in a different light," Mercer said.

"We not only built our team on the ice, but off the ice as well."

The trip wasn't just for recreation. "The cabin trip gave us a chance to get away from the rink but still get a workout," first year Scooter Walsh recalled. "Because, trust me, pulling sleds full of jugs of water is one hell of a workout."

Senior captain Rebecca Selden said, "We saw what we could accomplish together in an environment where we weren't all comfortable. It was an incredible feeling to get to the top of the mountain and share that moment with my team."

Since first semester ended, the Bears have boasted an impressive 6-2 record, losing only to top-ranked Middlebury and Williams.

Over the break, the squad combined for 42 goals scored by 13 different players, beating Trinity, Connecticut College, and Amherst, in addition to UW-Stevens Point, Hamilton, and USM. This weekend, the girls take on Williams and Middlebury, the only NESCAC teams the squad has yet to defeat.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The women's ice hockey team scrimmages during practice, despite losing a few key players to injury.

## Bowdoin pays respects to Phil Soule

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"He embraced everything about Bowdoin, and everything about Maine," remembers Head Football Coach Dave Caputi. "He was a great man, and he will be missed tremendously."

Bowdoin athletes, who had the privilege of working with Soule, recalled his selflessness and no-nonsense approach on and off the gridiron.

Mike Stratton '06, a defensive lineman, worked with Soule for all four years of his Bowdoin career.

"Coach Soule brought out the best in people. He was always willing to work with players one-on-one. He would take us aside and patiently teach us the right way to do things. He always believed in doing things the right way," Stratton recalled.

Stratton also remembered Soule's concern for those he worked with.

"Coach Soule cared a great deal

about his players, and looked out for our wellbeing," he said.

Linebacker Shaun Kezer '06 remarked, "With him, it was fun. He was an old-school coach, and he used to get everyone on the team fired up, even on practice days." Kezer particularly remembered Soule's inspirational sayings like "You've got to have the blood dripping from your heart!"

Though Mills never played for Soule on a sports team, he did have Soule as a physical education teacher (when a physical fitness class was mandatory for Bowdoin students). The first day Soule met Mills in gym class, he guaranteed Mills that he would have an 18-inch neck by graduation.

Off the athletic fields, Soule lived with equal passion. With Maine as his backyard, Soule hunted, fished, dug for clams, and set lobster traps. Soule was also a national champion canoe racer and ultra marathon runner.

Caputi recalled that Soule used to joke, "Why eat a turkey when you can shoot a Canadian goose?"

Zach Hammond '07 got the opportunity to go hunting with Soule last fall.

"Phil was an extraordinary person and I am honored to have known him," Hammond said. "Phil has played the invaluable role of being my coach, both in sport and in life."

Even in his 60s, a time when many men resign themselves to rounds of golf or games of gin rummy, Soule remained active.

"Phil loved working out," remembers Defensive Coordinator Tom Radulski, who worked with Phil for six years. "Everyday in the gym around noon time, Phil would come in and run on the treadmill or lift weights."

Soule is survived by his wife Mo, his four children, and 10 grandchildren. Over 600 people gathered at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Brunswick on January 19 to com-

# Women's track and field finds success over break



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

First year Kelsey Borner practices her form for the shot put event.

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

Returning two weeks early for pre-season training, the women's indoor track team tested its progress with two meets against Brandeis. The Bears defeated the Judges in their first meet of the season 115 to 36, only to fall to them one week later 187 to 147.

In their first home meet of the season, the women demonstrated their strength by capturing multiple first-place titles with many personal bests that were good enough to qualify for post-season meets. Senior co-captain Emily Hackert, junior Louise Duffus, and first year Alison Pilon were Bowdoin's highest scorers of the meet, each taking first in two events. Pilon also contributed to the 4x200m team's second place finish. Hackert won both the 55m hurdles, and the long jump.

The throwers, led by Duffus, dominated their events, making the shot put and the weight throw two of the highest scoring events for the Bears. In the shot put, Duffus threw far enough for first, and first year Kelsey Borner took second. First years Chelsea Jackson and Shameica Binns finished third and fourth, respectively. The weight throw saw similar results with Duffus once again capturing first and Borner second.

The 3k was also a high-scoring event for the Bears with junior Kristen Brownell taking first. First years Annie Monjar and Elissa Gervais and Jamie Knight '07 were close behind. Brownell pulled a tough double, also running the mile, pulling off a second-place finish. Laura Onderko '08 took first.

Bowdoin's success continued in the other mid-distance events. Amy Ahearn '08 beat her Brandeis competitor to the finish. Senior Emily Sheffield sprinted to a first-place finish in the 1000m. In the shorter dis-

tances Jess Sokolow '09 continued the team's success with a first in the 600m. Captain Gina Campelia '07 teamed up with Pilon to dominate the 400m, taking second and first, respectively.

In the sprints, senior Ruth Jacobson took two second-place finishes in the 55m dash and the 200m. The Bears also found success in the field tests. Pilon and Jessie DePalo '08 took first and second, respectively, in the long jump. In the pole vault Becca Perry '07 took first. The triple jump increased Bowdoin's lead with a first-place finish from Molly Seward '09.

A week later in the two teams' second meeting, Brandeis took Bowdoin down a notch. Brandeis won the meet 187-147. The women's highest scoring event was the 5k with Brownell and Knight taking first and second place finishes. Duffus posted the most points for Bowdoin again with first places in the shot put and weight throw. Emily Sheffield '06 captured one more first for Bowdoin in the 800m. Bowdoin's relays contributed to Bowdoin's total with a first place finish from the Distance Medley Relay team of Gervais, Campelia, Courtney Eustace '08, and Onderko. The 4x800m team of Onderko, Ahearn, Schickner, and Sokolow captured another first. The final 4x400m relay of Chase, Sheffield, Campelia, and Pilon took second.

Bowdoin will play host to MIT, Tufts, and Springfield this Saturday at noon.

### CORRECTION

In the December 9 issue of the Orient, writer Mario N. López misquoted men's basketball player Jordan Fliegel. The printed remarks were a misrepresentation of what Fliegel actually said. The Orient regrets the error.

# THE BOWDOIN ORIENT

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## Conducting academic affairs

We congratulate Cristle Collins Judd on her appointment as our next dean of academic affairs. When she begins at Bowdoin in July, she will inherit one of the best academic programs in the country, but her job will not be an easy one. There will be several different constituencies to please, and budget constraints, among other things, will necessitate that she make tough choices about Bowdoin's academic priorities. Certain concerns by students about the academic program stand out, and we hope the following issues will be high on Judd's agenda.

First, ask any Bowdoin student what his primary academic complaint is and his answer will likely be his inability to get into the classes that he wants. Bowdoin values letting students design their own academic course load, but too often students are unable to take the classes they decide are best for them. Some departments are worse than others in this regard. Government, the department with the most majors on campus, for instance, is notorious for how quickly its classes fill up, while many classes in some other departments are half empty after enrollment. A new challenge will be shifting the course offerings to better fit the new distribution requirements passed by the faculty; almost nothing is more irritating than not being able to get into introductory classes needed to fulfill the College's requirements.

Judd must also make faculty diversity one of her top priorities. For instance, as the Orient reported last semester, of Bowdoin's over 150 faculty members, only three are black. When compared in this regard to other elite liberal arts colleges, Bowdoin is at the bottom. Having a diverse faculty is not only important academically; it is necessary as Bowdoin continues its effort to diversify its student body. An active commitment to recruiting qualified minority faculty would result in a great service to the Bowdoin community.

On another note, keeping gifted faculty at Bowdoin is vital to Bowdoin's commitment to students to provide an opportunity for intellectual growth. For a student, the loss of a talented faculty member with whom he has developed a working relationship can be both frustrating and discouraging.

Most important, quality teaching must be maintained as the cornerstone of a Bowdoin education. The dean of academic affairs must ensure that learning in the classroom is both rigorous and engaging. Efforts to work with faculty on their teaching skills should be continued and emphasized, perhaps most importantly with tenured faculty, who occasionally succumb to the comfort of job security and fail to make that extra effort to connect with students.

We encourage Judd to keep an open dialogue with the student body about these and other issues, and are confident her leadership will help Bowdoin continue to climb closer to its outstanding academic potential.

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## Republicans impose ideology

by Frank Chi  
CONTRIBUTOR

In the past few years, Republicans have given conservatism a new paint-job by providing archaic, backward policies with a modern twist. Social Darwinism is now "trickle-down economics" and creationism is now "intelligent design."

In light of this recent pattern comes a new theory of "academic freedom." Proponents of the "academic bill of rights" frequently lament the discrimination against conservatives in college classrooms. They criticize departments such as African-American studies and women's studies by claiming that they promote a liberal bias.

As a result, right-wing activists masquerading as non-partisans have begun a nationwide effort to curtail what they see as "bias" in the classroom by coercing colleges and universities to consider political ideology when hiring professors. The Republican "academic bill of rights" has been rewritten and ignored over and over again here at Bowdoin, but efforts are beginning again this semester, championed by the leaders of the Bowdoin College Republicans.

Nationally, Republicans have perfected this method of scaring Americans with issues that offer no threat. They've scared a scientific

country into thinking that they're not good Christians because they doubt the world was created in seven days. They've scared a country of Christians into thinking that there's a war on Christmas, and now they're scaring a majority of those in academia into thinking that they suddenly need to think twice about what they say. Supposedly, liberal Jews, African-Americans and lesbian feminists have ransacked the canons of academic ethics by indoctrinating students with liberalism that is obviously taking the country's leadership by storm.

In all honesty, who are we kidding? Many of the programs that Republicans seek to dismantle are liberal in nature because they are the result of those who broke the grip of conservatism during the 1960s. If it were not for our country's struggle for civil rights, feminism, and new schools of thought that unshackled the minds of countless Americans previously discriminated against by an aged oppression, these academic programs would not exist. Non-Eurocentric courses such as African-American and Hispanic studies are the product of those who toiled to awaken America to the realities of racial inequality. Women's studies are a legacy to pioneers such as Gloria Steinem and Betty Friedan who dared to walk beyond the rigid expectations of women. These

courses are liberal in nature because they questioned previously unchallenged ideas in the academic and social arena.

Those who make claims of a liberal bias in academia do not seek an equal footing for rigorous discourse. Rather, they seek to return academia to a time when these "fringe" elements did not exist on campus. Their true intentions would see to it that women's studies became "Nancy Reagan's lessons on how to gaze adoringly at one's husband." Gay and lesbian studies would be "How to stay in the closet so you can all remain God's children." And African-American studies? Who would ever dare speak of such blasphemy? Segregation would still be the law of the land.

It's apparent that while the Republican Party disputes all forms of affirmative action whatsoever, they wouldn't mind some for themselves. While minorities seek it based upon legitimate, inherent injustice, Republicans seek it for their conservative agenda. It seems as if in order to achieve their goals, Republicans are conveniently willing to abandon their "pull yourself up by your own bootstraps" principles just so they can force their ideology onto others.

Academic freedom? Sounds like academic McCarthyism to me.

Frank Chi '07 is co-president of the Bowdoin College Democrats.

## STUDENT SPEAK

### What was the highlight of your winter break?



Carlos West '09

"I bought the little yellow house on the corner, got married, and had two kids."



Jackie Li '09

"I shared a mineral bath in a spa with an old naked lady."



Kris Koch '09

"I saw my best friend's butt cheeks covered in ma.yonnaise."



Joanna Sese '08

"I was kissed by a pirate."

# The Weekly Calendar

## January 27-February 2

### Friday

#### Common Hour

Aviva Briefel, assistant professor of English, will give a lecture entitled, "What Some Ghosts Don't Know: The Horror Film and its Secrets," about how horror movies can help us to become more critical readers of literary works.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
12:30 p.m.

#### Mozart Birthday Concert

Several Bowdoin faculty members and one Bates College faculty member will perform in a concert to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Mozart's birthday. Nine of Mozart's works will be performed, as well as one piece by Dominick Argento.

Bowdoin Chapel, 4 p.m.

#### Art Show

The Brunswick-Trinidad Sister City Association and Bowdoin and Bates colleges are displaying the artwork of Trinidad-based Elio Vilva, who researches and paints African themes. This reception will kick off the exhibit.

Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union,  
4-7 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

An icicle adorns a tree across from the Walker Art Museum.

### Saturday

#### Jazz Concert

Guitarist Gary Wittner and tuba player Howard Johnson will play jazz standards by Thelonius Monk and their own original jazz compositions.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 3 p.m.

### Monday

#### Noontime Pilates

Sign up in the main athletic department office to participate in a pilate class led by Kelly McCann Sewall.

Colbath Room, Morrell Gym,  
12-1 p.m.

### Sunday

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

#### Art Exhibit

"This Extraordinary Paradise: Living in Northwest Greenland" is focused on life in Greenland.

Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum,  
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Activities Fair

Student organizations will answer questions and offer a place to sign up for activities.

Morrell Lounge Moulton Union,  
6-8 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Community Lecture Series

June A. Vail, professor of dance, presents "Dancing With Bowdoin... 35 Years."

Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

#### Ars Antiqua

A collection on exhibit of ancient art from Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia, Greece, Rome and Cyprus.

Susan Dwight Bliss Room,  
Hubbard Hall, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Faculty Seminar Talk

Sara Dickey, professor of anthropology and sociology, presents "The Potential Nurturer: Political Meanings of an Indian Film Star Two Decades After His Death."

Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
12-1 p.m.

#### Communion

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to an Episcopal communion service led by Edie and Gil Birney.

South Private Dining Room,  
Moulton Union, 12-1 p.m.

#### Poetry Reading

Russian poet Ilya Kaminsky gives a public reading of his poetry.

Kaminsky is also a co-founder of Poets for Peace.  
MacMillan House, 7:30 p.m.



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A snowman sits in front of a house on Maple Street in Brunswick.





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## Bowdoin community mourns loss of King '07



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

King celebrates with a teammate after winning the NESCAC against Williams College this fall. According to her coach, King was the "ultimate team player."

by Beth Kowitt  
ORIENT STAFF

Bus loads of students will head to Lowell, Massachusetts, today and Saturday to mourn the loss of Bowdoin junior Taryn King, who died last Thursday while studying away for the semester in Ireland.

According to Athletic Department Administrative Secretary Debbie Miller, about 90 people will be using the bus services provided, while others will drive themselves to the visiting hours and funeral.

King, 21, who grew up in Georgetown, Massachusetts, and had been attending a Butler University program at the National University of Ireland in Galway since January 3, died of a "sudden illness," according to Dean of

Student Affairs Craig Bradley. The University of Galway's Registrar and Deputy President Michael Kavanagh said one doctor described it as "an overwhelming infection."

According to Kavanagh, King took ill at about 9 a.m. local time on January 26. Her roommates, who had been taking care of her, grew concerned and reported King's status to the management of student accommodations at about 11 a.m., Kavanagh said. A member of the management went to the apartment and decided to call for an ambulance, which arrived about 10 minutes later. King died later that day at University College Hospital Galway, Kavanagh said.

"In an environment that is so

vibrant, vital, and so much about growth, relationships, and community, to have someone die, to have someone taken from us in this way just shocks us," said Bradley. Bradley said he would be driving to today's funeral with President Barry Mills.

After King's closest friends, including those studying abroad, were informed of her death, Bradley said over 300 students met for an impromptu gathering last Thursday evening at the Chapel.

"There was a sense that we needed to get people together," said Bradley. "It wasn't a memorial service, but a chance for people to get together and reflect."

"It was a wonderful, spontaneous

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## Plan would close two schools near campus

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

A contentious proposal to reorganize the Brunswick elementary school system would give the residents of Howard Hall a chance to sleep in on school days.

The proposal, drafted by Brunswick's superintendent James Ashe, would create a new intermediate school for children in grades three through five, close two of the four current elementary schools—including Longfellow Elementary, which sits directly behind Howard Hall—and leave the other two operating for kindergarten through second grade.

Associate Professor of Government and Asian Studies Henry Laurence is concerned with certain aspects of the proposal, and said that changes to the school system could impact the College.

"A big attraction for coming to Bowdoin for professors is the excellence of the elementary schools," Laurence said. "Private school is not an option for a lot of Bowdoin professors. A lot of professors are concerned that this current proposal will sacrifice educational quality and that's bad news for Bowdoin."

Ashe's proposal comes at a time when some residents are unhappy about what they perceive to be inequities in the elementary school system.

"Some people feel that there are some inequities," said Bob Morrison, an at-large member of the Brunswick school board. "Such as, certain schools have the children who might be in the special education program and others don't because of building issues that don't

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## Endowment growth above par

by James Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

Despite missing the boat on Google, the rate of return on Bowdoin's endowment last year far exceeded the average return of the 746 schools that participated in this year's survey by the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO).

The survey, issued in late January, reported an average investment return of 9.3 percent for the 2005 fiscal year. According to Vice President for Investments Paula Volent, Bowdoin's rate of return was 13.6 percent.

Volent was pleased by Bowdoin's performance.

"For our peer group we did exceedingly well," she said.

Volent explained that natural resources, emerging markets, and internet powerhouse Google were the three primary drivers of collegiate

endowment performance this year. While she said the College had good exposure to oil and gas as well as emerging markets such as South Korea and India, Bowdoin had no venture capital money in Google, which has made significant gains since its initial public offering in 2004.

Volent attributed the College's growth to success in picking talented fund managers to invest with.

"We don't invest in stocks and bonds here, we invest in managers. Everything that Bowdoin invests in is run by external managers who are experts in their fields," Volent said.

"My job is to do tons of research on the big picture, on what the opportunities are like, and where are there inefficiencies where Bowdoin can come

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## Security confiscates contraband over break

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

The Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security confiscated a pellet gun and a stolen construction sign from the room of a Coles Tower resident over Winter Break. They discovered the pellet gun, which is banned under the College's firearms policy, and the sign, which was stolen from a construction site on campus, during a sweep of all dorm rooms that were supposed to be vacant during the break.

Security reported the policy breach to the Office of the Dean of

Student Affairs. Dean Craig Bradley would not comment on the name of the student who was implicated in the violation.

Security conducts these sweeps in conjunction with the Office of Residential Life at the beginning of each break to make sure that all doors and windows are secure, candles are extinguished, and safety hazards are neutralized.

Director of Bowdoin Safety and Security Randy Nichols estimated that officers spent between 30 and 40

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## BSG endorses formation of new Academic Bias Incident Group

Academic Bill of Rights  
rejected in vote

by Cati Mitchell  
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After several months of debate, Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) narrowly passed, 12-10, a resolution proposing the creation of an Academic Bias Incident Group, which would respond to allegations of academic bias on campus.

The statement, called the "Declarative Statement Endorsing the Principles of Academic Freedom," was originally a section of the Academic Bill of Rights proposed by Alex Linhart '06. Although the larger bill failed in BSG with only Linhart's vote in favor, many members felt it was important to create an outlet for students who believe they have been discriminated against in the classroom.

Ninety-eight Bowdoin students

said that they have felt discriminated against in an academic setting because of their political, religious, or sexual beliefs, according to an unscientific, self-selecting survey of 649 Bowdoin students distributed by BSG.

"I am incredibly happy that we have voted to endorse the [statement]," Linhart said. "Finally students who feel that they have been discriminated against have a mechanism that they can turn to seek relief."

The proposed group would be created by the college administration and be chaired by the dean of academic affairs. It would be made up of at least two students.

At press time, it was unclear whether the administration would support the proposal.

Vice President of BSG Affairs

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## Af-Am dinner warms the body and soul



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The African-American Society sponsored a soul food dinner Thursday night.

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allow those kids to be housed there just because of space," he said. Morrison also said some residents felt that students of similar socioeconomic status might be clustered in some schools.

The new school would hold approximately 622 students by the year 2010, and would alleviate some of the problems with Brunswick's current system. Students enrolled in special education programs would be equally distributed throughout the three schools; each school would have space for physical education, art, and music programs; and parking facilities would be improved.

While Ashe said that his proposal is intended to alleviate some of the concerns that Brunswick parents had raised with the current school system, others feel that it might create new ones.

According to Assistant Professor and Chair of the Department of Education Charles Dorn, most research in the area of school sizes suggests that students will perform better in elementary schools of less than 500 students. While this does not mean that the new school could not be successful, the proposal does appear to be moving in the wrong direction in terms of size, Dorn said.

When asked about issues of size, Ashe defended his proposal.

## Some students unaware of routine security searches over winter break

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seconds in each room.

Nichols stressed that security officers are explicitly instructed not to search dorm rooms for contraband items. There is specific protocol in place for searches that requires that security officers acquire special, documented permission from the Office of Residential Life before searching a student residence.

"I authorize very few searches per year and am very careful with how my colleagues and I use the authority," Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli said.

"The only time something would be seized would be if it were in plain view and is a clear violation of College policy," Nichols said.

According to Nichols, the pellet gun and construction signs fell into that category.

Appendix A.11 in the student handbook stipulates that "a resident's room, suite, or apartment or possessions on campus will not be searched by college authorities unless there is sufficient reason to believe that a resident is using his/her assigned space for purposes which may be in violation of Federal, State or local law, or of College regulations."

Without a signed document from the Office of Residential Life, security needs verbal permission from the student in order to search a residence.

Such was the case this year when security requested to search a student's room based on suspicion that the student might be keeping stolen items there. The student consented, and officers found a stolen laptop computer.

Residential Life Operations Manager Lisa Rendall attached a housing information notice to an email addressed to all Bowdoin students just before the end of classes, informing students of Residential Life's operations schedule and procedures for the vacation period. The notice mentions that "Facilities

"A lot of that research that keeps getting alluded to, a lot of it tends more to be around high school settings than elementary schools, because elementary school is still 18 to 20 kids in a room with a teacher," Ashe said. Ashe added that in larger elementary schools such as the one that is being proposed, the facility is usually organized into separate wings to create a more intimate feel.

Another question raised was whether the College would be interested in acquiring the Longfellow Elementary School property, located behind Thorne Hall, if it were vacated.

"The College believes that the community needs to work through this and make a decision and we have no plans [to acquire the property] at all, whatever, none," Senior Vice President for Planning and Administration and Chief Development Officer William Torrey said.

"It wouldn't be appropriate to say that we'd be interested if these properties came on the market because they're not on the market. We believe very strongly that the community needs to do the right thing with their school system and that's it," he said.

According to the Brunswick Times Record, the school system's final decision on the plan will not be made for up to a year.

Management and Security Staff may enter student rooms over break to secure buildings."

Despite this notification, a number of students were unaware that security personnel would be entering their rooms over the break.

Tommy Lakin '07 did not recall that a notice had been issued.

"I actually didn't know that they [entered my room], so that bothers me," he said.

Junior Mike Terry said he knew about the security sweeps, but only by word of mouth.

"I remember hiding [liquor] handles under someone's bed freshman year," he said.

However, Pacelli believes that students are sufficiently notified about the routine security entries.

"I do believe that we notify students adequately about the routine building maintenance and security checks that occur during break periods," Pacelli said.

"In fact, we added this information to the break housing information this past year because it hadn't been included in past years and we were trying to get the word out to students," she said.

Nichols said that aside from confiscating the pellet gun and construction sign, the sweep went smoothly.

"Students did a great job of following the guidelines," he said.

## Market value of College's endowment was \$578 million at the end of the fiscal year

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in. I'll try to find the smartest managers that really know what they are doing, that are aligned with our incentives," she said.

The market value of Bowdoin's endowment at the conclusion of the fiscal year, ending June 30, was \$578 million, up from \$514 million the previous year. This \$64 million, or 12.4 percent, increase resulted from investment

## Student death devastates Bowdoin community

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outpouring of students needing to express their immediate sadness, shock, and grief," said Director of Counseling Services Bernie Hershberger. "It was a very emotionally moving service."

King's sudden death also shook the Galway campus, which had a mass for King on Sunday attended by hundreds, said Kavanagh, who is flying to Boston today to attend the funeral.

"I feel like Taryn was also one of our students," Kavanagh said. "What was remarkable was that even though she was only here three weeks, she seems to have been very well-known and very well-liked."

This is no surprise considering the impression she left on the Bowdoin community.

"She just had the whole package," said Head Field Hockey Coach Nicky Pearson, who worked closely with King for five seasons in lacrosse as well as field hockey. "She just touched so many people on this campus. She was larger than life. Her positive outlook was just contagious. She was just the ultimate team player."

Even though King, a three-year starter, received First-Team All-American honors from the National Field Hockey Coaches Association this season for what Pearson called her "huge, absolutely crucial role," teammates described her as incredibly humble.

"One of the things I always admired and respected about Taryn was her humility in every aspect of her life, both athletically and personally," teammate Christi Gannon '06 said. "Personal accolades really weren't what she was about. She would shy away from all of the praise that people would give her."

"Taryn was an outgoing girl, who was also humble. She had a perfect mix of those two attributes, something you don't find very often in a person," said Burgess LePage '07, one of King's teammates and closest friends. "She was confident but also willing to try things that she knew she wouldn't be the best at." LePage, who has been studying in Grenoble, France, for the semester, is returning to the United States along with at least six other Bowdoin students who are abroad to attend the funeral.

According to Pearson, King's skill and humility were "just part of the parcel." All of King's teammates admired her as a role model and leader.

"She never got frustrated with you. She was always encouraging. I was a senior and older than her, but I looked up to her," teammate Abby Daley '06 said. "She could have been outstanding on her skill and hustle

alone. But she always had heart and she never gave up."

Teammate Margaret Gormley '06 expressed similar sentiments.

"Taryn had the ability to command the respect of her teammates without having to do anything other than be herself," she said. "I always looked up to Taryn, more than I have anyone else, and certainly more than anyone younger than myself."

Sophomore Val Young said, "Taryn was the kind of teammate you were glad you had and wanted to

King carried her spark beyond athletics, where she applied the same enthusiasm to all aspects of her life.

"She had this fire and spunk, and you knew it was genuine, which is the most important thing," said Bowdoin Student Government President DeRay McKesson '07, who had worked with King on multiple projects.

Assistant Professor of Psychology Sam Putnam, King's academic adviser, noted a similar drive in her academic work.

"The thing that

impressed me most about Taryn was that she had no fear in class," Putnam said of the psychology major and education minor. "She was immediately willing to jump into discussion but also to take it in new directions."

Putnam, who worked on a term paper with King last semester on the idea that certain sports could alter one's

Burgess LePage '07

*"Taryn has that kind of energy. You see her, even from afar, and have the unexplainable urge to want to be close to her. She has a smile that reminds you of home, no matter where home may be. After talking to her for only a few minutes you can feel as if you've always known her."*

feeling regarding aggression, said that King never seemed that she was trying to be anything but herself.

"She was concerned about writing a good paper for herself and getting the most out of it rather than what was going to get her a good grade," said Putnam, who also noted he was interviewed by The Boston Globe for an article on King expected to go to print today or Saturday.

In response to the loss, the Class of 2007 has compiled a memory book to give to the King family, and Bradley said the class is thinking of establishing some kind of memorial out by the field hockey field that would be dedicated in the fall.

Bradley also said a memorial service on campus at a time that works for the King family would be arranged.

"Those of us who were close to Taryn have really been leaning on each other and spending a significant amount of our free time together," said Donoghue.

Pearson said the field hockey team has been having dinner together, sharing stories, and attending teammates' matches and games to show support.

"She had a tireless, determined and motivated approach coupled with true commitment to her teammates," Pearson said. "However, what really set her apart is that considering all the awards, records, and achievements she was without doubt the most humble and modest player I have coached. I am honored and will be forever grateful for the opportunity to know and coach Taryn King."

Visiting hours for King will be held today from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the O'Donnell Funeral Home in Lowell, Massachusetts. The funeral Mass will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Church, also in Lowell.

"She had so much energy and vibrancy. She could laugh through her tears and make the best out of anything," teammate Taylor White '07 said. "She had an uncanny ability to pick up her pieces, make sense of it all, and move on."

King had decided to take the season off to study away.

"Like anything, deciding to go abroad was a tough decision," said lacrosse teammate Kate Donoghue '07. "Taryn felt bad and sorry that she had decided to leave the lacrosse team for a season, but knew that traveling to Ireland was where her heart desired to be during her junior spring semester."

returns, \$11.8 million in gifts, and deductions to support the College's budget.

The College's endowment per student ended the year at \$346,024. This number bested the approximate \$290,000 average among 13 peer colleges, Volent said.

The total value of the endowment has more than doubled in the last decade since it totaled \$223 million in 1995.

The endowment contributed \$21.4

million to educational spending, providing 22.5 percent of the College's \$96 million budget. Bowdoin's endowment spending rule requires that five percent of the endowment's three-year average value be put towards educational spending each year. The rule is designed to provide relatively consistent revenue to the budget in spite of yearly market fluctuations.

Yale University led with a 22.3 percent rate of return on its endowment.

Volent, who received her master's in business administration from Yale, was a senior associate at the Yale Investments Office before coming to Bowdoin.

Harvard's endowment remained the largest, totaling more than \$25 billion.

Other Maine schools fell short of Bowdoin's investment assets. Colby College boasted an endowment of \$424 million, while Bates College ended the year at \$208 million.

# Students see textbook prices rise at twice the inflation rate

Professors lend their personal copies, request older editions, make possible

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

It's the start of a new semester, and time for students to file into Moore Hall, wait in long lines, shuffle through stacks of books, and write a check to the Bowdoin Bookstore.

However, the dollar amount that's been appearing on the check has increasingly become a problem for many Bowdoin students.

As Khalil Sharif '06 stepped up to the counter to purchase materials for the spring semester, he was treated to a bill of \$520. He is only taking three classes.

According to the National Association of College Stores, textbook prices have been rising at twice the rate of inflation for the past 20 years and almost 60 percent of students are choosing to refrain from buying all the materials for all their courses.

Refraining from getting all the books is not always voluntary either.

"My credit account had a limit. I couldn't buy all my books," Sharif said.

Associate Professor of Physics and Astronomy Thomas Baumgarte said, "I'm shocked at some of the prices."

Many teachers, in response to the prices, have been actively trying to take some of the weight off students.

"I usually put all the books on reserve at the library, especially if they're expensive," Assistant Professor of English Avira Briefel said.

"I [also] try to go with less expensive editions when possible," she said.

One resource that many professors have started to utilize is the library's e-reserve system for articles. On this system, students can download the course readings at their own computer, and the library takes care of copyright costs. However, some professors still require packets of articles that students must buy at the bookstore.

According to Course Materials and General Books Manager Michael Tucker, "If a course packet reading is available as an electronic article that already exists in the library's collection, we encourage faculty members to use the e-reserve system instead of including them in the printed course packet."

"If a faculty member wishes to use an article that is not in the library's collection, then the bookstore must obtain copyright permission themselves and pay any applicable royalties and fees," he said.



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A number of students opted not to buy their courses' textbooks this spring.

Lucky students in Visiting Instructor of Government Gerald DiGiusto's International Organizations class do not have to buy any course materials this semester because all of the readings are available on e-reserve.

Some professors have taken the next step in terms of addressing the increasing costs of textbooks—they give them to their students themselves. One of

textbooks with supplemental materials [have risen prices]," he added.

According to Tucker, the bookstore has observed the sharply rising costs for years and has been working on ways to lower prices. The method used most frequently by the bookstore has been raising the availability of used books to the students.

"With faculty help, 60 percent of the books on our shelves at the beginning of last semester were used books. The national average is below 25 percent," Tucker said.

However, despite the increased availability, many students still feel the burden.

One first year who wished to remain anonymous knows 10 students in his chemistry class, in addition to himself, who have not bought books and do not intend to.

"It costs \$130," he said, "I'm not going to spend that on one book."

This student felt especially cheated by the textbook industry, noting, "I bought books for all my classes first semester. I didn't even open half of them. Now I'm cutting back on my production."

Despite the discouragement that some are feeling, the Textbook Annex is striving to help. "We are constantly trying to find ways to save students money," Tucker said.

Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) is also looking to give students a chance to shop around for lower-priced books ahead of each semester so they do not have to rely on buying them at the annex.

"We're working with the textbook annex to get the required course materials listed online for the start of the next semester," BSG Representative for the Class of 2007 Catrina Cartagena said.

"This is something both BSG and the annex are very excited about," she said.

## BSG looks to ensure academic freedom

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Dustin Brooks '08 noted, "The test will be for the BSG Affairs Committee to develop a model with the dean of academic affairs office that is effective and not inflammatory."

Not all members of BSG endorsed the statement. Some argued that the College already has safeguards against academic bias and avenues for reporting it, while others felt that the wording of the statement was too vague.

"The creation of such a group skirts around the issue of academic freedom at Bowdoin," Vice President of Academic Affairs Shrinidi Mani '06 said.

"Academic freedom of students should be protected; however, creating a group with such a title can be inherently dangerous and detrimental to our learning environment here at Bowdoin if its purpose is not clearly and concisely stated," she added.

BSG writes in the statement, "We... believe it to be essential that a plurality of viewpoints are exposed, and welcomed, on campus. Freedom to express one's own views without fear of discrimination, recrimination, or other types of bias is one of the pillars of an Academic institution."

### TO ENDORSE THE CREATION OF AN ACADEMIC BILL OF RIGHTS

(1-19-4)	Emily Goodridge '08
For:	Kristen Gunther '09
Alex Linhart '06	Ben LeMay '08
Against:	Michael LoBiondo '06
Joseph Brazzi '06	Ted Lyons '06
Dustin Brooks '08	Shrinidi Mani '06
Kendall Brown '06	Mike McClellan '08
Catrina Cartagena '07	Sophia Seifert '09
Melinda Chiam '06	Nate Tavel '08
Eric Davis '07	Abstain:
Sam Dinning '09	Jacqueline Abrams '08
William Donahoe '08	Allison Chin '07
Molly Dorkey '06	Carolyn Chu '07
Elizabeth Gillespie '09	Andrew Edwards '09

### TO ENDORSE THE CREATION OF AN ACADEMIC BIAS INCIDENT GROUP

(12-10-2)	Against:
For:	Kendall Brown '06
Jacqueline Abrams '08	Catrina Cartagena '07
Joseph Brazzi '06	Molly Dorkey '06
Dustin Brooks '08	Elizabeth Gillespie '09
Allison Chin '07	Ben LeMay '08
Mindy Chiam '06	Michael LoBiondo '06
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Mike McClellan '08	Emily Goodridge '08

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

\*Attendance: 25/26. Absent: Ray Carta '08.

\*Clark Gascoigne '08 attended the meeting to show his continued opposition to the Academic Bill of Rights.

\*BSG unanimously approved \$3,200 for the Winter Carnival to take place February 17-18.

\*A vote to endorse the Academic Bill of Rights failed, with one member in favor, 19 opposed, and four abstaining.

\*A proposal was made to endorse the creation of an Academic Bias

Incident Group. A motion made to table the bill until next week failed, with seven votes in favor, 16 against, and one abstaining.

\*A Declarative Statement Endorsing the Principles of Academic Freedom, which would endorse the creation of an Academic Bias Incident Group, was passed with 12 in favor, 10 opposed, and two abstaining (see story, page 1).

\*\$300 was designated unanimously in support of a Bowdoin Leadership Development program.

\*A rule clarifying speaking order during debate passed with a vote of 21-1.

## Bowdoin remembers 'Benji'

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

On January 24, Bowdoin friend Edmund Benjamin died at the age of 86 while at Laurel Point Health and Rehabilitation Center in Fort Pierce. Benjamin was not a Maine native—he was born in Grenada, West Indies—and yet he spent many of his last years here, working as a security officer in the Bowdoin College Museum of Art until he retired in 1999. He was also the

manager and operator of Benji's Bar at the Stowe House in Brunswick.

"He was a great man and anyone who ever met him loved him and enjoyed him," said his niece Lynn Stevens.

"He was valued at the museum. He was known for singing and used to sing at the Stowe House after he came here from Grenada," she said.

Services will be held on February 4 at 11 a.m. at the Byrd, Young, and Prill Port St. Lucie Funeral Home.

## CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT: 1/23 TO 2/1

### Monday, January 23:

\*A lost wallet belonging to a student was turned in to Security. The student was notified.

\*Seven basketballs were reported stolen from a locked storage cabinet in Sargent Gym. The balls are believed to have been taken between Friday, January 20 and Monday, January 23. The cabinet lock had been pried. The basketballs had "Property of IM" written on them.

### Thursday, January 26:

\*Security responded to an alcohol policy violation involving several students in a second floor room at

### Moore Hall.

\*Two students who broke a window trying to gain access to The Bowdoin Orient were identified.

\*Two underage students were cited for alcohol violations at Jack Magee's Pub, Smith Union.

### Friday, January 27:

\*A student reported her silver Samsung Verizon cell phone missing from Baxter House.

\*A fire alarm at Brunswick Apartments was activated by smoke from burnt food.

### Saturday, January 28:

\*Bowdoin authorities and Brunswick Fire responded to Farley

Field House for a power outage caused by a blown transformer.

Participants and spectators of a track meet being held there were temporarily evacuated after smoke was reported when a ventilation unit overheated as a result of power fluctuations.

\*A student at Brunswick Apartments reported that her vehicle had been written on with a permanent marker.

\*A student with flu-like symptoms was transported to the hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

\*A fire alarm at the admissions building was activated by smoke

from an overheated electric motor.

\*A fire alarm at Chamberlain Hall was activated by a hot curling iron and hair spray.

### Sunday, January 29:

\*A student who grew ill due to an over-consumption of alcohol was transported to the hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

### Monday, January 30:

\*A female student reported that her jacket was stolen from a restroom at Ladd House on Friday evening, January 27. The item is an extra small, light blue Northface down jacket. The owner's name is written on the collar.

\*Students reported a suspicious middle-aged man—wearing an orange hooded jacket and riding a bicycle—near the dumpster behind MacMillan House.

### Tuesday, February 1:

\*In separate incidents, two students with medical problems were transported to the hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

\*A Brunswick Apartments resident identified the operator of a green pickup truck belonging to a Brunswick resident seen rummaging through dumpsters.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.



## Waiting to workout: fitness facilities at Bowdoin

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Bridget Keating '08 is a varsity lacrosse player who is required by her team to work out six days a week. The lacrosse workouts involve both cardiovascular exercise and strength training.

"It is literally impossible some days to get through an entire workout because the weight room is filled to capacity or there is an hour-long wait for the treadmills," Keating said. "It's really difficult to complete what's expected of us given the

facilities that we have at our disposal."

Keating believes this puts her at a disadvantage at the start of the season. "We're expected to be in the gym for a good chunk of time but the set up here makes it really challenging to be fully prepared for our seasons—especially in the winter months when running outside isn't always an option," she said.

Keating's frustrations are not unusual. There appears to be widespread dissatisfaction among Bowdoin's students with the College's fitness facilities and a general understanding that the cardiovascular and strength equipment here is not sufficient for the population it serves.

"Last semester I tried to avoid working out after 4 p.m. because that's when people would get out of class and that was the rush," said Hillary Hoffman '08, who works at the sign-in desk at Watson. "Now it seems that the period when the gym is crowded is getting bigger and bigger. I get out of class at 2:30 now and I try and come work out but I'm not able to—it just seems like [Watson] is getting more and more crowded for more hours of the day."

The long waits for machines affect more than just students.

"I'm a runner," Dean of Residential Life Kim Pacelli said, "but I don't use the facilities here because I can't guarantee that I'm going to get on a treadmill."



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Students work out at Watson Fitness Center in the Smith Union. Watson is about 4,500 square feet. Only two schools in the NESCAC have smaller main fitness centers.

There are only six treadmills at Bowdoin.

"I think we definitely need more fitness facilities," Pacelli added.

The main fitness facility at the College is the Sydney J. Watson Fitness Center in Smith Union. According to Bowdoin's web

site, Watson "contains a complete circuit of Cybex machines, an extensive array of free weight apparatus, treadmills, step machines, fitness bikes, rowing machines, cross trainers, and Nordic track exercisers."

There is also a secondary weight room upstairs at Farley

Field House and a few pieces of cardio equipment along the side of indoor track mostly used by athletes.

Are student concerns about the fitness facilities at Bowdoin unreasonable? Are the College's fitness facilities adequate for the faculty and staff of the College and the more than 1,600 students who go here, a majority of whom are athletes (varsity or otherwise)?

According to Thomas McCabe, head coach of men's lacrosse, the answer is "no."

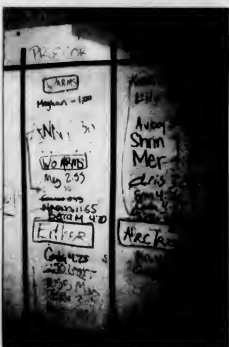
"All you have to do," McCabe said in a telephone interview with Orient, "is go in the fitness center and look around at 4:00 in the afternoon. You'll see 45 or so people in there trying to get something done. Watson's not adequate for everybody."

And McCabe would know. Not only is he the head coach of the men's lacrosse team, but he also "chaired the committee that built Watson 10 years ago." The official dedication of the fitness center took place in September of 1996.

"At the time," McCabe said, "it was the best we could do and it seemed to fill the need for a while. I just think that the student body, everybody, is so much more fitness conscious now that a lot more people are using it than did 10 years ago."

"We know there is a need," McCabe added. "All you have to do is travel around to other schools and see what kinds of things they have available."

Indeed, an Orient survey of other New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) schools found that Bowdoin's main fitness center is smaller than all but two of those at rival institutions (see chart, page 5). And of the two NESCAC



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The waiting list for machines in Watson Fitness Center.

## Examining mononucleosis concerns

Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: I just got over a mild case of mono, but haven't been cleared to play hockey. How come?—M.P.

Dear M.P.: Infectious mononucleosis is a very common illness among college students, and we're currently working our way through the third "epidemic" wave of the school year. For most students, mono lasts two to three weeks, causing a badly sore throat, painfully swollen cervical lymph nodes ("glands"), fever, and fatigue. Some get off easier, with a milder and shorter course, and some get hit harder with a debilitating illness that can drag on for months.

Mono is caused by Epstein Barr Virus (EBV), a member of the herpes virus family. EBV infects the cells which line your nose and throat, as well as B cell lymphocytes (one type of white blood cell). Viral DNA is incorporated into B cell DNA, and these transformed B cells carry the infection to other organs in your body, especially your liver and spleen.

Early childhood infection with EBV is common (pretty much the norm in the developing world), and usually results in a barely noticeable "cold." In the United States, about 30 percent of children have been infected

by age five, and another 25 percent by the end of high school. About 12 percent of susceptible college-age men and women are infected each year with EBV, and about half of them develop full-blown mono. That means that nearly one in 40 college students will come down with mono every year.

Transmission of EBV occurs through contact with infected saliva (hence mono as the "kissing disease"). The incubation period is about 30 to 45 days, and the period of communicability can be quite prolonged, with viral shedding beginning during the incubation period and persisting for a year or more after the infection has apparently resolved.

There is no cure for EBV. Fortunately, mono does not usually need to be treated. Sometimes it causes so much painful swelling of your tonsils that a brief course of steroids is necessary. Most often, treatment is supportive: rest and plenty of fluids. Mono causes inflammation of your liver, so alcohol and medications which can affect your liver (e.g. Tylenol and Accutane) must be avoided.

Back to your question, M.P. We tell all students with mono not to participate in any athletics, especially contact sports, for four weeks after diagnosis. There are two reasons for this policy.

First, exercise will likely prolong your illness and delay your recovery. To get well, and to get well as quickly as possible, you need to rest, drink those fluids, and give your body the

support it needs to fight off the infection.

Second, virtually all cases of mono involve your liver and spleen. Ultrasound studies have shown that even if swelling of your liver and spleen are not clinically discernible by physical exam, they are nonetheless present essentially 100 percent of the time. When your spleen swells, it extends down below the protection of your ribs. And although splenic rupture is a relatively rare complication of mono (maybe one in 500 cases), it can be catastrophic and sometimes fatal. Hence the rationale for avoiding any contact activities that might put you and your spleen at increased risk for trauma and rupture. This is the very same rationale behind avoiding any activities or sit-

uations that tend to increase intra-abdominal pressure—whether those be sit-ups or, for that matter, constipation.

Very fortunately, swelling of your liver and spleen resolves almost universally within four weeks. This can be confirmed by a physical exam or by an ultrasound, if necessary.

So, M.P., please try to be patient! You don't want to set yourself up for a prolonged recurrence of your illness, and you certainly don't want to take any chances on rupturing your spleen. Four weeks may seem like a very long time, but it's the least you owe yourself.

Be well!

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center



Mononucleosis is transmitted through infected saliva—this is why it is known as the "kissing disease."

# Fitness facilities prompt questions of adequacy

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schools that have smaller fitness centers than Watson, Connecticut College and Hamilton, both have finalized plans for new workout facilities.

According to Fran Shields, Connecticut College's athletic director and physical education chair, "The small size of our fitness center is something we're working on. We know it's a serious problem. We have a 7,500 square foot fitness center approved in our strategic plan—it's on the docket." Shields added that "it's worth noting that we have no football team, no baseball team, and no wrestling team."

Bowdoin has both a football and baseball team, but no wrestling team.

Hamilton College's new athletic complex, which will include a fitness center "that will be bigger

than Hamilton's current facility," will be open to students starting next fall, according to Hamilton College Sports Information Director Jim Taylor.

Bowdoin currently has no official plans for expanding the Watson Fitness Center or building a new cardio or weight room.

*There appears to be widespread dissatisfaction...with the College's fitness facilities.*

However, according to Director of Capital Projects Don Borkowski "the capital campaign that's going to be kicked off this coming fall has got a line in it for the fitness center."

The Director of Athletics Jeffery H. Ward was away from campus and not available for comment. Lynn Ruddy, associate

director of athletics, did not immediately return calls from the Orient.

Besides frustrating the fitness goals of students, some see Watson as presenting problems from an admissions perspective as well.

"Frankly, I'm embarrassed to take my tour groups past the fitness center," said one tour guide who wished to remain unnamed to protect his or her job. "There are so many fabulous things about Bowdoin. Watson Fitness Center is not one of them."

Indeed, "Watson is not a highlight of the tour and that is clear," said DeRay McKesson, assistant head tour guide for training.

"It's certainly not the biggest selling point on the tour," added McKesson, who is also the president of Bowdoin Student Government.

"I wouldn't say we look at



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The long wait for cardiovascular machines...

Watson as an individual resource." Senior Associate Dean of Admissions Logan Powell said, "but rather as a part of the broader context of athletics. When we talk about it—if we talked about it either here in the admissions office or on a tour—we would talk about it in the larger context of all of the athletic facilities and opportunities. We wouldn't mention Morrell Gym, Sargent Gym, Farley Fieldhouse, the pool, and the Lubin Family Squash Center."

Indeed, the only mention of Watson on the Bowdoin Athletic web site is a photo and caption within a virtual tour of the athletic facilities. Other NESAC schools display their fitness facilities more prominently.

Colby's web site, for example, proudly trumpets its "5,300-square foot fitness center brimming with state-of-the-art exercise machines and weights"; and Amherst's web site insists that its two-story, air-conditioned, 8,000-square foot fitness center "is widely regarded as the best such athletic facility in the NESAC." Bowdoin's web site

makes no such claims and does not include the square footage of the fitness center online.

In addition, the College prospectus includes only one mention of Watson in a list of all of Bowdoin's athletic facilities, including its rock climbing wall. According to Powell, the lack of a description or picture is mostly the result of space limitations.

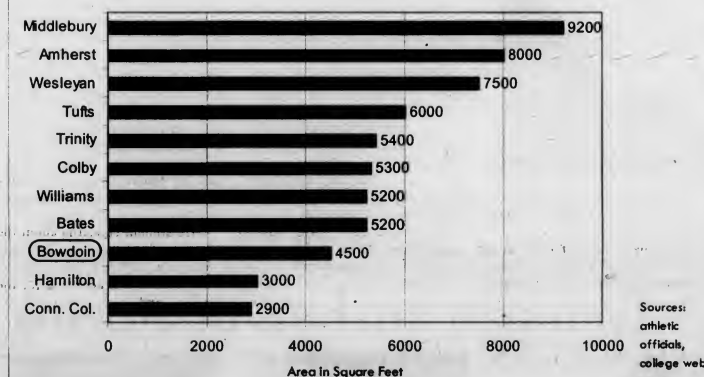
Given the fact that fundraising for a new fitness center is slated to begin this fall, it seems unlikely that new fitness facilities will be built any time soon. For now, students—and faculty and staff—seem destined to be left waiting for a treadmill.

"I just think that for a school that is so aware of promoting fitness, exercise, and having an active student body," Keating, the lacrosse player, said, "it's a shame that Bowdoin can't accommodate the lifestyle that it promotes."

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## DINNER WITH FRIENDS

The Association of Bowdoin Friends is an informal group of area residents interested in supporting the programs of the College.

In an attempt to foster more interaction and encourage friendships between students and the greater Bowdoin Community, the Association of Bowdoin Friends is continuing to offer dinner invitations to small groups of students.

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## Indefinite Article tutors students in pub



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Hip-hop group Indefinite Article, which advertises its product as "music to make your sister dance and your mother cry" and "music for people who like four-square," performed last night at Jack McGee's.

## Ladysmith to bring harmony to campus

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
STAFF WRITER

They are more than the voices chanting in "Diamonds on the Soles of Her Shoes" or "Homeless." They are more than Paul Simon's discovery and the backing vocals on his masterpiece, "Graceland." Though these songs and these connections are how many casual music listeners recognize members of Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Bowdoin students and the Brunswick community have a rare chance to witness their depth, musicality, and stage presence during a sold-out concert at Pickard on Friday at 7 p.m.

"I'm not really sure when I first heard about Ladysmith Black Mambazo," said Toby Crawford '07, co-chair of the Campus Activities Board (CAB) and co-chair of the committee that booked Ladysmith last year. "I've always loved Paul Simon's Graceland album and, at some point, made the connection that Ladysmith Black Mambazo accompanied him."

Ladysmith Black Mambazo's road to Bowdoin started last year, when a CAB committee co-chair recognized the group as one her father had played when she was a child, and she immediately began to look into bringing the group to campus. Committee co-chair Curtis Isacke '07 said, "They seem to have a

special niche. Even Bates students have contacted me for tickets, and we had to limit sales to community members so students could get a chance."

Isacke's fellow co-chair, Sandip Patel '07, agreed with Isacke's statement about the group's popularity.

"A pretty wide variety of people are excited about the show, especially people who like a cappella or gospel music. Even if they haven't heard of the group, they want to see what the hype is about."

Much of the hype comes from Ladysmith's appearance on "Graceland," when Paul Simon introduced this South African group to the world. Joseph Shabalala, the founder and musical leader of the group, consistently makes references to Simon in the group's songs as a friend and someone who helped the group become known worldwide.

Since the group burst out of South Africa, Ladysmith Black Mambazo won a Grammy for its 1987 album, "Shaka Zulu," and has performed with many other popular artists. Recently, they performed "Homeless" with Sarah McLachlan on "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno," and released "Long Walk to Freedom" at the end of January. This album includes such guest artists as

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## Tips for a romantic Valen-wines Day

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNIST

Ah February, month of the Superbowl, Olympics, Groundhog Day, Presidents Day, Black History Month and... what's that last one? Right, Valentine's Day. Rah (shakes pseudo-pom-pom apathetically). Bitter, moi? Au contraire, in the spirit of Hallmark I'm reviewing three wines for the grape-hearted, 11 days early.

RENWOOD 2003 VIOGNIER (\$11.99 at Provisions)

This is the wine equivalent of lacey bridal lingerie. This white has a decidedly floral taste to it, "very different than any white I've ever had before," says my roommate the champion of white wine drinkers, Mary, the fantastic gal who recommended it to me describes it thus: "a perfectly executed waltz." If you don't appreciate fine, delicate, spring-like notes, this is not the wine for you. If you're a botanical garden picnic-er, pack this up and bring some strawberries and marsepone to complete the day.

X WINERY "SYRAHITICA" 2003 SYRAH (\$14.99 at Provisions)

If your taste is more black bra and panties than pink baby doll, this is your wine. Beyond the incredibly sexy bottle (hint, invert for secret sexiness), the wine inside is fantastic. The flavor is definitely aimed at

a more sensitive palate. It doesn't need to breathe or a snack date. In fact, food would spoil the "mellow" taste of this red. You don't get an immediate taste reaction "it's hardly there"; but upon the second and third sips, the subtle spices and even more delicate fruit tastes surface. This California syrah is a winner; if you don't want to take my and my tasters' word for it, the San Francisco Chronicle awarded this wine a gold medal this year.

PRINCIPESSA PERLANTE 2002 (\$8.49 for the half-bottle at Black Sheep)

If come the "dreaded V-day" you're alone in your room, cursing the couple banging the boards next door, I've the ideal solution: some loud classical music and the half-bottle size of this cool semi-sparkling white. The flavor is dry and the fizzy quality gives an added dimension to the flavor (clean, crisp

and green). The bottle itself is elegant, and anyone drinking it will feel like a Cary Grant bachelor. The best part about this little bubbling miracle is the price—\$8.49. You can get one for you and one for your favorite platonic friend. If you're part of a group of dedicated anti-Valentines-ers, you can also buy full-sized bottles for slightly less than double the price of the half-bottle.

## A Freudian analysis of cinema

by Gabe Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST



"Sex is like having dinner," Woody Allen once observed in a famous stand up routine. "Sometimes you joke about the dishes, sometimes you take the meal seriously." The same goes for sex in cinema; when it comes to on-screen love, there's a fine line between the tasteful, the tasteless, and the downright tasty.

In the notable films of 2005, directors from Steven Spielberg to Allen himself slid their cameras between the sheets, making sex a character all its own, anointing it last year's most prolific star. Guided by the ruminations of our own coital comedian and featured director Woody, here is a compilation of '05's standout films and the love-scenes that defined them.

"Sex without love is an empty experience, but as empty experiences go, it's one of the best." Not just proof-positive that Woody went to college, but an insight that describes two of last year's most intriguing yet loveless pictures.

In "Jarhead," 2005's unheralded war film, director Sam Mendes laces the angst of Gulf War Marines with the froth of sexual frustration. At one point in the film, intending to watch the troop favorite "The Deer Hunter," the men stumble across footage of one soldier's wife furiously consummating an affair with her neighbor. As the platoon shrinks in disgust and anger, the scene becomes an obituary for any hope of their post-war return to normalcy. Alienated from love back home, all the soldiers can do abroad is replace the



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Among the films of 2005, "The 40 Year Old Virgin" was probably the most explicitly sex-themed.

"woman" with the "rifle."

David Cronenberg stirs up a more insidious brew of sex and guns in "A History of Violence," about a small-town man with a secret past. After Tom Stall (Viggo Mortensen) and his wife Edie (Maria Bello) face-off over his allegedly dark origins, their quarrel devolves into a raw tussle on a wooden staircase. With the ferocity of the love—unrivaled by any film last year—the audience winces at every groan from both the actors and the floorboards. Sensing the dangers of the situation he had concocted, even Cronenberg reportedly requested stunt pads for his lead players. Like the scene itself, both "History" and "Jarhead" are bruising, coyly hypnotic, and hard to love.

"Sex is the most fun you can have without laughing."

The "40-Year-Old Virgin" has fun

with both. In a film that didn't need to be anything more than crude, a balanced Steve Carell and a fine script propel this comedy into the realm of just plain swell. Turns out that between the carnal "expertise" of his sex-crazed peers and his own virginal cold feet (figuratively imagined by an old toy collection he can't bear to remove from its original packaging), the sincere abstinence of Carell's Andy Stitzer is the sanest and sweetest mindset of all. When Andy finally goes to whip out his "mint-condition" Million Dollar Man, we are treated to a glorious goof of a musical number—a satisfying climax to one of 2005's most likeable movies.

The unfortunate honor of earning accidental laughter goes to Spielberg's otherwise sobering "Munich." As a film about the frightening but irre-

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# The Oscar nomination goes to...

by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST

The Oscars just can't quit Jake and Heath.

In this year of critically acclaimed politicized cinema, the Oscar nominations, which came out this Tuesday, sent a strong message of support for "Brokeback Mountain." Ang Lee's film about two cowboys repressing their love. It received the most nominations of the field with eight, a point of note as, since 1980, the film receiving the most nominations won the Oscar for best picture all but four times.

Among the film's other nominations are best actor (Heath Ledger), supporting actor (Jake Gyllenhaal), supporting actress (Michelle Williams), director (Ang Lee), adapted screenplay, cinematography, and score. Expect it to come home with at least three statues, if not more.

Also in the lineup for best picture is "Good Night, and Good Luck," George Clooney's film about McCarthy-era politics with six noms, Paul Haggis's contemporary ensemble piece on racism, "Crash," with six, Bennett Miller's biopic, "Capote," with five, and "Munich," Spielberg's allegory on vengeance also with five. This is the first time since 1982 that the same five films are up for best picture and director.

"Munich" was widely considered to be the frontrunner before the Oscar race began, but only received scattered precursor support from the guilds and the Golden Globes. Its inclusion here stands as proof that the predestined frontrunner will receive its pre-ordained spot regardless of critical or precursor support.

And the inclusion of "Munich" likely cost "Walk the Line" a position in the best picture race. "Walk the Line" had a fair amount of pre-Oscar support, most notably at the Globes where it swept all the musical/comedy categories including picture. However, that film did pick up nominations here for its leading stars, Joaquin Phoenix and Reese Witherspoon.

Reese is widely considered a lock for the best actress win as June Carter Cash, wife of the famous musician. Other nominees for the best actress category include Felicity Huffman playing a transsexual in "Transamerica," considered to be the only real challenge for Ms. Witherspoon's victory, Judi Dench in "Mrs. Henderson Presents," Keira Knightley in "Pride & Prejudice," and Charlize Theron in "North Country."

Reese's costar is not a frontrunner for best actor for one reason: Philip Seymour Hoffman in "Capote." This longtime character actor and perennial near-miss for nominations in the supporting category finally found the role of a lifetime as writer Truman Capote. He won the Globe, SAG, and a majority of critics' prizes; expect him to be up on stage March 5.

There to give him a run for the money are Ledger, Phoenix, Terrance Howard in "Hustle & Flow," and David Strathairn for "Good Night, and Good Luck," all of whom gave excellent performances. Howard was one of the happy surprises of nominations morning. In a non-Oscar bait role, playing a pimp longing to break out into the music business, he mirrored his true arrival as a Hollywood star this year.

One of the big questions of Oscar



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Among the films nominated for Best Picture are "Crash" (above), "Brokeback Mountain," "Good Night, and Good Luck," and "Capote."

night is whether George Clooney will go home with an award. Although never previously nominated, he now has three nominations to his name, for direction ("Good Night, and Good Luck"), original screenplay ("Good Night, and Good Luck"), and supporting actor ("Syriana"). In either supporting actor or screenplay categories he may achieve success.

In supporting, Clooney will compete primarily with Paul Giamatti for the win. Clooney won the Globe, and Giamatti the SAG. But Giamatti's egregious snub for "Sideways" last year may tip the odds in his favor; makeup Oscars are the Academy's favorite way to atone for past errors. Other nominees here include Gyllenhaal, Matt Dillon for "Crash," and William Hurt, an Oscar favorite in the 1980s who won the fifth slot in the category in a tiny but powerful role in "A History of Violence."

In supporting actress, Rachel Weisz in "The Constant Gardener" is considered the one to beat after her Globe and SAG wins for her role as an activist fighting against pharmaceutical companies in Africa. Her likeliest challenger is Williams, but Weisz's larger role gives her the advantage as winners here often have arguably lead actress performances.

Amy Adams's nomination here for "Junebug" is another one of the feel-good stories of the nominees. Most critics ignored her performance as a small-town pregnant chatterbox in a small independent film w. It is certainly one of the most deserving nominations of the year. The other nominees are Catherine Keener as famous novelist Harper Lee in "Capote," and Frances McDormand in "North Country."

Unfortunately, there are always some deserving performances and contributions which are left out by the Academy, and this year is no different. Among those so dishonored this year are Maria Bello and Viggo Mortenson for acting and David Cronenberg for directing "A History of Violence," Joan Allen in "The Upside of Anger," and Jeff Daniels for "The Squid and the Whale." It's a

good reminder that the Academy does not have the final say on artistic merit; all these people certainly deserve equal, if not greater consideration than many of the nominated films and performances.

"March of the Penguins" is widely expected to waddle to victory in the documentary film category after earning the second highest gross for a domestic documentary ever, behind only "Bowling for Columbine."

Likewise, "Wallace & Gromit" earned numerous critical prizes and should have no trouble earning the animated film Oscar.

For foreign language film, Palestine's "Paradise Now," about suicide bombers, and South Africa's depiction of race and gangs in "Tsotsi" will duke it out for the win, another example of political prevalence.

This year's Oscar films have some of the lowest box office numbers in years. Not only are there no blockbusters, but there are only two films above \$50 million—"Crash" and "Brokeback"—and only barely over it at that. The top box office films of the year, including "The Chronicles of Narnia," "Star Wars 3," "War of the Worlds," and "King Kong" all received nominations, but only in the technical categories.

In a year of film full of political content, it seems appropriate that Jon Stewart will host the Oscars. The "Daily Show" host may be especially well suited to the material, but regardless, this year's Oscars are characterized by a little less of the typical superficiality that makes the Oscars such a cultural event. This year, Oscar finally embraced homosexuality in film for the first time. This, coupled with recent trends of increased racial diversity of nominees and acceptance of less respected genres like fantasy, points to the possibility we might be seeing barely perceptible, but real and positive changes in the Academy. Then again, "Rambo IV" is scheduled for release next year, so some things may never change.

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# Fulton focuses on Everglades



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This photograph of a Purple Gallinule is among the 121 pieces featured in senior Drew Fulton's photography project, "Everglades Imagery: Intimate Detail of a Vast Landscape," which opens Saturday in the VAC.

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

## Senior Portraits

First in a series

Throughout this semester, 16 seniors will present art exhibitions signifying the culmination of their artistic careers at Bowdoin. The Orient's Steve Kolowich sat down with Orient Photo Editor Drew Fulton, whose photography project, "Everglades Imagery: Intimate Detail of a Vast Landscape," will be on view in the Visual Arts Center (VAC) from February 4 through 15.

Steve Kolowich: Describe your senior art project. What inspired it, and how did you execute it?

Drew Fulton: During the spring of 2005, I took a leave of absence from Bowdoin and lived in the Florida Everglades for six months photo-

graphing the landscape and wildlife on a daily basis. I chose to focus on the Everglades for a number of reasons. First, they are near my home in Orlando and I have spent time there over the years mostly without a camera. Second, it is a landscape that is often overlooked because of the perceived sameness of the prairies, yet the subtle details fascinate me. Finally, the Everglades have a complex history and have become a conservation issue of national interest.

SK: What were your goals for your project? Did you meet those goals? Did they change during the process?

DF: I arrived in the Everglades with the goal of photographing everything and anything I could. I had a list of species and topics I knew I had to document but quickly found that following a list didn't always work. Most days I would be set up to photograph at a location well before sunrise and be ready for anything, whether it was a spectacular sunrise, a blooming orchid, or a flock of birds. I began to photograph the opportunities that presented themselves and found that by placing myself in certain places, I could create opportunities for myself that often corresponded with my list.

SK: Why did you choose the medium you did? What aspects of your artistic medium do you enjoy that aren't achievable through other media?

## Ladysmith to show off gospel sound

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McLachlan, Melissa Etheridge, Taj Mahal, and Natalie Merchant.

The Bowdoin community should expect a show as remarkable as Ladysmith's impressive guest artists and awards, as Isacke said that "people should be prepared for a visual spectacle also. There's a fair amount of dancing and they wear vibrant costumes."

"They told us not to underestimate the sound system that they want," said Junior Assistant Researcher in Biology Braulio Peguero, who put much of his time and energy into this show, "because they want every audience member to have the same acoustic feeling."

Though students may not recognize the name at first, they will recognize the sound come Friday night.

"There tends to be a generation gap for people who listen to them. Most students are exposed by their parents or by living abroad," Peguero continued. "But when you tell people who they are, they start getting excited and want to find out more."

Simon wrote this particular line to describe Ladysmith Black Mambazo's music in his song about founder Shabellala, "Under African Skies": "These are the roots of rhythm, and the roots of rhythm remain."

DF: A photograph captures what is in front of the lens, nothing more and nothing less. Every image represents a moment in time that I witnessed and was able to capture. Since photographs capture a single instant, they allow the viewer to closely examine something like a bird in flight that otherwise is hard to study. When I look at one of my photographs I want it to tell the story of the subject, whether it is a bird, a flower, or a landscape. I want the viewer to walk away with a new appreciation of the subject.

SK: What are you hoping people will take away from viewing your project?

DF: I hope that my show provides people with a taste of the complexity and diversity of the Everglades as well as an idea of the experiences I had during my stay there. My fascination with the Everglades comes from the subtle changes in a landscape where a change in elevation of just three inches can result in a forest community rather than a sawgrass prairie. These minor differences contribute to an enormous diversity of life whether it's plants, birds, insects, or animals. My understanding of the Everglades is firmly rooted in my experience with these details of the landscape, and I hope that viewers will walk away with a better understanding of what makes up the Everglades.

"Everglades Imagery: Intimate Detail of a Vast Landscape" will open on Saturday with a reception from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the VAC.



Courtesy of Drew Fulton

This photo of a Salt Marsh Morning Glory is another piece featured in Fulton's senior honors exhibition.

# Guinness spin-off preferable to Gritty's

by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

HARP LAGER—(\$8.49 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

The Guinness Brewing Company has created quite a beverage with this imported lager, combining pub-style beer with subtle sophistication. When opened, Harp slowly releases a dark and full-bodied smell much like other high end beers, a true sign that the flavor is encoined in the heart of the beer, not just the spices. The pour provided some unexpected results—the beer was much lighter than I thought it would be and radiated a yellowish hue when held to the light. Though golden tones were evident, it looked more like a pale ale than a lager. First sips are often misleading, but Harp gave me everything it had in the opening pull—a malty presence that was smooth and an ever so slight bitterness from the hops. If Budweiser is the rock and roll of beer, this is the jazz. An aftertaste is almost non-existent, letting the lager simply fade from my palate as I enjoy every sip. The label is one of my favorites, combining a powerful presence from the lettering and elegant simplicity seen in the faded yellow backdrop. Moreover, the back of the bottle relays a message to the drinker encouraging one to enjoy the beer in conjunction with good times as much as possible. If there was ever a motto to live by, this is it. All in all, I would say this is a great beer to enjoy with good people while listening to one of the timeless recordings from the Grateful Dead Europe '72 tour. My scores: Taste: 4.0 Label: 4.7 Benefit/Cost ratio: 1.5 (expensive)

GRITTY McDUFF'S SCOTTISH ALE—(\$7.49 for a six-pack, available at Hannaford)

This Scottish Ale is Gritty's seasonal draft for the winter months, crafted in the hopes of outstripping Geary's and Shipyard in the annual winter taste test done in my room every week, I mean year. This ale is an interesting one, combining many of the different attributes I usually find so appealing with Gritty's line of beers (taste, profile of flavors). Unfortunately, I was not blown away by this one. The brew itself was a dark amber color with ample carbonation, more so than other winter ales I have tried in the past. The pour also revealed an earthy smelling malt presence—I could tell it would be a

very pungent beer before tasting it. My first gulp revealed a strong taste of butter and hops, something I was not expecting. I don't mean it was like drinking melted butter, rather it tasted as though it were a regular muffin instead of the non-fat variety you might compare to Coors

Light. The most obvious quality of the brew was the aftertaste, packing a bitter bite that reminded me of Geary's Winter Ale or a weak IPA. Finally, the label is worth mentioning. Backed by a light blue and gray color scheme, an overly sized Scotsman stands with a keg on his shoulder and a pint glass in the other. He is definitely not smiling, most likely due to the fact that he is wearing a kilt. I suppose a few more pulls off the keg would turn that frown upside down. This beer is unique and worth a try. If you enjoy it, I recommend Geary's Winter Ale or Lemon-Lime Gatorade. My scores: Taste: 2.9 Label: 3.6 Benefit/Cost ratio: 2.5

## Best sexual themes of '05 films exposed

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sistible addition to revenge, it's never more startling than when Spielberg decides, against better judgment, to add sex to the mix. What's meant to be a heartfelt finale becomes a bafflingly sweaty lesson in how to nearly ruin a film, as Spielberg inter-cuts flashbacks from the tragic kidnapping of the 1972 Israeli Olympic team with shots of Eric Bana making love to his wife. It's still a must-see, but for a picture already just a few ounces from heavy-handed, this poorly realized scene tips the film's scale toward schlock.

"Sex between a man and a woman can be absolutely wonderful—provided you get between the right man and the right woman."

What if, however, such intimacy takes place between a woman and a 30-foot ape? Or even, say, a young boy and a library bookshelf? You can witness the latter in "The Squid and the Whale," a torture rack of nostalgia about two brothers enduring the wrath of their parents' divorce. Even if you've never thought about romancing the reference section at H&L yourself, to witness young Frank act out love and hate for his parents is to personally recall and relate to the myriad quirks that made childhood what it was. Mining a reservoir of both humor and discomfort, "The Squid and the Whale" gets the recipe for cinematic sincerity just right, aptly envisioning the seasons of influence between generations and the cringe-worthy union between boy and furniture.

Finally, for this season's beloved primate-pic, "King Kong" provided the

oddest of odd-couples with nary an on-screen kiss to show for it. Despite the impracticality of the romance, viewers can't be blamed for thinking that had the military not shown up to interrupt this three-hour date between femme and fur, the outcome would have most likely called for a pair of cigarettes. Kudos to Jackson for bringing the relationship to the edge of real love; it's a daring move that pays proper tribute to the audacity of the original (in a deleted scene from the 1933 classic, Kong investigates Fay Wray's dress, then sniffs his finger). Whether it was the film's already excessive fixation with big slimy things or just good old sanity that held the ape's affection to pedestrian cuddling, Jackson gets an honorable mention for at least raising our eyebrows to the possibility of a romp in the jungle.

Save for a few notable omissions, those were the big sex scenes of 2005. Allen's own "Match Point" boasted the most attractive on-screen couple in Jonathan Rhys-Meyers and Scarlett Johansson, but ultimately felt like less than the sum of its stylish parts. "Brokeback Mountain" seems a sure thing come Oscar time, making its inclusion unnecessary in this rather orgasmic collection. The year 2005 was not, in fact, about going steady with one great picture, but about enjoying the handful of movies that proved worthy one-night stands. No doubt Woody would salute the joyful polygamy that marked the cinema last year, once reflecting: "Sex between two people is a beautiful thing. Between five, it's fantastic."



# SPORTS

## Middlebury chills Polar Bears



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The women's hockey team lost 9-1 to Middlebury on Saturday. Later in the week, the Polar Bears went on to defeat St. Olaf 11-2. Bowdoin is ranked ninth in the latest national poll. The Bears face Trinity and Hamilton this weekend.

## Women's basketball slams Bates at home

The basketball team captured its 65th consecutive home-court victory against Bates on Tuesday

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

Avenging a prior loss to Bates, the Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team defeated the Bobcats for the team's 65th consecutive home-court on Tuesday. The 76-59 victory broke the New England Division III record for consecutive home victories.

Junior Eileen Flaherty, leading the Bears in points, set a couple records of her own in the game. Flaherty surpassed the 1,000 career-point mark, capturing the eighth-place spot for points scored in Bowdoin women's basketball history.

Also contributing to the Bear's effort was sophomore Marisa Berne, who opened Bowdoin scoring with two three-pointers early in the

game. At the half, Bowdoin held a narrow 39-34 lead, but the second half saw strong Bowdoin offensive and defensive assaults. Learning from the last matchup with Bates, the Bears didn't waste many free-throw opportunities, making 23 out of 27.

In addition to Flaherty's double digits, Berne and first year Jill Anelauskas tallied 15 points apiece, while senior Justine Pouravelis posted 13 points, as well as three blocks and five steals for the night.

Earlier in the week, the Bears topped Trinity 85-51. First year Jill Anelauskas led the Polar Bears scoring, banking a career-high 25 points in Saturday's game.

Slow to warm up in the first half, the high point was an exciting three-point shot from first year Maria Noulas as the buzzer sounded for the half.

The Bears returned to the court warmed up, increasing the lead to a game-high 41 points, with lay-ups left and right. In addition, a strong

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## Track takes second Skiing carved by competition

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Track Team did not let a two-hour delay - caused by an electrical fire in Farley Field House, slow them down. The Bears took second out of the five-team field, losing to Tufts, the meet winner, by only 3.5

points on Saturday.

Once again junior Louise Duffus led the women in point totals, winning both throwing events and setting a new school record with a personal best in the weight throw. Her throw of 54'2" also qualified her provisionally

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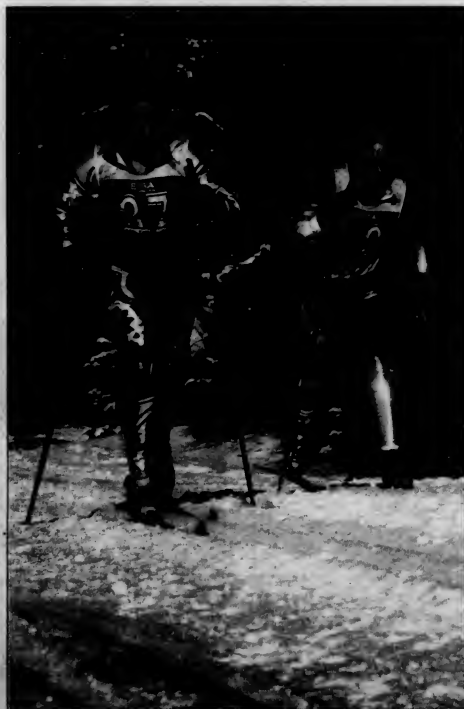
by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

After a long autumn of dry-land training and preparation, the Bowdoin Nordic Ski Team participated in its first two races of the season at Sugarloaf and Lake Placid. At Sugarloaf over Winter Break, Leah Ricci '07 placed 14th in a classical sprint and Forrest Horton '08 was 29th in the 20k skate. Last weekend at Lake Placid, Jeremy Huckins also had a strong race in the 10k classical event, finishing 48th, in the top half of the field.

"We're no better or worse than I thought we'd be," said Head Coach Marty Hall. "Due to a number of defections and injuries, we're looking at a young and inexperienced team. I'm looking to Leah Ricci and Forrest Horton to bear the burden, carrying the team when it comes to front-line results."

Nordic skiing, Bowdoin's only Division I sport, features racers skiing both up and down hills, with events that vary in distance and in technique. Each week, skiers race two times against the same schools and competitors at different venues. This year, Bowdoin's skiers will compete in races as long as 20k, or 13 miles, and as short as one kilometer, or about 3000 feet.

"We're building," said Hall. "I felt that we had left the building process last year, because we were going to have Eddie [Hunter '08], John [Hall



Courtesy of Nick Crawford



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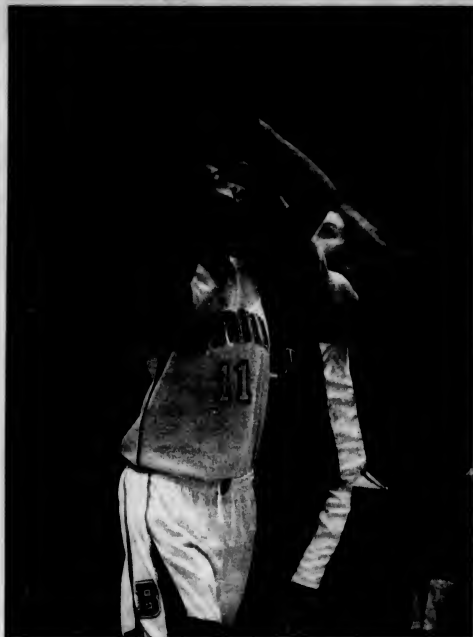
First year Kate Kroschell took eighth place in the triple jump on Saturday.

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First year Maresa Neilson overtakes a Middlebury skier at Lake Placid.



# Justine Pouravelis courts success for women ballers



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Justine Pouravelis '06 has played an integral role in the basketball team's success.

by Anna Messerly  
STAFF WRITER

Winning is a good thing and winning at home in front of friends and family is even better. But little can rival winning 65 consecutive games at home.

The Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team knows all about winning streaks. In fact, the Polar Bears haven't lost a home game in nearly five years, giving them the longest home-court winning streak in NCAA basketball.

However, maintaining such an outstanding record is not easy, which is why the women's basketball team is so lucky to have senior tri-captain Justine Pouravelis among its ranks.

"She is one of the most gifted

players I have ever had the pleasure to play with or against," fellow tri-captain Lauren Withey '06 said. "She has a great sense of the game, great body awareness, and arms that opponents fear."

A Maine native, Pouravelis is a four-year veteran of the team. Pouravelis leads the squad in field goal percentage, with .575 percent; steals, averaging 2.2 per game; rebounds, averaging 7.7 a game; and blocks, with 30 so far this season. In addition, Pouravelis holds records in most blocks in a game, season and career, as well as highest career field goal percentage.

Pouravelis began her career on the playgrounds of Old Orchard Beach, playing at St. Patrick's Grammar School, before going on to Catherine McAuley High School in Portland, where she led the team to a state championship in 2002.

Since arriving at Bowdoin, Pouravelis has garnered more recognition, earning NESCAC Defensive Player of the Year honors twice.

These outstanding statistics don't tell the entire story as many of the qualities that make Pouravelis such an asset to the team aren't found in stats or record books.

"Her competitiveness is second to none," said tri-captain Vanessa Russell, adding, "She is consistent and a good teammate."

Pouravelis's ability to strike a balance between working hard and having fun makes her an ideal candidate to lead such a successful team.

"Justine has the quality to lighten any situation with her optimism—but also isn't afraid of getting down to business in games and practices," Russell said. In addition to optimism, Pouravelis is known for her humor and, according to Withey, she likes to "remind us of her Greek heritage on a daily basis."

Pouravelis's interests extend beyond the court. "She has a much broader perspective on athletics that allows her to prioritize her life so that she puts many things—family, friends, religion, academics—before athletics."

The Polar Bears didn't let their third-place ranking in national polls at the beginning of the season affect their playing.

"We often start the season rated highly in the polls, so we usually try to focus within our team, and not on outside opinions," Pouravelis said.

Evidently, ignoring outside opinions and press attention hasn't been that hard for the Bears, who have won 10 home games so far this season.

In fact, the team has won all of its games but two. The squad fell to the University of Southern Maine and lost to Bates in the two teams' first matchup. Not included in the Bears' 16-2 record is a win over the Division II University of Puerto Rico-Bayamon team.

Pouravelis gives plenty of credit to the rest of the team.

"Our team dynamic is wonderful, and we have so many offensive and defensive weapons. We fight a lot and spend too much time together, but laugh all the time. And I think it shows in the way we play," she said.

## Basketball breaks N. England DIII record

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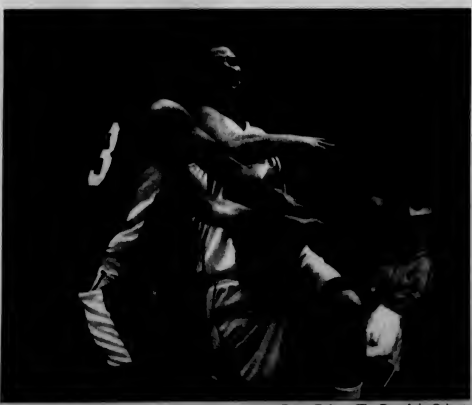
defensive effort, kept Trinity away from the basket.

Anelauskas picked up weekly honors for her performance against Trinity. She was named NESCAC Player of the Week and received the Maine Women's Basketball Coaches Association Rookie of the Week.

The women's outstanding record hasn't gone unnoticed. The Polar Bears winning streak earned them the attention of The Boston Globe. The January 27 issue of the Globe featured the Polar Bears.

Along with breaking the record for consecutive home-game victories, Bowdoin edged up to sixth in the latest national poll.

The Polar Bears will look to increase their home-game winning streak tonight against Wesleyan at 7 p.m.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior Katie Cummings pushes past an Amherst player at a home game.

## Men's track finishes third of six at meet

by Patrick Pierce  
CONTRIBUTOR

The members of the Bowdoin Men's Track Team tested their form against Colby, MIT, Tufts, Springfield and Gordon and find themselves to be in good shape.

Unfortunately reports of smoke inside Farley Field House delayed Saturday's meet for over two hours, forcing athletes and spectators alike to evacuate the field house, while the Brunswick Fire Department investigated the claims.

Although it appeared that the athletes might give way to competitive urges amidst the freshly fallen snow, cooler heads prevailed and the teams harmoniously shared the synthetic turf of Ryan Field, basking in the unseasonal heat until the meet resumed.

Upon receiving permission to re-enter, the meet recommenced with a bang. Within minutes junior Owen McKenna was dueling two MIT runners in the mile race. With just 400 meters to go McKenna unleashed his ferocious kick, for which he is notorious throughout the NESCAC, to surge past his two competitors with a personal best of 4:16.64.

The Polar Bears fared well in the other distance and mid-distance events. Sophomores Steven Bartus and Eric Lee both ran strong in the 600 meters, finishing third and fourth, respectively. Lee managed to finish just four seconds behind Bartus in the first 600-meter race of the season. In the 800 meter, first year Jay McCormick led the field through the midway mark, finishing with a personal best of 2:00.59.

Sophomores Tim Katic and Ken Akiha reaped the results of their dedicated training, running personal bests in their races. Katic improved upon his previous best mark in the 1000 meter by three seconds, while

Akiha shaved 30 seconds off his best 5k time.

The 3k did not disappoint either, as sophomores Nathan Krah and Tyler Lonsdale, finished first and second, repeating their heroics from the previous meet. The super sophomore duo tagged behind two Engineers for 14 laps before burning their opponents with a flaming burst of speed.

In the hurdles, junior Joe Adu charged hard at the finish to out-pace his talented MIT opponent, winning with a time of 8.08 seconds. Adu's personal best of 8.02 set during the trial heat of the hurdles makes him a top contender in post-season competition. In the 400 meters sophomores Brendan Egan and Lamont White took second and third, respectively for the Bears.

In the field events, senior Jared Prichard carried the high-jumping torch for his injured teammate junior Bari Robinson with a sixth-place finish.

In his first year of collegiate competition, sophomore David Wagoner-Edwards led the pole vaulters with a personal best of 11', giving athletes and spectators of glimpse of his potential for seasons-to-come.

Senior captain Patrick Lyons showed good form with a shot put throw of 47' 3", and a weight throw of 47' 11", both good for fifth place.

The men, slowed by injuries, showed poise and promise by finishing third out of six teams. They scored 98 points to meet-winner MIT's 198. The Polar Bears trounced Colby's last-place finish of 20 points. The Polar Bears eagerly await their opportunity to take 'back the Mat Morrell Trophy, named after Malcom Morrell, the long time Bowdoin athletic director and namesake of Morrell Gym, at the Maine State Meet this weekend at the University of Southern Maine.

## Super Bowl lacks antics

by Joel Samen  
STAFF WRITER

Something is missing from this year's Super Bowl. There is no circus of words from Terrell Owens and Freddy Mitchell. Tom Brady, Bill

Belichick, and Tedy Bruschi are not solemnly overstating

their respect for the opposition, while publicly disregarding their own team's accomplishments. This time around, the game is just not going to be the spectacle that fans have come to expect after the past few years.

There are several emerging story lines going into Sunday's Super Bowl XL. Two of the most intriguing plots are concerning the two teams' star running backs.

Jerome Bettis, Pittsburgh's 13-year veteran, is rumored to be contemplating retirement after this season. After spending 10 years with the Steelers, the dominant tank of a back may be going out in fairy-tale style with this year's championship being played in his hometown, Detroit. The topic has been broached many times during the buildup to the Showdown in Motown, but it has emerged as one of the feel-good stories of the season.

"This is something that I've waited my whole life to do," said Bettis in Detroit during the Super Bowl Media day last Sunday. "I'm living the dream right now...it's my career, in 60 minutes."

This season, Bettis has often been used in short first-down territory as a hole-punching workhorse, accumulating only 368 yards with nine touchdowns.

On the other side of the ball, Seattle's Shaun Alexander is coming off one of the greatest seasons ever for a NFL running back. Alexander, the current MVP, broke Priest Holmes' record for rushing touchdowns in a season with 28 scores and ran for a career-best of 1,880 yards, while carrying his team to the franchise's first Super Bowl in just his sixth year.

Alexander's current contract expires after the season, and after the incredible offensive statistics he posted this year he is due to receive a mammoth contract during the off-season.

Two great teams collide in this year's championship, with Matt Hasselbeck and Ben Roethlisberger commanding their teams expertly, but the focus on Sunday will be on the ground, with the young MVP leading his team's offense and the veteran trying to win one at home before riding into the sunset.

# Sargeantson makes game for Bears

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

A stellar performance from sophomore Andrew Sargeantson ensured Bowdoin's 92-75 victory over Thomas College on Wednesday night. The Polar Bears snapped a two-game losing skid to improve to 12-7.

Sargeantson, who shot 80 percent from the floor, notched 27 points and grabbed 13 rebounds, both career highs for the sophomore.

Commenting on Sargeantson's record, Head Coach Tim Gilbride said, "Andrew played a very good game at both ends of the court."

Aided by a strong first-half effort from junior John Goodridge, the Polar Bears held a comfortable 54-40 lead at the half. Goodridge scored 11 points, hitting three three-pointers in a row to close out the half.

Sargeantson hit four consecutive shots to open the second half, prompting Bowdoin to go on a tear, pushing the lead to 23 points. Thomas answered, narrowing the gap to just seven points with nine minutes of play remaining.

But Bowdoin closed out the game effectively, going on a 12-4 run in the final six minutes to guarantee the victory.

Sargeantson was not the only Polar Bear to reach double digits. Co-captain Kyle Petrie grabbed 20 points and 11 rebounds, Goodridge contributed 11 points, while sophomores Andrew Hippert and Jordan Fliegel each had 10 points.

The Polar Bears have five

regular-season games remaining, which include bouts against conference foes Wesleyan, Connecticut College, Middlebury, and perennial powerhouse Williams.

Gilbride remains optimistic about the remainder of the season.

"The conference [NESCAC] standings are still wide open, so our goal is to win as many conference games as possible and to be playing our best basketball of the year by the end of the season," he said.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Andrew Sargeantson tallied a career-high 27 points against Thomas.

## Swimming splits

by Katie Yankura  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Swimming and Diving Teams returned to intercollegiate competition with Trinity and Wesleyan after a winter break training trip to Mexico. Both the men's and women's team took second, defeating Trinity, but losing to Wesleyan in Saturday's meet.

Dominating Trinity 198-100, the Polar Bears lost to Wesleyan by a mere two points, 146-144.

Juniors Katie Chapman and Megan McLean, as well as senior diver Victoria Tudor, led the Polar Bears with outstanding individual results. Chapman, in her first NESCAC meet of the season, having just returned from a semester in Chile, wasted no time reestablishing her position. She captured first in three individual events. Chapman's victories in the 200-yard freestyle, the 100-yard backstroke, and the 100-yard freestyle made her a top scorer for the Bears. McLean contributed to Bowdoin's points in the freestyle events, with second place finishes in the 200 and 100-yard free. Bowdoin also had a first-place finish in the 200-freestyle relay with Chapman, McLean, senior Aubrey

Sharman, and sophomore Carrie Roble racing. In the diving competition, Tudor swept both the one-meter and three-meter events.

The men's team had a solid victory over Trinity 158-134, but lost to Wesleyan 185-92. Senior captains Roger Burleigh and Carter Thomas led the team with notable individual performances. Burleigh captured both the 100- and 200-yard butterfly events, while Thomas swam to a third place finish in the 100-yard fly.

The swimming and diving teams return to competition this weekend for the last regular meet of the season against Colby, the Bear's closest rival.

Looking forward to the upcoming meet, Coach Brad Burnham said, "The Colby meet is usually our most competitive dual meet of the year and this looks to be no different. Both teams will put up the strongest lineup possible and it will come down to performance in the pool. No matter the outcome I am sure our teams will fight for every point they can get and they will have a great time doing it."

Both teams are 3-4 going into their final meet of the season at Colby this weekend.

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Bates	6	0	19	2
Trinity	5	0	15	3
Williams	4	1	17	2
Amherst	4	1	18	4
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4</b>
Tufts	2	3	12	7
Middlebury	1	4	12	7
Conn. College	1	5	11	9
Colby	0	5	6	13
Wesleyan	0	6	8	12

#### SCOREBOARD

F 1/27 at Amherst L 86-72  
Sa 1/28 at Trinity L 80-65  
W 2/1 v. Thomas College W 92-75

#### SCHEDULE

F 2/3 at Wesleyan 7:30 P.M.  
Sa 2/4 at Conn. College 3:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Bates	5	1	14	7
Wesleyan	5	1	14	5
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>
Williams	4	1	17	3
Amherst	3	2	8	10
Middlebury	2	3	13	6
Tufts	2	4	8	10
Colby	1	4	7	11
Trinity	1	4	6	12
Conn. College	0	6	7	13

#### SCOREBOARD

F 1/27 v. Amherst W 80-60  
Sa 1/28 v. Trinity W 85-51  
Tu 1/31 v. Bates W 76-59

#### SCHEDULE

F 2/3 v. Wesleyan 7:00 P.M.  
Sa 2/4 v. Conn. College 3:00 P.M.

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.  
Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC.

### MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Middlebury	12	0	1	16	0	2
Amherst	9	3	1	12	5	1
Williams	8	3	2	9	8	2
Hamilton	8	5	0	10	7	1
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>
Colby	7	6	0	11	7	0
Tufts	5	7	1	8	8	2
Trinity	4	6	3	7	8	3
Wesleyan	2	8	3	3	11	3
Conn. Coll.	1	11	1	2	15	1

#### SCOREBOARD

F 1/27 at Southern Maine W 4-1  
Sa 1/28 at Salem State W 4-2

#### SCHEDULE

F 2/3 v. Amherst 7:00 P.M.  
Sa 2/4 v. Hamilton 5:00 P.M.

### MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Sa 1/28 v. Trinity (at Wesleyan)	W	158-134		
Sa 1/28 at Wesleyan	L	185-92		

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 2/4 at Colby 12:00 P.M.

### MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Sa 1/28 v. Tufts, Springfield, Colby, MIT	3rd	of 5		

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 2/4 at Maine State Meet (USM) 6:00 P.M.

### MEN'S SQUASH

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Sa 1/28 v. Brown	L	8-1		
W 2/1 v. Bates	L	5-4		

#### SCHEDULE

F 2/3 v. St. Lawrence 7:30 P.M.  
Sa 2/4 v. Dartmouth 2:30 P.M.  
Tu 2/7 at Bates 6:00 P.M.  
W 2/8 at Colby 6:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Middlebury	11	0	0	17	0	0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>
Williams	6	4	1	8	8	1
Colby	6	5	0	9	6	0
Hamilton	5	7	0	8	10	0
Amherst	5	8	0	8	9	0
Trinity	3	7	2	6	8	2
Conn. College	3	7	1	5	9	3
Wesleyan	2	8	0	2	14	1

#### SCOREBOARD

F 1/27 v. Williams W 4-2  
Sa 1/28 v. Middlebury L 9-1  
Tu 1/31 v. St. Olaf W 11-2

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 2/4 at Trinity 4:00 P.M.  
Su 2/5 at Hamilton 2:00 P.M.

### W. SWIMMING & DIVING

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Sa 1/28 v. Trinity (at Wesleyan)	L	146-144		
Sa 1/28 at Wesleyan	W	198-100		

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 2/4 at Colby 12:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Sa 1/28 v. Tufts, Springfield, Colby, MIT	2nd	of 5		

#### SCHEDULE

F 2/3 at Maine State Meet (Bates) 6:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S SQUASH

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Sa 1/28 v. Brown	L	8-1		
W 2/1 v. Bates	L	8-1		

#### SCHEDULE

F 2/3 v. St. Lawrence 7:30 P.M.  
Sa 2/4 v. Dartmouth 2:30 P.M.  
Tu 2/7 at Bates 6:00 P.M.  
W 2/8 at Colby 6:00 P.M.

## Squash swept by Brown and Bates

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's squash teams suffered tough losses to Bates on Wednesday night. Despite many close individual matches, the men 5-4, while the women were defeated 8-1. This match marks the first of up to four against Bates for both teams, and the players view the initial loss as a mere first try, hoping to improve with each face-off.

"This match was a great first encounter; it showed us that we are capable of winning, if we can control our nerves," said Bryant Rich '06. "We'll be working on mental preparation for next time."

The women's team echoes these hopes. Dodie Press '07 said, "Bates is a perennially strong team, but we're catching up to them. Hopefully, we can continue to improve and beat them next week on their home courts."

The teams do not lack enthusiasm, especially when playing friendly rival Bates.

Lydia Pillsbury '07 described the match as "two strong and deep teams battling each other."

First year Emma Powers pointed out that although Bates won eight of the nine women's matches, "the game scores were tight," which demonstrates the possibility of opposite outcomes in the future.

First year Elliot Beck commented,

"Everyone on the team played their hearts out, not for themselves, but for the team, and although we lost this match against Bates, the team showed that we have what it takes to win our next one."

On Saturday, the teams faced strong Brown teams, and although both men and women lost 1-8, the players viewed the experience as an opportunity to learn from their opponents and to discover how well they played with each nothing to lose.

The Polar Bears face St. Lawrence tonight at 6:30 p.m. and Dartmouth on Saturday afternoon here in Brunswick. The two teams travel to Colby on Tuesday and Bates on Wednesday, when they will attempt to overturn their rivals.

## Nordic skiing slow at Lake Placid

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'08, Forrest, and Huck [Huckins], four really strong guys right there. None of that. We're in a rebuilding process again." Hunter decided not to ski, while an injury forced Hall off the course. At Sugarloaf, rain and warm weather precipitated the relocation of the Nordic sprint to the downhill area, resulting in a tough, uphill course that took under three minutes to complete.

Both Ricci and Krysis Crabtree '09 skied fast enough in the preliminary sprint to qualify for the final heats, in which four skiers start simultaneously with the top two finishers advancing. Huckins also had a strong race in the preliminaries, finishing eight places away from qualifying for the final heats after a timing mix-up.

In the final heats, Crabtree was

eliminated in the first round, but Ricci advanced to the quarterfinals. After an exciting race, which Ricci led at one point, she was overtaken in the last 100 meters and had to settle for 14th.

At Lake Placid last weekend, the Nordic events were held at the Olympic jumping complex because of a lack of snow, with both races looping around a two-kilometer course multiple times. Ricci, Huckins, and Horton again all had strong races. Nick Crawford '09 and Lana Mathis '08 also skied well.



Courtesy of Nick Crawford

Leah Ricci '07 placed 55th in the women's 5k classic.

## Men's hockey to play rivals this weekend

The men's hockey team gathers momentum with victory over Salem State

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Hockey Team opened last weekend with a very disappointing 4-1 loss to the University of Southern Maine. The Bears quickly recovered from the loss, defeating Salem State in an away game the next day.

The game against USM could easily be summed up in one word: frustrating. The team did everything in its power to secure a victory, but still came up short. Despite peppering the USM goalkeeper with 37 shots, only one of the shots would ultimately translate onto the scoreboard.

"The USM game was frustrating in that we just couldn't score," junior Greg McConnell said.

The Bear's frustration intensified as the game progressed without any goals. The offensive's difficulties eventually caused a defensive collapse with team giving up three goals in the final period. The back-breaker came on a shorthanded goal with 12 minutes remaining in the

game.

The team fared much better in the next night's game, as the squad put Salem State away with a 4-2 victory. Seniors Adam Dann and Jon Landry essentially put the team on their shoulders, leaving their mark on every single goal.

Their outstanding performances, combined with an impressive performance from goalkeeper George Papachristopoulos '06 (22 saves), ensured the very result the team so desperately needed.

The victory gives the team some momentum as the Bears prepare to face two of the NESCAC's most talented teams this weekend.

The games against Amherst, ranked second in the NESCAC, and Hamilton, ranked fourth, may very well end up being the two most important games of the season.

"This weekend is a great opportunity for us to gain some lost ground in the league," Dann explained. "Two wins would bump us into third place, setting ourselves up for the chance to get home ice for the first round of the playoffs."

Today it will have been 55 days since the entire Polar Bear Nation was on campus to watch the hockey team. Undoubtedly, Dayton Arena will be rocking this weekend.

## Women's track to face Colby, USM, and Bates in Maine State Meet

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for nationals.

Senior Emily Sheffield captured Bowdoin's other first place, winning the 1000 meters in 3:01.17. Sheffield's win, combined with sophomore Laura Onderko's second-place finish and first year Lindsey Schickner's fifth-place finish, made the 1000 meters the Bears' highest scoring event. First years Ali Chase, Lynne Tempest, and Jess Sokolow made the 600 meters another strong event for Bowdoin, with Chase and Tempest taking second and third in 1:41.45 and 1:42.35, respectively. Sokolow added points to Bear's tally for the event with a fifth-place finish.

The other mid-distance events brought more points to Bowdoin's total with Amy Ahearn '08 sprinting past competition in the 800 meters for fourth with a personal best of 2:21.97. Sophomore Courtney Eustace overcame fierce competition to take third place in the mile in 5:18.86.

Alison Pilon '09 captured third in the 400 meters. Kristen Brownell '07 followed suit, taking third place in the 3000 meters with a personal best of 10:50.36. Juniors Gina Campelia and Jamie Knight pulled fifth and sixth place finishes in the 400 meters, respectively. In the 55-meter hurdles, Erin Prifogle '07 and senior Emily Hackert took second and third, respectively. Hackert captured another third in the long jump, while Molly Seaward '09 took fourth. In the triple jump, first year Alex Keeney joined

Seaward for another set of third and fourth place finishes. Prifogle was Bowdoin's top finisher in the high jump, clearing 5'1.75" for second place. Teammate Jessie DePalo '08 cleared 4'7.75" for fifth.

Seniors Ruth Jacobson and Kari Barber took seventh and eighth in the 200 meters. Jacobson also competed in the 55-meter dash, sprinting to a second place finish in 7.77. In the pole vault Alyssa Chen '08 cleared 9'1" for third and Becca Perry '07 took fourth.

Bowdoin finished strong in the relays. In the 4x200-meter relay, the team of Sokolow, Campelia, Barber, and Seaward took second. The Polar Bears took another second place in the 4x400-meter relay composed of Hackert, Pilon, Campelia, and Chase. The distance medley relay of Eustace, Sheffield, Ahearn, and Courtney Martin '09 placed fourth.

The Bears will attempt to capture the state championship in a meet against Colby and USM tonight at Bates.



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Sophomore Jessie DePalo took fifth place in the high jump on Saturday.

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It is especially too short because it can offer so much. The students, staff, and retired faculty that we have lost exemplified the College's offer to live life in the pursuit of "generous enthusiasms." Taryn King, Katie Scott, Phil Soule—all were passionate about the things they loved and showed their passion through their final days. On the field, on the dance floor, and on the sidelines, they chose to excel. By all accounts, not only were they good at what they did, but more importantly, they were good to the people around them.

It might seem strange to say that we can take lessons away from death. But as we grieve and reflect, we may learn to make sure that we lose ourselves in enthusiasms. We must do what we love—and not do things just for the sake of doing them—since we do not know what will come tomorrow. And perhaps we will learn to hug each other just a little bit harder, a little more often.

So many of us will cry, many of us will provide comfort to others, and many of us will do both. Together, in celebrating the lives of those we have lost, we can hope that we will affect the lives of others as much as our friends affected us.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Support from community is appreciated

To the Editors:

I would like to thank the Bowdoin community for its incredible support during these last few weeks.

In particular, I would like to thank President Barry Mills, Athletic Director Jeff Ward, the many Bowdoin coaches and their families, and the Bowdoin student body and alumni.

Your presence, shared memories, cards and flowers, and outpouring of love were a tremendous help to me and the Soule family.

Coach was so proud of his time at Bowdoin. He truly loved what he did. In fact, his favorite saying was, "Who else is this lucky? I get up every day to do what I love—and I get paid to do it!"

When sadness overwhelms me, I remember my Bowdoin family, and I am comforted.

Thank you all.

Sincerely,

Maureen 'Mo' Soule  
Wife of Philip Soule

### Miller should use more tact in descriptions

To the Editors:

I was disappointed by Joshua Miller's recent essay about a trip to Denny's Restaurant. The 173

words describing a female patron's appearance and eating habits were particularly discouraging.

Mr. Miller's previous contributions to the Orient have explored such topics as a clerk's nail polish at Sanford's Towing ("Rescuing your missing car from Sanford's Towing isn't as easy as it should be," November 19, 2004), and nurses' hairstyles at Parkview Hospital ("Parkview Medical: Bad hairdos and poor attempts at foreign accents salvage a day spent at the hospital," April 15, 2005).

Humor can come from observation, but not from Mr. Miller's pieces. His tone is condescending and could offend the Mainers whose state he so enjoys describing.

I worry that Mr. Miller's self-interested exploitation of Maine residents to showcase his descriptive ability suggests that Bowdoin students find it acceptable to make fun of their neighbors for a laugh. In fact, most Bowdoin students find it more valuable to interact with Maine residents by serving as coaches, mentors, or teachers of local children, or through other volunteer opportunities. By publishing one-dimensional characterizations of strangers to benefit himself, Mr. Miller cheapens the many positive effects Bowdoin students have on the Maine community.

Sincerely,

Eileen Schneider '04  
Brooklyn, New York

### Phil Soule is remembered affectionately

To the Editors:

As with many in the Bowdoin community, it is with pride and a smile that I remember Phil Soule. In the mid-'80s he was known as the Soule Man (that's a Blues Brothers/Sam & Dave reference for the current students). I knew him through track and field, football, and the fact that I went to high school with his children at Deering High in Portland.

While I am sad that he is gone, memories of the "Boiled Owl" stories (the Bowdoin/Bates football game) live on. I'm convinced that Lawrence Taylor met him and based his famous "let's go out there like a pack of crazed dogs" speech on something that Coach might have said. I'm also grateful for all of his support during my four years in track. I never imagined that I would make All-ECAC, especially after I almost took off an official's head in the 35-pound-weight throw during my very first meet. As many people have mentioned, as gruff as his exterior seemed from time to time, he was truly a patient and caring man.

I wish his wife and family the best. As tough as it can be when you lose someone, smile as you remember that he lived life to its fullest.

Sincerely,

Chris Lacke '88  
Pitman, New Jersey

## Responses to 'Republicans impose ideology' by Chi '07

To the Editors:

The emotional accusation of Republicans by Mr. Chi in "Republicans impose ideology" last week was an irresponsible portrayal of conservative principles.

Chi doesn't seem to understand that not every Republican shares the fundamentalist views that he is lumping every conservative into.

By writing that conservatives in academia want women's studies to turn into "Nancy Reagan's lessons on how to gaze adoringly at one's husband" and gay and lesbian studies to turn into "how to stay in the closet so you can all remain God's children" is not only blatantly wrong but also irresponsible. By writing this, Mr. Chi aims to scare the Bowdoin population into believing that Republicans on campus are a bunch of chauvinists looking for inequality. Sounds like another case of McCarthyism to me.

Surely, if he spent some time understanding what conservative ideology is about instead of lambasting conservatives based on his own biases, the op-ed would be more credible. I'm quite sure that Republicans campaigning for an Academic Bill of Rights on campus are only looking for a guarantee that their ideas won't be ridiculed and misconstrued like how Mr. Chi has in his article.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Jeng '09

To the Editors:

Once again I find myself forced to comment on the mischaracterizations and lies propagated by the Bowdoin Democrats.

Last week Frank Chi somehow equated support of the Academic Bill of Rights with a desire to return segregation to America. Apparently criticism of Women's, Gay and Lesbian, or Africana Studies is the same as criticism of the movements that created these departments. Think there are problems with Africana Studies? Then, by Chi's logic, you also have a problem with Civil Rights. Hence, you must favor segregation! Sound reasonable?

Frank continues with a distortion of the Academic Bill of Rights. Does it call for the hiring of more Republican professors? No. There is no desire for any affirmative action for Republicans. Affirmative action is a program disseminated by liberals who think certain groups lack the talent to make it in America without help. The bill states that merit should be the only qualification for employment. Frank's statements are false.

Continuously the College Democrats have warped the Academic Bill of Rights into saying things that it does not. I have asked Chi to hold a public debate on this issue to expose the truth. He denied my request. He knows he will lose.

Sincerely,

Alexander Linhart '06

To the Editors:

I would like to comment on the hypocrisy and the mischaracterization of Republicans in Frank Chi's op-ed, "Republicans impose ideology."

First of all, not all Christians (or Republicans) believe that science and religion are incompatible. In fact, my study of science has reinforced my faith in God, because only God could create such a complex world. The process of evolution is depicted in the Book of Genesis, and the "seven days" do not correspond to humans' conception of a day. In addition, most Republicans do not believe in segregation or discrimination nor that a woman's only role is to serve her husband.

Next, Chi assumes that discrimination of conservatives in classrooms does not exist. I took a religion class my first year in which Jesus and the Gospels were mocked and the professor called me "anti-Semitic" during class solely for believing in the Gospels. I left the class crying multiple times and have avoided taking humanities courses ever since.

Finally, while I believe that professors should be hired solely based on merit, I do not understand why Democrats, who support affirmative action for every other minority group, would not support hiring more Republican professors. Since the goal of affirmative action is to increase the numbers of minority groups on campus, by that logic it is not fair that all minority groups get assistance but Republicans.

Sincerely,

Kristen Brownell '07

# Nation is on track

## You Got Conserved

by Will Hales  
COLUMNIST

The State of the Union address is an annual opportunity for the president to outline his accomplishments during the previous year, as well as his goals for the next. However, this year I have become increasingly aware, despite partisan spin, of what has gone right, of what has improved in our country and abroad.

In the past year, the Bush administration has successfully placed on the Supreme Court bench two brilliant and experienced jurists in Sam Alito and John Roberts. Their conservative leanings have

repeatedly come under fire from liberal groups, with specific regard to their positions on abortion; however, fears that these justices will spontaneously reverse the course of women's rights are ridiculous.

Both have made clear in their confirmation hearings their respect for precedent, and reluctance to "legislate from the bench." Besides, it could be worse. Tuesday night, we could have seen Harriet Miers in black sitting next to David Souter.

If their word to faithfully uphold the law regardless of political leanings isn't enough for some, maybe Alito's first decision is. On Wednesday evening, he joined the liberal bloc of the court in approving a last-minute stay of execution for Michael Taylor, a convicted murderer in Missouri.

Another indication that things are heading in the right direction is the state of our economy. The Left would love to convince the nation that President Bush's economic policy is backward, and that we are in the midst of a recession so massive that only, I don't know, a Democratic president and Congress can stem the damage.

The fact remains, however, that the United States is not in a recession; the economy has consistently grown, though modestly, for the last few years, and steadily rising interest rates reflect that growth. That our economy can grow beyond those of most of our rivals, even in the wake of high energy prices and the most destructive natural disaster in American history, is truly impressive.

The most positive change I see, beyond the Supreme Court and the economy, is also that which receives the most biased coverage. American foreign policy for the past three years has been derided as imperialistic bullying couched in lies and corruption, destined to fail in a pool of blood spilt by innocent American soldiers.

I mourn the loss of every American service person killed in

the line of duty, but I am supremely proud of the sacrifices that have liberated over 50 million people in both Iraq and Afghanistan. I recently read an op-ed by Joel Stein in the Los Angeles Times, in which he led with, "I don't support our troops." That's cute. He rails against the causes for which our troops fight, and comments, "sometimes you get lucky and get to fight ethnic genocide in Kosovo, but other times it's Vietnam." I would like Mr. Stein to argue how tens of thousands of Kurds killed in Iraq under Saddam Hussein do not constitute genocide.

*If the Democrats want the Republicans to fight a cleaner match, then they need to come up with a platform and make the Republican Party do better.*

its recruiting goals for the past seven months. Reenlistments are up. We have trained over 220,000 Iraqi soldiers and policemen to secure their own country. Elections have been held and democracies have been established in both Iraq and Afghanistan. The most important statistic, and that which activists haven't often mentioned, is that troop numbers in Iraq have been reduced by 20 percent in the past two months.

Coalition forces will leave Iraq, but we must let those fighting the war determine the strategy; a premature withdrawal would result in needless American deaths, and funding cuts won't stop the war, they'll only prevent our soldiers from having access to the equipment they need—and we already have equipment shortages.

The common thread between the judiciary, the economy, and American military action abroad is that the Democrats are not fighting their battles in a way that helps the American people. The past two presidential elections have been the Democrats' to lose, and they have. For nearly a decade, the Democratic National Committee hasn't had a platform; their platform has been that the Republicans are ruining the country. What do we do when it turns out that they're not (at least not to the extent some would argue)?

Go positive. For me, the brightest spot of Tuesday night were the calls for bipartisanship by both President Bush and Democratic Virginia Governor Tim Kaine. The Democratic party needs to have more effective and more positive figureheads than Cindy Sheehan and Joe Biden.

If the Democrats want the Republicans to fight a cleaner match, then they need to come up with a platform and make the Republican Party do better. If the Democrats come up with a platform and a few good leaders, the Republicans may be in trouble, but I can guarantee that the country will be better off.

# Hamas has killed the dream

by Neal Urwitz  
CONTRIBUTOR

I'm not even angry. Anger came and went a long time ago. No, Hamas's sudden rise to power January 25 just disappointed me. For you see, just about everyone who cares about Israel has this tantalizing dream, where an Israeli leader and a great Palestinian peacemaker spend weeks together, getting to know each other and negotiating a peace. The dream reaches its pinnacle when the two of them have a joint ceremony, Israeli and Palestinian flags intertwined, and declare a Palestinian state, economic cooperation, and, at long last, a time when parents can nurture their kids, rather than grieve for them. Then the two leaders leave, and the people they represent go their separate ways, tougher for the experience and deeply respectful of each other. Yasir Arafat put that dream on life support when he rejected Ehud Barak's offer at Camp David.

And now Hamas has pulled the plug. The disappointment I feel now is the disappointment of a dream dying.

It is almost certain that the negotiated settlement is now dead. For once, Israel and Europe agree about Israel's situation. Of course, acting Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert was clear, saying, "The state of Israel will not negotiate with a Palestinian administration if part of it is an armed terrorist organization calling for the destruction of the state of Israel." He did not have to say that the same applied if Hamas ran the administration and was more than just "part of it." The Europeans, who until this time have been con-

sistently critical of Israel, now agree. The German foreign minister said that those taking part in government and negotiation "must forswear violence and recognize Israel's right to exist. This appears to be still a long way off for Hamas." British foreign minister Jack Straw said Britain would not deal with people who practice terrorism, as Hamas does. Even Javier Solana of the European Union echoed the sentiment, saying it would be "very difficult" for the European Union to even continue funding a Hamas run government, let alone negotiating with it.

All this, however, assumes that it is Israel or Europe's decision. Of course, it is not. Hamas, which is considered a terrorist organization by the European Union as well as Israel and the United States, will never sit down with people who they think have no right to exist. Alas, it is impossible to get past the central fact that, while Israelis are sworn to build

a Palestinian state, Hamas is sworn to annihilate Israel's.

So the dream is dead. The New York Times, a doubtlessly sympathetic source, noted that "Israeli hard-liners have claimed that they had no negotiating partner [in the Palestinians.] That always seemed a debatable point, until now." Yet Israel still desperately wants a viable Palestinian state. It fears Palestinian territories in anarchy. It wants someone the world can hold responsible for terrorism, as Moammar Qaddafi is in Libya. And it wants someone who will provide jobs for Palestinians in the

territories, which is as close to a final cure for terrorism as there is. Finally, Israel is sick of losing young men and women who are patrolling a people who hate it. Israel is now in that miserable position of picking the "least bad" option. So what comes next? I don't know. Unilateral withdrawal from the territories—free of any negotiation with the Palestinians—is gaining a lot of traction in Israel. Israelis now are thinking it is the only way to achieve their aim of a Palestinian state next door without getting caught up with a Palestinian government that had just been corrupt and is now sworn to their destruction.

Golda Meir, former Israeli Prime Minister, used to talk about how she could forgive the Palestinian Liberation Organization for killing civilians and for being an enemy in a "war," but she could never forgive them for making Israel lose its idealism. The same is true now for Hamas.

*The disappointment I feel now is the disappointment of a dream dying.*

Eventually, people who care about Israel can forgive it for the bombings, though that will take time. Eventually, we can forgive it for calling us "Jewish pigs," "baby-killers," or worse. What we can never forgive in Hamas, though, is their rude obliteration of what some might call naïveté, but I prefer to call hope that we can do things better than they had ever been done before. Hamas, the terrorist organization cum political party, has done with an election what it could never do with bus bombs. It has murdered Israel's dream.

# Long-distance can be a stretch

## Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

It's time to go back to school—back to below-freezing temperatures through the middle of April and your horrible roommate who "accidentally" peed on your desk chair at the end of last semester. While winter in Maine can be a difficult time in any Bowdoin student's year, it can be that much worse when you have to leave your significant other behind. Whether he's your high school sweetheart or you met her on your abroad program, that last kiss goodbye is never easy.

Back at the beginning of the school year, I personally witnessed a plethora of tragic-looking freshmen, bundled in their newly purchased Bowdoin "sweetseeds," leaning against the entryways to their dorms with cell phones firmly attached to their ears. I overheard so many "I miss you too, baby's" and "but when are you coming to see me's" that it made me want to grab the phone and break off their relationship myself. And then, every once in a while, I secretly rejoiced in hearing a particularly malcontent, "You cheated on me with WHO? And caught WHAT?" While of course I didn't really want anybody's heart broken, it's true that many of these high school relationships didn't even get to that romantic Fall Break, which would have been spent annoying someone else's roommates with incessant baby

talk, much less the Thanksgiving so often discussed.

Though many long distance relationships seem to lose appeal when compared with the veritable cornucopia of single and attractive people we boast here at Bowdoin, some actually last, though without a good amount of trial and tribulation.

When one is in a place such as Bowdoin, with its host of engaging social events and even more engaging people partaking in said events, there are temptations. From that cute guy in your education group to that hot girl on the stage at the pub, there are bound to be people who catch your eye. The question you must ask yourself is twofold: One, is it worth ruining everything I have with Suzie High School to go home with someone who can actually "get low" when Lil' Jon tells her to, and two, honestly, what are the chances you'll get caught?

I'm kidding about the second part. Sort of.

Of course, even if you can manage to avoid all that lanyard-wearing, flip-flops-in-December-donning, first-year-seminar-attending temptation, there is always the loneliness, both emotional and, perhaps more importantly, physical. When your boyfriend graduates, or your girlfriend from abroad heads back to Connecticut, your bed suddenly feels tragically empty, and those lazy Sundays spent eating cupcakes and going to see "The Chronicles of Narnia" are just a distant memory. You long for both their companionship and their...umm...you know, companionship. Perhaps this is why that girl getting low is looking

better and better by the minute.

One particularly painful long distance relationship is the one occurring when one person graduates from Bowdoin. When those lazy Sundays have been a tradition for years, when your bed hasn't been empty since 2003, the harsh reality of being on your own in a place where everybody knows you as one-half of a couple can be extremely difficult. If you two were simply abroad together, or went to high school together, it's much easier to create that single-but-taken persona that allows you to flirt innocently and still go home alone at the end of the night.

Interestingly, although these newly alone individuals theoretically have a more difficult time than many others in long distance relationships, it seems that couples who formed while attending Bowdoin outlast those formed elsewhere. Whether it's the ability to relate to the struggles associated with being seemingly single but unable to date at Bowdoin, or simply that real love can only be real once both parties know what it's like to catch frostbite after being forced to walk home in the dead of winter from a far-flung off-campus house, Bowdoin couples who are forced to separate seem better at being able to make distance work.

With all that said, Bowdoin seems to be a place where long distance love comes to die. Whether it's a Bowdoin couple, high school sweethearts, or a European romance that has gone awry, we can all take solace in the fact that there are plenty of Polar Bears in the proverbial arctic, and many of them love Lil' Jon just as much as I do.

# Beware the web of indictment Bill could be abused

## These Revelations Will Not Be Televised



by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Do your parents keep scrapbooks of old photographs? Mine do. I'm not talking about the scrapbooks filled with photos of first steps, first birthdays, and first nude adventures in public; I'm talking about when they were in college. Have you ever seen pre-graduation college pictures of your parents? I could count the ones I've seen of mine on one hand, causing me to suspect that there are no more than five.

But in this day and age where digital cameras are as prevalent in college culture as...Oh, I don't know...bead curtains used to be, we are guaranteed to remember more about our undergraduate experience than we could ever want to.

Take, for example, web sites like Webshots.com or Snapfish.com. These sites serve the nearly exclusive function of making sure anyone who runs a seemingly innocent Google image search for "college campus + architectural decor" will find a bleary-eyed picture of you making sweet yet uncomfortable love to the polar bear statue outside Smith Union. Sure, you can use these sites to compile albums and make calendars of adorable group photos, but for every shot of you and your friends embracing and beaming with the glowing optimism of youth, there are 17 shots of you retching and grimacing with the dizzy remorse of having just drunk something on a dare.

Now, if the only consequence of your friends' itchy trigger fingers was an awkward interaction with your nine-year-old when he stumbles across your college photo database, then this webshot pandemic would not be cause for immediate concern.

But it gets much worse.

It has been reported that employers have begun using personal information sites like Facebook.com and MySpace.com to do background research on job applicants. Among many other things, this means that your first job interview after college will probably go like this:

You: So I guess what I'm trying say is I think that this company is a great fit for me, and I feel like I possess the type of responsible work ethic and professionalism that this job will require.

President of Goldman-Sachs: (slides digital prints across desk) Are these photographs of you sitting naked in a kiddie pool smoking pot out of a potato?

You: I'll show myself out.

But embarrassing job interviews are only the beginning. God help any of you (and I know there are plenty) who ever plan on running for public office. Forget tagged photos, everything on your Facebook profile is fair

*Are these photographs of you sitting naked in a kiddie pool smoking pot out of a potato?*

game. How would your P.R. team spin your former membership to the group "Tuesday Boozie Hounds" or "I Am a Homosexual Robot Who Loves You" (both real groups)? What happens when hypothetical, creatively named sophomore Joe Schmoe goes on "Hardball with Chris Matthews," fresh off his sweep of the state primaries?

Matthews: Tonight, we're talking to presidential hopeful Joe Schmoe.

Schmoe: Thanks for having me, Chris.

Matthews: Mr. Schmoe, I have records here that during your time at Bowdoin College you were a member of the Facebook.com group "Elistit Northern Liberals." Do you feel as though elitism is something to be encouraged?

Schmoe: Well no, Chris, and that was a long time ago. Since then I feel as though my perspective has matured and I have learned that...

Matthews: You also inspired the creation of a Facebook.com group called "I Hate Joe Because He Is Perpetually Belligerent and Booted All Over the Coleman Rug." How do you respond to critics that contend that, if elected, your penchant for "perpetual belligerence" will devastate U.S. foreign relations and your inability to control your vomit reflex suggests a lack of self-possession unbefitting to a national figurehead?

Schmoe: (fakes seizure).

So maybe your dad was the chug champion of his frat house, and maybe your mom and her friends streaked across the quad pickled on wine coolers every Thursday night without a shred of incriminating evidence. But things have changed since then: The Cold War is over, the Republicans took back Congress, and scientists Vinton Cerf and Bob Kahn developed a handy communications aid we now know as the "world wide web." Thanks to subsequent technological advances, a photograph taken in Maine can preclude an employment opportunity halfway across the globe within seconds!

And it's not just your future bosses who have access to this off-damning information. Your current bosses—the College administrators—also have Facebook accounts. So, yeah, you probably ought to take down those pics of you pissing on the side of Barry Mills's house. You should also delete that post on your wall that reads "Dude—remember how we pissed on Barry Mills's house?" And while you're at it, you may as well withdraw from the group "I Pissed on Barry Mills's House." These are all merely suggestions.

I leave you with this advice: have fun, but have common sense, too. With the Information Age reaching the peak of its decadence, it's not the photo of your first nude adventure in public you have to worry about; it's the photo of your most recent one.

by David Duhalde  
CONTRIBUTOR

I feel that there is a good deal missing in the current campus debate about the Academic Bill of Rights between both sides. College Republicans are crying discrimination while the College Democrats are insinuating that the Republicans wish to destroy Africana and women's studies. What has gotten lost in this dialogue apparently is no one seems to be asking where this misnomer of a bill originated and who is behind it. When students understand the right-wing source of the Academic Bill of Rights, I believe they will see why the

Bowdoin College Republicans suddenly have changed their opinion on discrimination issues.

David Horowitz, a former Marxist and now a far right-winger, is one the main sources promoting the Academic Bill of Rights. The leftist-sounding nature of the Academic Bill of Rights comes from Mr. Horowitz's Marxist background. Mr. Horowitz's goal is not to promote academic diversity, but instead to put professors in fear of alienating right-wing students. His Students for Academic Freedom (SAF), and Middle East studies oriented Campus Watch (CW), do not hide their openly anti-leftist, dogmatically pro-Israel agenda. The Academic Bill of Rights merely opens the door for abuse by the Right.

For Bowdoin students to understand the potential for abuse, it is important to look at the Academic Bill of Rights and how it has been previously abused. The third point of the Academic Bill of Rights states: "Students will be graded solely on the basis of their reasoned answers and appropriate knowl-

edge of the subjects and disciplines they study, not on the basis of their political or religious beliefs." This implies that students shouldn't be marked down for political content which is a completely fair notion. However, Mr. Horowitz and his colleagues are masters of manipulation. Mr. Horowitz's prime example of a conservative student being discriminated against for his politics was Foothill College student Ahmad al-Qloushi. Mr. al-Qloushi claimed that he failed the final exam for being too pro-American. If one takes a look at his poorly written essay, available on Mr. Horowitz's SAF web site, it is clear that al-Qloushi ignored the profes-

sor's question. While the student was asked to answer how the U.S. Constitution excluded certain groups at the time it was written, Mr. al-Qloushi went on to write the U.S.

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Constitution was the most progressive document of its time and avoided the exclusion issue. Now the student and Mr. Horowitz continue to spread the lie that Mr. al-Qloushi was marked down for his politics, not poor scholarship. The Academic Bill of Rights would allow students like Mr. al-Qloushi to avoid doing assignments properly and then complain about discrimination.

The end of fourth point of the Academic Bill of Rights reads: "While teachers are and should be free to pursue their own findings and perspectives in presenting their views, they should consider and make their students aware of other viewpoints. Academic disciplines should welcome a diversity of approaches to unsettled questions." This part has even greater chance of being manipulated by students with agendas on either side. This puts teachers, who have spent years researching their subjects, at the academic whim of the students. For example, if I feel Asian Studies Professor Lance Guo is either being too pro-China or not anti-China enough, I can complain to the deans. He can then be forced to show the class either his Maoist propaganda or ultra-right critiques of China's one-child policy. This will be done to show the class my material, to make them "aware of other viewpoints" no matter how discredited they maybe. Professor Guo's academic judgment based off of years of research and study are pushed aside so I can promote my own agenda, whatever it is.

There is nothing wrong with tackling the problem of political discrimination in academia. As a democratic socialist, I have felt political discrimination since middle school from both Democrats and Republicans. So I do agree it is important to address discrimination publicly. Students, however, should question the College Republicans, who, since I have been at Bowdoin, have opposed Affirmative Action and anti-homophobic laws, to suddenly be concerned with discrimination that affects us all. The hard truth is that if students are discriminated against they can go to other professors, deans, and President Mills for recourse. The true agenda of the Academic Bill of Rights is to allow the far right monitoring control over liberal professors.

# Liberal profs under fire across the nation

by Theo Salter  
CONTRIBUTOR

I'm the secretary of Ladd, and Sunday our representative to Bowdoin Student Government told us that the Academic Bill of Rights was being considered. I was surprised and intrigued on two levels: first, I wasn't aware I even had academic rights, and second, and more relevant, was why BSG was spending its valuable time amending it.

I got a copy of the Academic Bill of Rights, browsed it, and didn't find anything of ground-breaking interest other than the fact that we have about six clauses which can be summed up by "professors will not be hired or fired based on political or religious beliefs," "students will be graded on their work and not for their religious or political beliefs," and "faculty will not use their courses for the purpose of political, ideological, religious or anti-religious indoctrination." It seemed pretty mundane to me, as I'm sure it does to you. Basically, we're not going to judge members of the

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Bowdoin community on the basis of their beliefs. So I'll state the question again: Why are we putting intrinsic and obvious rights into writing?

At UNC, three students (incoming first years, no less) sued the college because they were forced to read something that conflicted with their "basic Christian values." At Amherst College more faculty members attended an anti-war protest than students did. All over the country there are cases of conservative students complaining that they are being "indoctrinated" with

liberal politics in the classroom. Even more shocking are claims by students who say their work is being discriminated against because it doesn't adhere to their professors' "liberal agenda."

In my humble opinion, the most important aspect of education is to get all sides of a given issue so that you can analyze the facts and come up with your own conclusions. Now there are accusations that this is not possible because of the "agendas of liberals."

There is a nation-wide attack on

liberal professors underway, although I don't believe this is a huge issue at our small college. The sad truth of the matter is that nation-wide, liberal professors outnumber conservative professors by a ratio of 7:1 and as much as 30:1 in some fields of study.

A Gallup Poll done in 2002 showed that 64 percent of Ivy League professors claimed to be politically liberal; while only six percent claimed to be conservative (the other 30 percent was moderate).

There is no question that we need to protect our students' and teachers' right to believe what they want, and moreover, they should not feel discriminated against because of their personal beliefs. But, I think these accusations by conservative students are ludicrous, especially at top tier schools. If professors want to protest the war in Iraq outside of the classroom, we have laws in the Constitution that protect them. I'm of moderate political views, and I've never felt as if I were being "indoctrinated with liberal dogma" in any of my classes. Not to mention the fact that if you're a professor of a subject like math or sci-

ence, it's very difficult to infuse your views on abortion into linear algebra or organic chemistry.

If conservatives want multiple political views to be present on campuses, perhaps they should encourage their sons and daughters to go into the field of education as opposed to business. I think the main reason that you see so few conservative professors is because professors don't tend to be conservative (I know (sorry about this stereotype) aren't interested in a life of reduced income in exchange for being able to teach and study the subject they love).

As for the UNC first years, I hope they lose the law suit, although its unlikely. Being challenged to question your faith is part of being a Christian, just as being challenged to think about liberal issues is part of being a conservative. If anything, I think it's the liberal students who should be upset that they are being deprived of fabulous conservative minds who could give them insight to other viewpoints in academia.

*But, I think these accusations by conservative students are ludicrous, especially at top tier schools.*



# The Weekly Calendar

## February 3-February 9

### Friday

#### *Beyond Bowdoin Lunch Series*

DeWitt John, environmental studies professor, discusses China's role in the global economy and environment.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
12:30 p.m.

#### *Ladysmith Black Mambazo*

Come see a live performance of Ladysmith Black Mambazo, a Grammy award-winning a capella group from South Africa. The group's style combines traditional South African music with Christian gospel.

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
7:30 p.m.

#### *Ebony Ball*

Celebrate Black History Month at a semi-formal dance open to the entire school.

Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
9 p.m.-1 a.m.

### Saturday

#### *Photography Exhibit*

Drew Fulton '06 will exhibit a collection of his most stunning photographs of the Everglades.

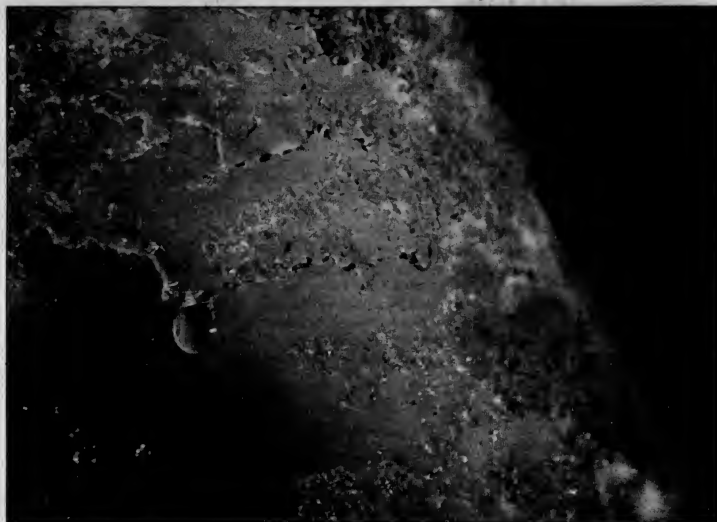
Kresge Gallery, Visual Arts Center, 6-8 p.m.

**Funeral for Taryn King '07**  
Immaculate Conception Church,  
Lowell, Massachusetts, 10 a.m.



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Snow drips down the side of a birch tree behind Stowe Hall.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

A snow formation melts on the Quad.

### Sunday

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel,  
4:30 p.m.

#### *Art Session*

Bring your own supplies and snacks to a free open life drawing session.  
South Studio Room 303, Visual Arts Center, 2-5 p.m.

#### *Communion*

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to an Episcopal communion service led by Edie and Gil Birney.  
Mitchell South Dining Room,  
Thorne Hall, 4:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### *Multimedia Presentation*

View a multimedia slide show, "Wild Utah: America's Redrock Wilderness," depicting scenes from Southern Utah. This show will be presented by Mainers For Utah Wilderness and the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance.  
Miscellaneous Room, Adams Hall, 7-9 p.m.

#### *A Look at Civil Rights*

Reginald Jones, a longtime entertainer, entrepreneur, and lecturer, will give a speech entitled, "Betrayal: Sold out by the Civil Rights Movement."  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### *Bowdoin Breakfast*

All students, faculty, and staff are welcome to a breakfast featuring speaker Mark Swann '84, executive director of Preble Street, an agency that aids low-income residents in Portland.  
Thorne Dining Hall, 7:15-9 a.m.

#### *Black Film Festival*

Come see "Cooley High," a film following the last high school days of a group of close friends living in the projects of downtown Chicago.  
Morrell Lounge Moulton Union,  
6-8 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### *Faculty Seminar Talk*

Anne Henshaw, professor of anthropology and sociology, presents "Learning Landscapes: Notions of Place, Time and Toponymy amongst Coastal Sikulilarmiut of Southwest Baffin Island, Canada."  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
12-1 p.m.

### Thursday

#### *Noontime Pilates*

Sign up in the main athletic department office to participate in a pilate class led by Kelly McCann Sewall.  
Colbath Room, Morrell Gym,  
12-1 p.m.



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## Concealed investments worry some

*Administration expresses confidence in ethics of endowment investments*

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

As Bowdoin boasts high returns on its half-billion-dollar endowment—which provides nearly a quarter of its budget annually—a small number of students have been meeting informally with President Barry Mills over the past year about concerns over whether the College's money is invested in socially responsible companies.

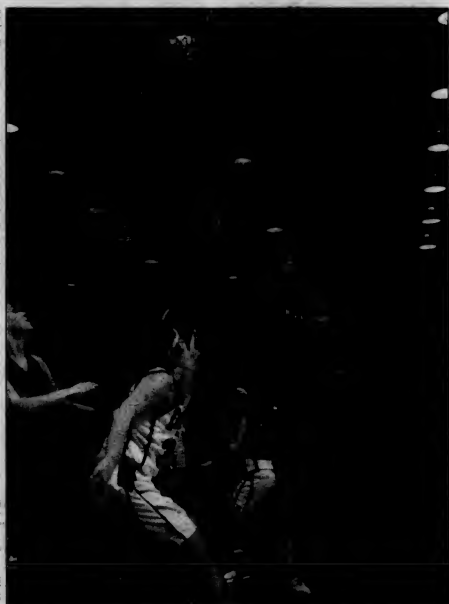
Among the students' concerns have been environmental degradation, child labor, human rights violations, and genocide—particularly in the Darfur region of Sudan.

The conflict in Sudan has led several colleges and universities in recent years to take up the issue of investment in companies that deal with the Sudanese government. A government-supported militia is widely considered responsible for the deaths of thousands in the western Sudanese region of Darfur that the Bush administration and the U.S. Congress have termed genocide. (See related story, page 3).

In April of last year, the governing body of Harvard University decided to divest from PetroChina, a Chinese company known for its partnership with the Sudanese government in oil production. Dartmouth College, Stanford University, and most recently Amherst College have also addressed the issue of Sudanese investment.

Ben Kreider '05, one of the students who met with Mills, said the

## Bears leap into NESCAC playoffs



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Justine Pourtales '06 helped the Bears maintain the nation's longest home-court winning streak at their game against Conn. College. See story, page 9.

College needs to be more active in avoiding investment in companies that he believes are not "socially responsible."

"If the college is always going to talk about the common good, then it should practice it. Right now there is no way of knowing whether we're not funding companies that do any number of horrible things, and that's something that I think really needs to be addressed," Kreider said.

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## Bowdoin rated a top Peace Corps producer

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

The growing participation of graduating Bowdoin seniors in the Peace Corps has not gone unnoticed. This year, the College entered the top 25 list for small schools generating the most Peace Corps volunteers. Bowdoin is ranked 20th.

Currently, there are 17 Bowdoin alumni serving overseas as Peace Corps volunteers. These men and women are working in Bolivia, Guinea, Guyana, Kyrgyz Republic, Mali, Mongolia, Nicaragua, Panama,

Peru, Romania, Samoa, Thailand and Togo, and are engaging in a variety of environmental, educational, business, and urban-planning projects.

Peace Corps Regional Recruiter Christopher Lins said that Bowdoin's movement up the list is not a surprise since the College has always graduated highly qualified candidates.

"Bowdoin is usually in the top 20—it's always been right up there," Lins said. He also noted that if the

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## Board to vote on tenure candidates

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

The Board of Trustees will meet this weekend in order to consider recommendations for tenure and to review the preliminary budget, upon which board members will vote in May. The College's newly revised intellectual property policy and the naming of one of the new first-year dorms are not on the agenda, according to Secretary of the College Richard Mersereau.

Mersereau said the Executive Committee voted to move forward

with the names of nine faculty who were up for tenure. One candidate's tenure recommendation is still "in progress," and may or may not be considered at this weekend's meeting.

The names of faculty that come before the trustees are rarely denied tenure because by the time they reach the board, they have been approved at every other stage, including the trustees' Academic Affairs Committee.

"Usually the amount of time taken for tenure votes at trustees meetings is relatively concise because the

process is so thorough up until this point," Mersereau said.

"It's not that there's not been a lot of discussion leading up to the votes, but by the time the board votes, it's more of a celebration of the names," he said.

Tenure vote is not the only element of this weekend's meeting that will appear streamlined, according to Mersereau.

The full board received a copy of the preliminary budget over a week ago so that if any board member

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## Dean McEwen says BSG proposal would do 'enormous harm'

*BSG clarifies recent call to create an Academic Bias Incident Group*

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

After passing a resolution that some took to be an endorsement of the Academic Bill of Rights (ABOR), Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) worked quickly on Wednesday to distance itself from it.

Following a visit to BSG from Dean of Academic Affairs Craig McEwen, who said the College will not create a proposed Academic Bias Incident Group (ABIG), and a discussion in which many of the members of BSG expressed disappointment and anger in the way the resolution had been construed, the body passed two subsequent resolutions intended to clarify its intent.

BSG clarified that its endorsement of the ABIG was not intended as an assault on professors' academic freedom and was in no way

an adaptation of the ABOR.

Last week, after four months of debate, BSG overwhelmingly rejected a proposal to endorse the ABOR, a bill intended "to secure the intellectual independence of faculty and students and to protect the principle of intellectual diversity" in a 1-19-4 vote.

After rejecting the ABOR, BSG passed a different resolution, the "Declarative Statement Endorsing the Principles of Academic Freedom," that supported the creation of the ABIG. It was to be chaired by McEwen, if created.

McEwen addressed BSG himself at this week's meeting to state that after consulting with the faculty and President Barry Mills, he decided not to create the ABIG.

"That group would do enormous harm to the freedom of expression in classrooms on campus," McEwen said.

"It would have precisely the opposite effect that one might intend by creating essentially a surveillance group for any comments that are made in classroom, and that is going

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## Security radios in WBOR show

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

It is the job of the Department of Safety and Security to keep the Bowdoin community safe. This year, Security has also made it its job to keep the Bowdoin community entertained.

On their WBOR 91.1 FM show "Listen!" which airs from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursdays, Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols and Assistant Director of Safety and Security Mike Brown try to do both. Their show combines music, guest interviews, and discussion linked by a common theme of educating listeners about issues relating to their safety and well-being.

"Every single show we do...there's a major safety theme to it," Nichols said. "But we don't bludgeon people with it or lecture



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Nichols and Brown mix music and interviews with safety education.

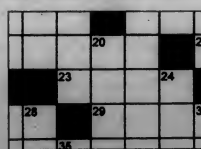
people about safety, because that's a major turn-off."

"We mix up the content of the show quite a bit," he said. "We play a lot of music, we have some

laughs, we have a lot of guests in, students come in...we try to have a local flavor to it."

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## Trustees meet for weekend-long meeting



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Members of the board of trustees met with Young Alumni Leadership Program students on Thursday night for an informal discussion.

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had a serious question about the document, it could be resolved prior to the meeting.

"Good governance is transparent," Mersereau said. "You want a process where the trustees are informed early enough and well enough that if people have a problem, they have a chance to raise it along the way."

In addition to the discussions of the budget and the vote for tenure, the trustees will also approve upcoming capital projects, approve honorary degree recipients, and tour the Walker Art Building, which is currently undergoing a major renovation.

Also included in the agenda is a vote to approve the acquisition of 66 Harpswell Road.

"There is an ongoing list of properties that we do not aggressively pursue, but these are properties that, if they became available, we'd look into buying them at the right price," Mersereau said. The Harpswell property is on this list.

The trustees' schedule also includes a private breakfast with President Barry Mills, a tradition that Mills instituted upon his appointment in order to facilitate free discussion among board members.

"It's simple but it's genius," Mersereau said. "Why not give the trustees an opportunity this weekend to sit down and talk, with no agenda, about those issues that cut across lines and don't fit into any committee?"

"No one's taking notes and no one's going to be reporting back to anyone. Often as a result of those meetings, things will find their way onto future agendas," he said.

The trustees will meet again on campus in May, but their fall 2006 meeting will be in Boston in coordination with the College's public announcement of the capital campaign. The College hopes to have \$125 million in hand or in pledges by November, in an effort to reach its overall goal of \$250 million.

Although the College wants to give trustees the opportunity to be present at the public launching of the campaign, "there's no substitute for coming to campus and having the opportunity to meet with faculty and students," Mersereau said.

The newly selected candidate for the position of Dean for Academic Affairs Cristle Collins Judd will be present at this weekend's events in order to start meeting the trustees, according to Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley.

## CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT:

2/1 to 2/8

### Wednesday, February 1

•Department of Safety and Security staff met with a student group for a general discussion on campus safety. The meeting was organized by the Bowdoin Student Government.

### Thursday, February 2

•A student was cited for an alcohol policy violation at Jack Magee's Pub.

### Friday, February 3

•There was a verbal and physical altercation between two students at Jack Magee's Pub, resulting in a disorderly conduct report being filed with the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

•A blue light emergency phone was activated at Smith House. Officers responded and dispersed an unregistered event.

•A staff member discovered damage to a Bowdoin escort van.

### Saturday, February 4

•A fire alarm was activated at Moulton Union, apparently caused by balloons at the Ebony Ball.

•There was an alcohol policy violation at Helmeich House

involving a small group of students in the common area playing a drinking game.

•The SAFE Ride van was damaged when the driver backed into a tree at the Red Brick House on Pleasant Street.

### Sunday, February 5

•A staff member reported damage to the front door of 30 College Street.

•A student who dislocated her shoulder at Coleman Hall was transported to Parkview Hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

### Monday, February 6

•Security identified a student responsible for vandalism to a door at the entrance to Thorne Dining Hall that occurred in December. The matter will be referred to the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

### Wednesday, February 8

•Security responded to a report of an injured person at the Farley Field House track. The person was treated on site by staff.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security

## Students, faculty urge dialogue on investment choices

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Vice President of Investments Paula Volent expressed confidence in the ethics of Bowdoin's investments.

"I can't even think about one investment that I'd worry about in terms of social issues," she said.

In an interview with the Orient, Mills said he was receptive to the thoughts of the students, yet expressed concern about the difficulty of defining the term "socially responsible."

"What is socially responsible for some is not socially responsible for others," Mills said. "Although there are some examples like Darfur where people would differ less."

Mills underscored the importance of the endowment in supporting the mission of the College and pointed to financial aid as one of the most important programs funded by the endowment.

"It is socially responsible to provide financial aid to as many students as we can," Mills said.

Kreider called on the administration to make its endowment holdings more public.

"Mills never really gave me what I was looking for in terms of any sort of specifics on where our money actually goes. I understand for reasons of competitiveness that there has to be some sort of secrecy, but I think there is too much," he said.

According to Volent, the College maintains industry-standard secrecy in its investments in part because of confidentiality agreements with some of its fund managers. She also said that releasing such information could decrease the endowment's growth.

### Bowdoin's endowment holdings

A report released in December by the Allard K. Lowenstein International Human Rights Project at Yale Law School identified a list of companies that were definitely or potentially doing business in Sudan.

The Orient asked Volent whether any of Bowdoin's funds held equity in the companies listed in the report. Of the funds that make their holdings available to the College, none were invested in companies on the list.

However, the College is not able to access the specific holdings of some of its funds. For these funds, Volent said, Bowdoin is unable to state whether they contain companies on the Lowenstein list.

She said that since some of the Lowenstein companies are listed on popular indices such as the S&P 500 and the MSCI EAFE index, many investors likely have exposure to the companies through index fund holdings of investments like retirement funds.

Volent questioned the logic of assuming all companies that do business in Sudan are worth divesting from, noting that the presence of some companies may be beneficial for the Sudanese people and that the exit of some companies may make the situation worse.

Both Mills and Volent said that from their perspectives, the key to investing responsibly was choosing ethical fund managers with whom to invest.

"Our job is selecting reputable,

honest, and trustworthy folks to preserve and maintain our endowment," said Mills.

"We do a very, very rigorous due diligence process. The due diligence process will be meeting with a manager, their team, their back office, and all of the people involved in the fund multiple times," Volent said. "As far as social responsibility, we ask questions concerned with ethics. If there are any ethical questions, it just doesn't come up to the investment committee as a recommendation because we don't want the risk."

### Recent action by Amherst College

The Board of Trustees of Amherst College unanimously voted last month to bar direct investment in 19 companies it determined to have involvement with the government of Sudan.

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Ben Kreider '05

While Amherst did not currently have any money directly invested in these companies to divest, it did say that some of the funds it invested in had holdings that included some of the banned companies. In response to these holdings, the board resolved to make its position on Sudanese investment clear to its fund managers.

"We want to be sure that our investment managers understand our stance on this important issue as they consider their own investment strategies," said Amherst trustee Bill Ford, as quoted by the Amherst's Office of Public Affairs.

The board's resolution did note, however, that it believed divestment as a remedy should only be used in extreme cases.

"A divestment action should be considered rarely and only in the face of human atrocities that are wholly inconsistent with the moral and ethical values of Amherst College," read the board's resolution.

In response to the Amherst action, Mills expressed skepticism about its potential to make a real impact.

"It's a wonderfully symbolic statement," he said. "Whether it is effective in any respect remains to be seen."

Asked if he would support a similar action at Bowdoin, Mills responded, "I think it would only be worth it if it had a material effect on the companies involved."

Mills warned that putting restrictions on investments might make Bowdoin a less attractive investor to fund managers.

He did not, however, rule out action relating to Sudan.

"There may be more news to follow, there may be not," he said.

### Bowdoin's 1980s divestment from South Africa

In 1978, President William Enteman recommended the creation of a special advisory committee to look into Bowdoin's investments in South Africa in light of apartheid, the system of government-sponsored racial segregation

that existed there until the early 1990s.

The ad hoc committee recommended Bowdoin divest from companies substantially involved in South Africa. It also suggested the formation of a permanent subcommittee on the Board of Trustees to look into matters of ethical investing.

Associate Professor of History and Africana Studies Randy Stakeman served on the initial advisory committee.

"We started out looking at South Africa and realized that it was just the tip of the iceberg," Stakeman said. "I certainly think that the committee was prescient that [South Africa] wasn't going to be the last of these issues."

The advisory committee also recommended that Bowdoin give scholarship money to support South African students.

"What our committee learned was that divestment isn't the last step, it's the first step," Stakeman said.

As a result of the advisory committee's suggestions, and significant student and faculty activism, the trustees created in 1981 a Subcommittee on Social Responsibility, which reported to the board's Committee on Investments. The College ultimately did divest from certain funds that had holdings in companies with substantial involvement in South Africa.

### Calls for action

Professor of Religion and Asian Studies John C. Holt served on the subcommittee during the 1994-1995 academic year, the committee's last year of existence.

Holt remembered that the subcommittee was not very active at that time since the South African issue seemed to be resolved.

"Maybe it's time to reinvent this committee," Holt said.

Stakeman agreed, citing a need for more discussion on the issue of investment in Sudan.

"I think there is a big lack of information. Having a committee to sort through it will bring about the right decision," Stakeman said.

Currently, the mandate of the Board of Trustees' Investment Committee, as defined by the board's by-laws, does not specifically call for the committee to consider issues of social responsibility.

When asked if he saw a need for a committee on ethical investing, Mills encouraged dialogue but stopped short of endorsing such a move.

"I'm not a great one for committees," he said. "I'm one for discussion."

Volent urged students to seriously study issues of corporate governance and investing.

"I think it's always good to have a dialogue and to realize the implications of the investment or the company that you are supporting," Volent said.

Sophomore Sam Minot, who also met with Mills, noted the importance of student involvement.

"Unless there was a lot of interest from the student body, there was not much action we could take," he said.

Minot said his next goal was to try to raise student awareness about investment issues.



## McEwen will not create Academic Bias Incident Group

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to have a chilling effect on students and faculty."

"Classrooms are places in which we honor the opportunity to make critical comments and where faculty have the mandate to make students uncomfortable by challenging assumptions and preconceptions, by raising questions about fundamental values. That's part of what a liberal education is about. If we don't make students uncomfortable we're not doing our job," McEwen said.

Vice President for BSG Affairs Dustin Brooks '08 explained that the student government modeled the proposed Academic Bias Incident Group after the College's Bias Incident Group.

"The intent behind it was to provide another venue for the discussion of concerns of academic freedom. This is no form of the ABOR and in many ways it strikes an opposing balance," Brooks said.

Following the passage of the resolution, the Maine College Republicans published a press release with the headline "Bowdoin College Student Government Endorses Academic Bill of Rights." The release was reprinted on the Northern Maine news web site,

The Magic City Morning Star. This distressed some members of BSG who felt that their intent had been misconstrued.

"As a member of this body, I am embarrassed with the media attention this has received," said BSG Representative for the Class of 2006 Kendall Brown, who voted against both resolutions.

"It completely undermines the last four months we've been discussing [the issue] to have it misstated in all these different press releases. I really take this as an affront to this body that this happened," she said.

Alex Linhart '06, representative-at-large to the BSG and chairman of the Bowdoin College Republicans, offered a contrasting view.

resolution. I hope that this is an assertion of student and BSG power that the faculty and administration will take seriously," he said.

Following McEwen's comments, BSG confirmed its rejection of the bill of rights and clarified the intent of its incident group proposal. Confirmation of the ABOR's rejection passed unanimously, and clarification of the ABIG passed 18-1, with two members abstaining.

BSG Representative for the Class of 2008 Ben LeHay proposed a repeal of the original ABIG resolution, saying that he felt the other resolutions were not strong enough in their language.

"This is not only embarrassing, it's enraging," said LeHay, referring to the media coverage.

"There was no follow-up that this wasn't true. I feel like it was very deliberate."

Other BSG members spoke of a need to more carefully consider their actions.

"We were quick to put a vote to the ABIG and I think a lot of it came out of our frustration," Brown said. "We should vote very carefully. We need to remember that our votes not only represent ourselves but the student body."

BSG President DeRay McKesson '07 said that this experience should serve as a lesson for the group.

"This taught people on student government what it means for us to act in a way that some of them had not understood fully," he said.

"We passed something that was vague. We endorsed this ABIG in spirit. The words are not what people really thought they were voting for."

According to McKesson, BSG has created a working group, headed by Vice President of Academic Affairs Shrinidi Mani '06, to continue to address the concerns of students who felt that they were victims of discrimination in the classroom.

"The issue is alive and well," McKesson said.

## Students called to action at Darfur panel discussion

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Colby College Professor of Sociology Jonathan White called students to action at the Darfur Teach-In Thursday evening and urged them to work together to end conflict and human rights abuses in Sudan.

"There's a massive university movement that is taking place," White said. "It is student action from the United States that led the way to the divestment movement. You have no right to say that you can't make a difference," he said.

The Darfur Teach-In, sponsored by Global Justice, Democratic Society, Students for Peace, Hillel, and Americans for an Informed Democracy, was held in a filled-to-capacity Beam Classroom.

Leading the panel discussion alongside White were Assistant Professor of History David Gordon and Visiting Assistance Professor of Government Shelley Deane.

Gordon opened the discussion by providing historical background for the Darfur conflict, explaining, "The first cause of conflict is environmental, the intensity of conflict increased with drought and famine. Conflict became war, [and] the war encouraged groups to stage a wider rebellion against Sudan's central regime."

"The region needs peacekeepers, perhaps U.N. peacekeepers," Gordon continued. "A period of peace is necessary to begin to address the problems, but the structural problems make peace very difficult."

Deane took the stage as the second panelist, utilizing a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Darfur: Whose War is it Anyway?" Outlining the sources of conflict in Darfur, Deane cited the lack of natural resources, food scarcity, and ethnic and cultural conflict.

Deane went on to discuss the cost of the Darfur conflict, citing statistics that out of the Darfur population of six million, 2.5 million are affected

by the conflict. According to Deane, another 1.65 million people have been displaced as a result of conflict, including 200,000 refugees in Chad.

She clarified that the figure of 70,000 deaths in Darfur is inaccurate because it reflects only deaths due to disease and malnutrition, not deaths directly resulting from the conflict in the region.

Deane also pointed out that despite the establishment of a peace agreement in Sudan, Darfur was excluded from it.

While the United Nations declared that it has a responsibility to become involved in the conflict to prevent the human rights abuses of the region, Deane said that challenges included the astronomical cost of intervention, troop extensions, the fact that Sudan is the world's third largest oil producer, and connection between the Sudanese military intelligence commander and Al Qaeda.

Last to speak, White used Harvard University's activist movement to battle the Darfur conflict as an example of both student involvement in human rights movements and divestment in organizations invested in companies fueling the genocide that is taking place.

White also addressed the unusual fact that while the United States had labeled the Darfur conflict genocide, the international community has not. Usually, he said, the reverse is true.

"It has elements of genocide, which means we have a responsibility to take action, particularly as a superpower in the world," White said.

Sophomore Kate Chin said the teach-in opened her eyes to a number of opportunities to get involved.

"I learned a lot about the student organizations both on campus and around the world," Chin said.

Liza Cohen '08 agreed.

"It was inspiring to hear what students at other colleges have done," she said.

## Peace Corps sends 17 alums abroad

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rankings were done on a per capita basis, Bowdoin would fall in the top five of all of the schools in the country.

Lins links Bowdoin students' desire to join the Peace Corps to their experiences abroad.

"Most Bowdoin Peace Corps applicants studied abroad. This got them interested in studying more overseas," Lins said.

Individual reasons for joining the Peace Corps vary, and Lins notes that there is a generational component to student interest.

"Many applicants know someone who has done it before. We're at that second generation where so many applicants have parents that went overseas," he said.

This generational effect is exemplified by Ryan Helminiak '06 who is considering joining the Peace Corps.

"I first started thinking about it because my mom said she had considered it when she was younger," Helminiak said.

As a biology and history double major, Helminiak has finished his degree work at Bowdoin and is now residing in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, for the

semester. Helminiak will graduate in May.

Helminiak is contemplating traveling to a part of Southern Africa to engage in medical assistance.

"I'm in the health extension program. I would like to help with AIDS prevention," he said.

Helminiak hopes to work in the medical field in the future, and notes that the Peace Corps experience would be "a good way to get my foot in the door."

According to Lins, Bowdoin students are certainly right for the demands of the Peace Corps. Lins claims that the Maine environment has a lot to do with the success of Bowdoin students abroad.

"Mainers are my favorite, and there are a lot of Mainers at Bowdoin," Lins said.

"Mainers tend to do better overseas. They have a great sense of community. They're more creative," he said.

Lins also acknowledged that most Bowdoin alumni do well abroad because of their keen sense of the outdoors.

"There's definitely an adventure spirit here. You have to have that to work overseas," he said.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

\*Attendance: 23/26. Absent: Ray Carta '08, Molly Dorkey '06, Mike Lobiondo '06.

\*Bree Dallinga '06 and Clark Gascoigne '08 attended the meeting to voice their disapproval of the endorsement of the Academic Bias Incident Group.

\*The BSG Facilities Committee has released a new shuttle schedule for the weekends.

\*BSG and the Colby Student Government are looking to plan a Bowdoin-Colby field day.

\*Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen spoke and answered questions about faculty and administration response to the Academic Bias Incident Group proposal. (See story, page 1).

\*A confirmation of the rejection of the Academic Bill of Rights passed unanimously.

\*A resolution to clarify the Academic Bias Incident Group proposal passed 18-1, with two members abstaining.

\*A motion to repeal the Academic Bias Incident Group proposal failed, with nine votes in favor, 11 against, and one abstention.

### Perry-MacMillan museum introduces iPod audio tour

The Perry-MacMillan Arctic Museum recently introduced an audio iPod tour, which visitors can plug into to hear both commentary on the exhibits and the natural sounds of the arctic north.

The audio tour, written by Curatorial Intern Emma Bonanomi '05 and narrated by Gardiner Holland '06, features Museum Director Susan Kaplan and Curator Genevieve LeMoine and supplements the museum's newest exhibit, "This Extraordinary Paradise: Living in Northwest Greenland."

Visitors to the exhibit can borrow iPods from the museum free of charge. The audio tour is 35 minutes long and is also available at the iTunes Music Store online.

### Longfellow to be honored at community celebration

The community of Brunswick will celebrate the life of 1825 Bowdoin graduate Henry

Wadsworth Longfellow during the second annual "Longfellow Days," to be held from February 11 to March 4.

The celebration will include a range of events, from poetry readings, lectures, concerts, to family activities and house tours. The event's theme is Longfellow's famed poem, "Evangeline," and the celebrations will have an Acadian cultural theme.

Bowdoin students and community members will work together during the three-week celebration to collect oral histories from local citizens from the rich French-heritage of Acadia.

During the week of February 13, Longfellow Days will sponsor poets in each of Brunswick's elementary schools.

Other events, sponsored by the Brunswick Downtown Association and Bowdoin College, include a screening of the silent film "Evangeline," a Cajun and Acadian dance concert, personal silhouette portraits, and horse and buggy rides on the Brunswick Mall.

For more information, visit [www.brunswickdowntown.com](http://www.brunswickdowntown.com).

### Girls and Women in Sports Day intended to inspire locals

Young female athletes from Brunswick, Topsham, Harpswell, Bath, Freeport, and Falmouth will join Bowdoin women to celebrate the College's annual Girls and Women in Sports Day next week. The event, to be held on February 18, is organized by the Bowdoin field hockey, soccer, rugby, and volleyball teams and will include breakfast with a guest speaker and a rotating sports clinic led by members of the women's teams.

"The day is meant to celebrate women being able to participate in sports and to have the local aspiring young athletes interact with college athletes," event co-organizer Grace Moore '08 said.

After the clinic, participants will be invited to attend a Bowdoin women's hockey game against Elmira. Women interested in helping to lead the event should contact Grace Moore ([gmoores@bowdoin.edu](mailto:gmoores@bowdoin.edu)) or Kate Chin ([cchin@bowdoin.edu](mailto:cchin@bowdoin.edu)).

—Compiled by Anne Riley

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

## A Day in Maine: visiting Portland Head Light

by Emily Gabranski  
CONTRIBUTOR

Waves crash against the brown rocky coast sending white spray straight up to the gray sky. Visibility on the ocean is low as the salt-water-taffy-green sea is barely distinguishable in pelting rain and overwhelming fog.

The only recognizable stimuli are a horn blasting across the sea every 30 seconds and a blinding light that rotates 80 feet up in the air. Both of these warnings are sent from Portland Head Light, the oldest functioning lighthouse in Maine.

One of Maine's most photographed structures, Portland Head was built in 1791 by the Massachusetts Legislature in order to protect sailors entering Portland near Cape Elizabeth. The white light tower was joined by the distinctive red-roofed keeper's quarters in 1816.

The lighthouse stands on a large, undeveloped portion of land that was used as Cape Elizabeth's first military fortification called Fort Williams. The fort was purchased by the town of Cape Elizabeth in 1964 and has since become a park that is open daily to visitors. The park is home to Fort Williams in addition to Portland Head Light and the small museum there.

Despite the driving rain and whipping wind, Fort Williams Park is not entirely deserted. In a parking lot that will be packed with the first signs of summer, two cars sit with their engines running and front windshields facing the ocean.

One woman sits gazing at the wind-tossed lobster buoys while slowly eating her lunch in peace. More curious, the other driver ventures out of the warmth of his SUV to scan the beach for treasures washed up by the crashing surf.

This is not the weather of a sunny day in July when visitors come to the park seeking the cool breeze off the ocean to combat the oppressive heat. On this day the wind is cold and taxing, but it



Emily Gabranski for The Bowdoin Orient

It has been guiding ships to safety since 1791 in rain or shine; regardless of the weather, Portland's Head Light is a Maine attraction that you do not want to miss.

is still easy to imagine the possibilities available on a warm, clear day.

The shoreline around the lighthouse is inaccessible and rocky, but easily enjoyed from adjacent fields that expand throughout the 90-acre park. These mowed plains are perfect for relaxing in the sun, flying a kite, or playing catch. Picnic tables and pavilions are readily available throughout the park for visitors wishing to spend the day at Portland Head Light.

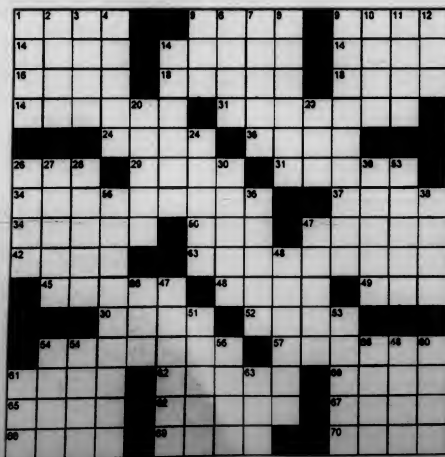
In addition to the typical facets of a park, Fort Williams is an interesting historic site because of the remaining structures open for public exploration. Two aged lookout points created in the 1800s provide access to sweeping views of the water as well as offering a panoramic view of Fort Williams Park. Located nearby the batteries is Goddard Mansion, whose stone walls still stand erect on a hill. Although tourists are banned from entering the hollow structure, it continues

to memorialize Cape Elizabeth's past.

Sightseers also have access to the Museum at Portland Head Light between Memorial Day and Labor Day. This award-winning museum features displays about the history of the lighthouse and, more generally, lighthouses in Maine. Since the museum is in the former light keeper's quarters, it also allows the public to understand the life of the people who took care of the lighthouse in the early twentieth century.

The variety of organized activities available during the summer at Portland Head Light is greater than these during the winter months; however, this should not discourage the creative visitor. The chilly Maine weather transforms Fort Williams into a place entirely different from that in the summer. In order to truly appreciate the beauty of Cape Elizabeth's shoreline, it is necessary to visit in both rain and shine, in both balmy and wintry weather.

### WEEKLY CROSSWORD NO. 1



#### ACROSS

- 1 Last seen on campus in the late nineties
- 5 Replaces a striker
- 9 What children make
- 13 Flavor of sherbet
- 14 Latin "Earth"
- 15 Dog food brand
- 16 Pocket rockets
- 17 Head growth
- 18 Bludgeon
- 19 First-years may mistake this house for the admissions building
- 21 Infidellers
- 23 Thin
- 25 Half
- 26 Inclined
- 29 Amorphous
- 31 Sheer net fabric
- 34 Pod (2 words)
- 37 Hosted a campus-wide luau
- 39 To betray (slang)
- 40 Time abbr.

#### DOWN

- 42 Duke of \_\_\_\_\_
- 43 Rhythm keeper
- 45 Female spirit of nature
- 48 Big cat
- 49 Miserable
- 50 Stray
- 52 Chances of winning
- 54 Make happy (2 words)
- 57 Only social house allowed to use its balcony
- 61 Hawaiian island
- 62 Hello, but also goodbye
- 64 Decorative needle case
- 65 Energy cartel
- 66 Guitar playing method
- 67 Green Gables dweller
- 68 Net
- 69 Web page
- 70 Prego's competition

#### DOWN

- 1 Excess flesh
- 2 Costa \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 New York stock market
- 4 Blood or history \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Dead or Red \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Urban residence
- 7 Tapestry
- 8 Hound dog
- 9 Named after explorer Donald
- 10 French "her"
- 11 Reeled
- 12 Cry
- 14 Excite
- 20 Arm's knee
- 22 Flightless bird
- 24 Slow way to connect to the internet
- 26 Church part
- 27 Nut
- 28 Linger
- 30 Pepper plant
- 32 Nigerian capital
- 33 Water retention
- 35 Maine's parent house
- 36 2:1, for example
- 38 Tinted
- 41 Owned apartment
- 44 Hillary \_\_\_\_\_ Clinton
- 46 "Raven" author
- 47 Annoy
- 51 Many prefix
- 53 Use bad language
- 54 Cod and of Good Hope
- 55 Plural of 63-down.
- 56 Opp. of starboard
- 58 Sicilian volcano
- 59 Breather
- 60 In \_\_\_\_\_ of
- 61 Your creator
- 63 Singular of 55-down

Adam Kommel, The Bowdoin Orient

For a new puzzle and answers to this puzzle, see next week's Orient.

# A student asks: "how much exercise is too much?"

## Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: Can you get too much exercise? —E.D.

Dear E.D.: The National Institutes of Health, the Surgeon General and the American College of Sports Medicine, among many others, have long advocated regular, moderate-intensity exercise. These recommendations are based on a very long series of epidemiologic studies that have shown that moderate exercise is protective against heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, osteoporosis, colon cancer, anxiety and depression, and pre-senile dementia, to name only the most obvious few! Thirty minutes or so per day, most days of the week, is what we all need.

Now, if 30 minutes per day is good, is 60 minutes better? Or 90 minutes? Or more? Well, it depends on a number of factors, but probably most importantly on your diet.

Muscles preferably burn carbohydrates for fuel, primarily in the form of glycogen, which is stored in liver and muscle cells. Glycogen stores are used up, however, after 90 minutes or so of moderate-intensity exercise—if no additional carbohydrates are taken in before or during the workout. When glycogen stores run low, muscles start burning protein for energy (mainly by cannibalizing themselves). The result is fatigue, "bonking," or "hitting the wall."

There's not much you can do to expand your glycogen stores beyond this 90-minute capacity. You can carbo-load before a strenuous workout. You'll need to replenish your stores with carbohydrate-rich snacks after exercising. And you'll need to maintain those stores with carbohy-

drate-adequate meals every day. If they're not adequately replenished, you'll just hit that "wall" even faster!

You'll also need those carbs to fuel tissue repair and to help build up muscle mass. A reasonable guideline is six to seven grams of carbohydrate per kilogram of body weight per day, if you're exercising at moderate intensity for an hour daily. You'll also need to eat enough protein, of course: about one gram per kilogram per day to maintain muscle mass, and more to build it up.

And then there's your skeleton. Regular weight-bearing exercise is needed to build-up bone strength. Over-exercising, however, can actually decrease bone density. A number of other factors can as well, including excessive intake of salt, caffeine, soft drinks, alcohol, Vitamin A and protein. Caloric restriction, or inadequate caloric intake for exercise needs, is particularly harmful to bones. Additionally, here in Maine, where winter daylight hours are short, you might need some extra Vitamin D.

Poor nutrition has direct metabolic effects on bone growth and repair. Low body weight itself also prevents bone strengthening by not providing adequate

mechanical support for bone motion. Most importantly for women, however, is a critical balance between exercise, nutrition, and hormonal function.

Adequate estrogen levels are crucial for building calcium into bones. Over-exercising quickly leads to decreased estrogen production and loss of bone density. If you're not on birth control pills, estrogen loss will be signaled first by amenorrhea, or loss of your periods. In this setting,

amenorrhea is a clear warning sign that you are over-exercising, under-eating, or both. Birth control pills will not replace this lost estrogen. And because you'll still get your "pill periods" (and thus won't have an early warning sign), you might

need medical and nutritional assessment to determine your risk for osteoporosis.

We exercise for a variety of reasons. Most are health-promoting, but unfortunately, not all. Like eating disorders, some exercising is in no small part driven by our cultural preoccupations with distorted, idealized body images and lifestyle expectations. This is particularly true for "obligatory" or "compulsive exercisers," who repeatedly exercise beyond the requirements of good health or training, often

beyond the limits of what is safe. For them, exercise is no longer fun or satisfying, no longer even a free choice. It becomes something necessary and essential, an obligation to meet, in spite of injuries, too much time taken away from other activities, and possibly damaged relationships.

Many people who struggle with disordered eating also struggle with compulsive exercising. It becomes a way to burn calories, to "gain permission" to eat, to "relieve the guilt" of having eaten or binged. Exercise

becomes another way to purge, another way to try to take control and hide from emotional pain. Quite appropriately, this kind of exercise has been called "Anorexia Athletica." It cries out for the same multi-disciplinary, long-term treatments required by all eating disorders.

So, E.D.: try to eat a rounded, well-balanced diet, and Happy (Moderate) Exercising! Be well!

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center

*Like eating disorders, some exercising is in no small part driven by our cultural preoccupations with distorted idealized body images and lifestyle expectations*



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# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

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## Troupe shows off improv abilities



Courtesy of Daniel Brady '08

Bowdoin's improvisational comedy troupe Improvabilities will put on its second show of the year on Saturday night in Kresge Auditorium. Members of the group are seen here posing with President Barry Mills (center).

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

Single men at Bowdoin College who are dreading a dateless Valentine's Day: Improvabilities has a solution.

Julia Bond '09.

All that's left is for these boys to show up to the Improvabilities show Saturday night at 8 p.m. in Kresge Auditorium. If they lose out on the date, at least they can see a night of great sketch comedy. To explain how Bond will be auctioned off on Saturday night, co-director Dan Brady '08 said, "On Saturday we'll play our own version of 'The Dating Game' in

which a member of the audience will end up winning a date with our very own Julia Bond. The two previous times the group played this game, it turned out to be hilarious."

Good luck to Bond, then, hoping that none of these questions will have embarrassing consequences. As one of her fellow females, Emily Goodridge '08, said, "The most difficult thing for me is being a girl. Improv, in general, is dominated by guys and it's easy to get overwhelmed, but it's a challenge and I like that."

But, at least that challenge has its benefits. Goodridge continued, "Twice a week I get to spend a couple of hours with ridiculously funny people, and [imitating a British accent] I seldom leave practice without having peed my pants."

Then again, Improvabilities may thrive on embarrassing moments like these. Bond didn't reveal anything about her plans for the dating game on Saturday night, but did offer some insight into her new foray into improv comedy.

"Improv is something that forces you to put yourself out there in a way that not many other activities do," she said.

"You're up there on the stage with

no idea of whether or not you're going to have a good idea, or be remotely funny, or look like an idiot. You gain a type of confidence that you can't gain by doing many other activities."

The group also benefits from the return of co-director Anthony DiNicola '07, who spent last semester at the O'Neill National Theater Institute.

"Every semester is different with improv, and it's all about getting a new feel with new members and new energies," he said. "There are some great new first-years here this year that I have been working with in rehearsal, and I am having a great time working with them."

While the laughs make it seem

like the show is all fun, the group members work hard with the others onstage to make the audience enjoy the show.

"Considering how whimsical it appears to be, improv has a surprising amount of structure," said Brady. "It's been said that the only real

rule of improv is agreement. Sometimes you have good ideas that you think will be funny, but you have to abandon them because your scene partner wants the scene to go in a different direction."

The necessary sacrifice in improv comedy makes it an entirely different and almost more difficult performance than stand-up comedy, in addition to the fly-by-the-seat-of-your-pants style.

"You can't really have an ego in improv, because the scene is more important than who thought of it. It's instinctive to try and create a scene that you think of on the spot, but other people have brilliant ideas, and sometimes sitting back and taking the lead is the best way to perform a scene," said Bond.

With these instincts, Bond may make a great "Dating Game" prize. And if the conversation flags and everyone's out of brilliant ideas, she probably won't be offended if she gives her date a laugh.

## Fashions to fit your professional future

by Monica Ruzicka and  
Vanessa Kitchen  
COLUMNISTS

With Eastern College Career Day coming up and interviews looming for jobs and summer internships, proper attire is necessary to make the right impression. This is time a when all those "Ms. Manners" tips for dressing are actually applicable. It may seem old-fashioned, but picking the right color pantyhose makes a difference if your interviewer only has an hour to decide whether he or she thinks you have what it takes to join the company.

For starters, keep your outfit basic. Girls, go for a two-piece suit in dark blue, black, brown, pinstripes, or gray. Skirts are actually preferred over pants, but make sure the skirt falls at or below the knee. Sit down in a chair when trying on a skirt, because that's what you'd be doing in the interview. Gauge the length and fit both standing up and sitting down.

Look for tailored and conservative pieces. Pair your suit with a white or ivory shirt that is again, conservative! Low-necked tops may be great for the pub, but they are inappropriate if you're trying to be taken seriously by a potential employer.

Whatever the weather, wear sheer, skin-colored hose, and bring an extra pair in your purse in case they run. Do not go into an interview with a visible run in your stockings—that just screams, "Not put together!"

Stick with closed-toe shoes with the heels below two and a half inches; teetering in stilettos is not the most professional way to enter the room. Avoid flashy jewelry—go for simple earrings in gold or silver, studs are best (one earring per ear). Less is more, ladies. Lastly, take out those other piercings and cover all tattoos. Displaying a tongue ring probably won't land you that office job.

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## Sick of blockbusters? See a doc

by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST

Last week's Academy Award nominations included "Darwin's Nightmare," "Murderball," and "Enron: The Smartest Guys in the Room."

Never heard of these movies? Well, that's probably because they're documentaries.

Although the documentary is one of the oldest genres of film, it still suffers from a lack of exposure. Few docs, with the exception of films like "Fahrenheit 9/11" or "March of the Penguins," get wide distribution, and thus never reach audiences that may be interested. Many an excellent documentary has fallen by the wayside due to a lack of support, while inferior mainstream movies earn tens of millions of dollars.

However, this process is starting to change for the better. In 2003, when film critic Kenneth Turan of the Los Angeles Times made his top 10 list, he put all documentaries as his number 1. He wrote that it was the best year for documentaries in the history of the genre—a statement that made people take note.

More mainstream moviegoers became aware of documentaries at the 2002 Oscars. When Michael Moore won for "Bowling for Columbine" and



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Michael Moore has acquired fame for making controversial documentaries such as "Bowling for Columbine" and "Fahrenheit 9/11" (above)

one's time?

Unlike most fiction films, there is no prerequisite to siding with the protagonists; in fact that's not the goal. The goal is to get statements from different people and to consider human nature from a realistic perspective rather than through the eyes of a main character. There is a thrill in seeing real people, real situations and real opinions depicted.

tions, it is a place where filmmakers can present more controversial messages and without fear of censorship.

Documentaries, more than other genres, live and die by the stance and angle the director takes on the material. This is not to say that the goal of a documentary is to further a political agenda. The filmmaker collects the information and viewpoints of others and molds it into what he considers a coherent presentation of the person, event, or issue that is the film's subject. It is up to the audience to determine its own opinion of the material discussed. Michael Moore, for example, may make

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ed; forget "based on a true story," documentaries are all true stories.

On some levels, documentaries are similar to investigative reporting or sociological research because the filmmakers collect information and use it to drive the viewer's understanding of what is depicted on screen. That's the beauty of the documentary: it is an information source. And in light of recent strengthening of FCA regula-

his opinion more explicit than other documentarians, but then, without his own voice he has little to show to viewers.

In "Grizzly Man," the best documentary of 2005, director Werner Herzog tells the life story of Timothy Treadwell through the subject's own footage. The film is about the 13 sum-

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# Stone Coast Knuckles under

by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

**KNUCKLEBALL**—(\$8.29 for a six-pack at Uncle Tom's)

This interesting looking beer caught my attention from the start. Classified as a bock beer, Knuckleball is brewed in Portland by the Stone Coast Brewing Company and delivers a powerful punch as most bock beers do. The smell of this dark brew is malty and thick. This implied a heavier-than-average beer.

I was right. When poured, I saw that the Knuckleball was a deep shade of amber, though it still maintained the transparency of a lager or a ginger ale. Its head was rather frothy and stayed intact long after

the pour was complete, much the way a stubborn cola never seems to fizz down after an aggressive pour on the rocks. Luckily, this was beer and actually tastes good.

The taste was just as expected—bitter but commanding. I could definitely tell that this beer was fermented longer than most others and possibly given a pep talk before the final stage of brewing. The label, which originally attracted me, displays a massive "KB" over a baseball, mixing greens and reds in order to create a more festive feeling. Interestingly, it seems that the ball on the label is taking shape of a curveball, causing great confusion with those more in tune with rotational baseball recognition.

All in all, this beer was stronger than I was used to and thus did not win me over. I would recommend it

to those who enjoy a lighter stout or black lager. My scores: Taste: 2.9 Label: 3.7 Benefit/Cost: 2.6.

**MOOSEHEAD LAGER**—(\$7.99 for a six-pack at Hannaford)

It has been a while since I tapped into a Canadian beer, so I decided to indulge in the New Brunswick lager that I had heard so much about. Despite my best intentions to be open-minded when evaluating beer, I must admit that the green bottles are not usually indicative of the best brews (Beck's and Heineken do not top my list of favorites).

Nonetheless, I grabbed a six-pack and chilled it in my refrigerator until it achieved proper temperature. Moosehead's aroma is unusually strong—one of the most powerful-smelling lagers my nasal passages had ever processed. Its color is a true shade of gold, and it shimmers like a slick Canadian hockey rink and pours as smoothly as Nova Scotia maple syrup.

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# Nichols, Brown use radio show to supplement security

WBOR, from page 1

Nichols and Brown play a wide assortment of music, ranging from Frank Sinatra and Ella Fitzgerald to classic jazz to contemporary rock. The diversity of selection is due in part to a feature the hosts call "listen roulette," where a genre, band, album, and track are chosen "at random."

They have also played songs from campus groups Young Explosive Soldiers (YES) and the Day Jobs, as well as the Bowdoin Meddiebempsters, who gave a live concert on the air.

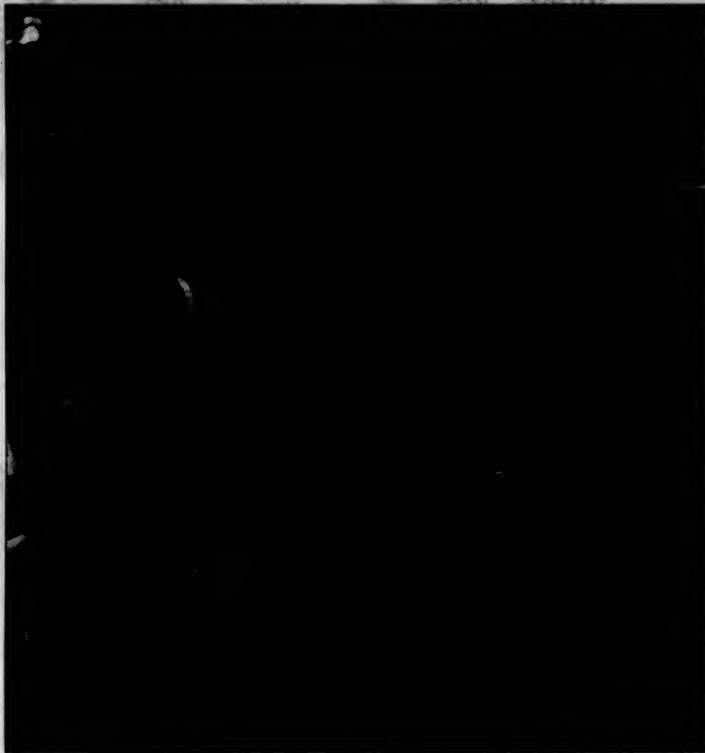
But the guests on "Listen!" are not all musicians. Staying faithful to their theme of educating listeners, the hosts frequently welcome College and local authorities who specialize in specific aspects of safety and wellness. For example, during Fire Prevention Week, Nichols and Brown invited Deputy Chief of Fire Prevention Jeff Emerson of the Brunswick Department of Fire and Rescue into the studio to talk about issues relating to avoiding inadvertent blazes.

On another occasion, they had Sexual Assault Support Services of Midcoast Maine (SASSMM) director Sue Dreher give on-air advice to students on how to avoid becoming victims of sexual assault. Thursday's show featured Dr. Jeff Benson, who offered students his "top 10 things college students need to know about their health and safety."

"It's a safety message not just in the sense of 'hey, lock your doors, don't leave your iPod lying around,'" said Brown. "It's more things that are relevant to the campus community."

The DJs recently attempted to engage the audience and stimulate awareness by having an on-air highway safety contest moderated by Maine State Highway Trooper Tim Marks, who tested the knowledge of student participants and the program's co-hosts. Brown lost to Nichols in a heated competition that Brown claimed was rigged.

The co-hosts professed that the high point of the year for "Listen!"



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Assistant Director of Safety and Security Mike Brown did not have any experience in broadcast entertainment before teaming up with his boss earlier this year for their Thursday afternoon radio program, "Listen!"

was the February 2 show, when Special Assistant to the President of Multicultural Affairs Roy Partridge joined Nichols and Brown for a discussion of social issues with regard to racism in honor of the advent of Black History Month. They also aired Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s 1963 "I Have a Dream" speech in its entirety.

According to Nichols, the co-hosts are "very close" to making

"Listen!" available on Podcast, which would allow listeners to download shows on to their computers and mp3 players. Thursday's show was recorded in anticipation of this new advance.

Nichols, who possesses a deep, rich voice, is no stranger to the radio studio. He worked at an Augusta radio station through high school and college before being hired full-time as a DJ when he graduated. The station broadcast to

several counties, and was one of Maine's first FM stations.

At WBOR, Nichols plays to a much smaller audience, but he doesn't mind. With "Listen!" he is able to use the skills he learned from his first profession to help him excel at his current one.

"This is a fine transition for me," he said. "We're always brainstorming ideas within the department to get the safety message out."

## Stay classy and impress interviewers

FASHION, from page 6

Make sure your nails are manicured and free of polish, or are at least fairly neutral looking. Waving around your long, bright red acrylic tips will be distracting to your interviewer. Plus, you know what they say about girls with long, fake nails!

Keep your makeup minimal and your hair clean and simply-styled. However, style it away from your face so you don't play with it if you get nervous—nothing is more distracting than a girl who is constantly tossing or twirling her hair as she tries to explain why she is a great candidate to represent a company to its clients.

For guys, similar guidelines apply. You'll need a good quality suit and a white dress shirt, a tie and belt, and lace-up dress shoes. You could also go for a light blue dress shirt or one with faint stripes. Avoid flashy ties with "out there" patterns like cartoon characters or martini glasses, and steer clear of bow ties and the prep school look of a tweed jacket or pink dress shirt. Shave your face and keep the hair gel to a minimum—no looking like a used-car salesman here! Make sure your shoes are polished and steer clear of tassels, loafers, and slip-ons. You may be nervously crossing your legs in the interview, so wear dark dress socks. You certainly don't want your interviewer to see your mismatched gym socks under a nice suit.

Try on your whole outfit a few days before the interview and check it out. Inspect for frays and loose threads—anything that looks out of place. Your suit should be dry-cleaned and pressed, and make use of that lint brush pre-interview! Spending the extra dollars to get a well-made tailored suit can make all the difference, and you will find that it will come in handy for all sorts of occasions after Bowdoin, especially if it is a traditional cut that won't go out of style. Whether it's an interview, your first day on the job, or a networking event, you always want a look that will compliment rather than compete with your personality.

## Moosehead lager leaves you stuffed

BEER, from page 7

The taste is pungent yet manageable; just what I would expect from a lager brewed north of the border, all the while being crisp enough to enjoy over the course of an evening.

Visually, the bottle is pleasing to the eye, combining green, gold, and red colorings in a carefully crafted crest-like label, punctuated by a massive moose head placed directly in the middle of the illustration. It is not overwhelming, yet it does convey some presence.

I would definitely recommend this beer to friends and colleagues, especially when watching the Stanley Cup or a family game of pond hockey. My scores: Taste: 4.0 Label: 4.0 Benefit/Cost: 3.9.

Do you want your favorite brew reviewed by the Orient's own beer connoisseur?

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## Tired of blockbusters? Documentaries provide an alternative to cinematic surrealism

MOVIES, from page 6

mers Treadwell spent living in the Alaskan wilderness with Grizzly bears and his eventual death by mauling.

Seeing the story of a man who lived with and was eventually killed by bears, it would be easy to demean the beliefs and choices that led a person to that place. But rather than criticize Treadwell, Herzog focused on Treadwell's humanity and refrained from commentary on the outdoorsman's life choices. He allowed those who knew Treadwell best to offer insight into who the man was, adding layers to our understanding of Treadwell's roots. By the end of the film the viewer understands, even empathizes with the naturalist—a man just as mixed up as the rest of us.

There are countless other worthwhile documentaries worth seeing. The 1994 film "Hoop Dreams" is a four-and-a-half year journey through the lives of two inner city high school basketball players trying to make it to the NBA. This is my favorite documentary of the '90s because it covers multiple topics, from race and class in America to the American Dream with grace and humanism.

Likewise, Errol Morris, one the



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Werner Herzog's "Grizzly Man" won the Oscar for best documentary film in 2005.

greatest documentary filmmakers ever, has two unmissable classic docs: "Gates of Heaven," a film about a pet cemetery and its pet owners that Roger Ebert called "one of the five greatest films of all time;" and "The Thin Blue Line," a documentary examining a murder case in Texas and speculating that the courts erred in their decision to

convict the defendant.

The list of commendable films has grown in recent years, with "The Fog of War," "Born into Brothels" and "Spellbound" all contributing to the revitalization of the documentary genre.

Supporting documentaries, as well as the mostly independent theaters such

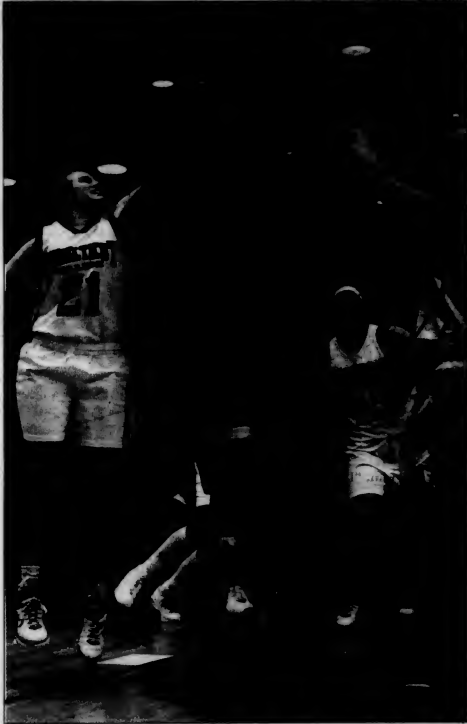
as the Eveningstar that play them, the more audiences can see documentary filmmakers making great films for our enjoyment. To paraphrase an old adage, "If you see it, they will come." So make the trip to Bart & Greg's and rent a documentary—you just may be surprised at how much you'll like what you see.





# SPORTS

## Women's basketball captures win in OT



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Julia Loonin '07 takes a shot in Saturday's game against Connecticut College.

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

With their record home-game victory streak on the line, it looked as if the Polar Bears might have met their match last Friday. However, the Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team pulled out a win in overtime against Wesleyan, beating the Cardinals 75-63.

The game started out slowly; Wesleyan players were late arriving and once the match was in play, Bowdoin did not seem prepared to play. The Cardinals fired some quick shots in the first few minutes of play, and the Polar Bears had trouble catching up to their early lead. By intermission, Bowdoin was down 34-26, a rare occurrence when this team has the home court advantage.

Wesleyan kept up a steady and aggressive level of play throughout the second half, coming off the half-time break re-energized and increasing their lead by 18 points within 10 minutes. However, the Bears quickly regained their focus and began to fight back. The defense stepped up and the Polar Bears scored on all eight free-throw opportunities. Eileen Flaherty '07 and Marisa

Berne '08 closed the lead to three points as the clock kept ticking.

Wesleyan fought back with another basket, which Bowdoin answered with two more free throws and a layup. With less than a minute left in the game and a three-point Cardinal lead, Berne took advantage of a Wesleyan turnover. Berne snagged the ball, raced out to the top of the key, and launched a perfectly formed shot 21 feet from the basket that swooshed through the net to tie the game.

The Cardinals tried to use the last few seconds to go for a long shot. A foul by Justine Pouravelis '06 on Wesleyan's Ali Fournery gave the Cardinals the opportunity to win the victory. Fournery missed all three free throws, forcing the game into overtime.

Fired up by this second chance for victory, the Bears returned to the court determined not to miss an opportunity, making eight out of 10 free throws to outscore Wesleyan. By the sound of the buzzer, the Polar Bears led the Cardinals 73-65. Berne finished with four three-pointers for 20 points overall, the game's top scorer. Pouravelis rivaled her with 15

Please see BASKETBALL, page 12

## Track takes back state crown

by Patrick Pierce  
CONTRIBUTOR

It was hard to tell that the Polar Bears were seeded as 20-point underdogs at the Maine State Meet held at the University of Southern Maine. Bowdoin dominated the field in all disciplines and left the Costello Sports Complex Saturday night as State Champions.

Senior co-captain Pat Lyons, commenting on the team's upset win, said, "It was one of the most exciting meets I have ever been apart of. It will be something I will always think of when I look back on my four years at Bowdoin."

The Polar Bears knew that they would need dozens of step-up performances in order to win, and many athletes delivered, especially in the field events. In the throws, Lyons and first-year Luke Fairbanks delivered under pressure, throwing personal bests in both the shot put and the weight throw. The Bowdoin throwers outscored traditional throwing powerhouse Bates for the first time since 1976.

Coach Slovenski pulled out all the stops for the jumps, recruiting several runners and throwers. His gamble



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

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First-year Tony Throwing works on his throwing form during practice.

## Men's hockey glides past rivals

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

Papachristopoulos just rolls off the tongue, doesn't it? Well, it should if you've been following NESCAC hockey this season. Senior George Papachristopoulos, the starting goalkeeper for the Bowdoin Men's Ice Hockey Team, has been making a name for himself. This weekend he solidified his reputation as one of the

finest goalies in the NESCAC, shutting down both Amherst and Hamilton as Bowdoin cruised to successive victories against the two highly ranked conference opponents. In the two games combined, Papachristopoulos managed to stop a total of 57 shots, while only allowing four goals, giving him about a 94 percent save rate.

Friday night against Amherst, the Bears picked up a 4-2 victory with

goals coming from senior captain Adam Dann, Sebastian Belanger '08, Matt Collins '09, and Jon Landry '06.

The next day Bowdoin handily defeated Hamilton 5-2. Mike Westerman '08 responded to an early Hamilton goal to post Bowdoin's first point of the game less than two minutes into the second period. Mike Chute '06, Belanger, and senior Matt

Please see HOCKEY, page 11.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Ged Wieschhoff attempts to steer the puck away from a Hamilton player in Saturday's game.

# Women's hockey dominates ice over the weekend

by Anna Messerly  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Ice Hockey Team proved its strength over the weekend, improving its record to 13-6 on a road trip, which brought the Bears to Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York.

The trip began on a somber note as the team departed at 7 a.m. on Saturday to attend Taryn King's '07 funeral in Lowell, Massachusetts.

"The service was beautiful and touching," head coach Michelle Amidon said. "It was so hard to see my athletes in such pain and despair from the loss of their young and vibrant teammate, friend, and role model."

"Many of us lost a great friend and we had to say our goodbyes before playing in the games this weekend," junior Katie Forney said. "I am proud of the way this team has taken this situation and used it to motivate us and play in memory of Taryn King."

Less than five hours later, the team had to step onto the ice against Trinity College. Although the Bears had a slow start, finishing the first period deadlocked at 2-2, the second

period saw a clear turnaround with five Bowdoin goals.

Forney had a strong performance, capping off a hat trick before the game was halfway over and adding two assists in the third period. Kristen Cameron '08 and Katie Coyne '08 both logged five goals in the game. Meghan Gillis '07 and Beth Battin '09 also had a multiple points in the 10-3 win over the Bantams.

First-year Emileigh Mercer, the Bears' new starting goaltender, was strong in goal with 10 saves in the contest. The Bears lost starting goalie Cat MacEachern '06 to hip surgery.

The team was back on the road after the game, headed to play Hamilton College on Sunday afternoon, when the bus broke down on the New York border.

The squad finally arrived in Clinton, New York, at around 3:30 a.m. and was on the ice less than 12 hours later against the Hamilton Continentals. Illness and fatigue did not slow the women's hockey team down: the Bears netted eight goals.

Following in Forney's tracks, Lydia Hawkins '07 had a hat trick and scored three goals and con-

tributed an assist less than halfway into the game.

Meaghan Tanguay '07 clinched two assists and Gillis got an assist, in addition to her goal. Jayme Woogerd '07, Cameron, Forney, Coyne, and Battin also posted points for the Bears. In goal, Mercer made 25 saves to ensure Bowdoin's 8-4 victory.

"This weekend was especially tough," stated Mercer. "But the team took every obstacle in stride and really stepped up and played for one another."

Senior co-captain Kelsey Wilcox added, "Our puck movement was the best it has been all year and our energy level was high all weekend."

These two big wins followed a non-conference win over St. Olaf College of Minnesota on January 31 in which the Bowdoin squad won 11-2. The Oles' two goals came near the end of the third period, when most of the Bowdoin skaters were not playing their normal positions. Thirteen of the 15 skaters recorded a goal, an assist, or both.

Additionally, Forney's two goals and two assists in the St. Olaf contest, as well as her five points against Trinity and two goals against

Hamilton, earned her NESAC Player of the Week.

While Forney has no doubt been a force for the Bears, Amidon noted, "We are so deep, no one player is leading us. It is a true team effort."

Our offense in our last three games has been unstoppable."

Bowdoin will face off against Wesleyan twice this weekend as the Bears look to secure a high seed in the conference.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Emileigh Mercer '09 tends goal for the Polar Bears against Middlebury.

## Bball to play two at home

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

Men's basketball split a pair of decisions against conference rivals last weekend, defeating Wesleyan in a thriller, then falling to Connecticut College on Saturday.

Head coach Tom Gilbride remarked, "We had a pretty good weekend, but we would have liked to have gotten two wins."

On Friday, the Polar Bears started slowly against Wesleyan, shooting just 26 percent from the field and one-for-eight from behind the arc in the first half. The Cardinals, on the other hand, shot almost 70 percent from the field and 67 percent from behind the three-point line, including a torrent of treys from Jimmy Shepherd. Shepherd knocked down six three-pointers in the first 20 minutes. The Cardinals led by 17 at half-time, with a score of 43-26.

In the second half, the Polar Bears chipped away at the lead. Jordan Fliegel '08 and co-captain Kyle Petrie '06 combined for 30 points in the second half, and Bowdoin managed to take the lead before Wesleyan knotted the game at 67 with less than a minute to play.

The game seemed destined for overtime, until Petrie came up big.

"Kyle Petrie made a big shot for us, hitting a three-pointer with about five seconds left in the game," Gilbride said.

Petrie's jumper from the top of the key sealed the victory at 70-67, and gave the Bears a crucial NESAC win.

Fliegel led Bowdoin scorers with 19 points on 64 percent shooting from the field, while Petrie added 17 points and nine rebounds. Junior Kevin Bradley and sophomore Andrew Hippert posted double digits, notching 14 and 10 points, respectively.

The Polar Bears were unable to find their rhythm against the Camels on Saturday.

"We couldn't quite get our edge against Conn. College, although we battled hard," Gilbride said.

The Polar Bears trailed by only

five points at the half, but the Camels took control of the game after a 15-0 run in the second half.

Late game heroics were not to be, and Conn. College held on to its lead for a comfortable 76-58 victory.

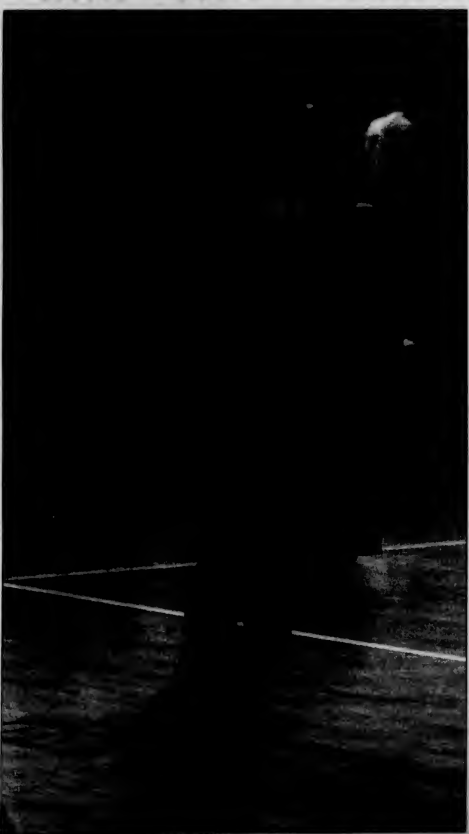
Petrie led Bowdoin with 17 points in the game. Hippert added 12.

Despite the loss, Bowdoin is still

in the postseason hunt. Playoff seeding has not been decided.

The squad plays host to Middlebury tonight at 7 p.m. and welcomes Williams tomorrow. Gilbride could not be more excited.

"We look forward to playing at home again in front of our great fans and the Polar Bear Nation," he said.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Antwan Phillips '06 takes a shot at practice. The Bears play Middlebury tonight.

## Red Sox will feature pitching and defense

by Joel Samen  
STAFF WRITER

The Super Bowl is in the rearview mirror, which means that pitchers and catchers report to spring training in mere days. The frost-bitten winter will soon be brightened by the rays of the great summer sport.

With the approach of a new season comes the potential for greatness. Anything is possible in the season ahead. In the words of Alexander Pope, "Hope springs eternal in the human breast." The failures and triumphs of last season are forgotten once the pitchers hit the mounds in warm weather.

It is with the bliss of forgetting the last postseason that Red Sox fans return to their rebuilt team, one that hardly resembles the squad that was embarrassed in the first round of playoffs in October. Following a tumultuous offseason, in which the front office appeared to be operating without direction, the team has been reborn in a different vein.

The departures of Johnny Damon, Bill Mueller, and Kevin Millar have certainly changed the face of the team. After leading Major League Baseball in runs scored for the past two seasons with the lead-off adeptness of Damon, the consistent production of Mueller, and occasional bouts of strength from Millar, the team's production most likely will take a dip. However, their replacements and other new additions should significantly improve the team in two other categories: defense and pitching.

A common thread runs through the teams that have won the last four World Series. They have all had defensive strength and well-built pitching staffs. During their title runs, the White Sox, Red Sox, Marlins, and Angels all had defensively solid teams, pitching rotations that could deliver solid outings regu-

larly, and bullpens that could close out ball games. Those are qualities that the Red Sox lacked last season. Defensively the Sox had many flaws and their pitching staff did not reach its potential due to injuries and poor seasons.

The revamped and reloaded Sox feature defense and pitching as primary strengths coming into the season. Newcomers Alex Gonzalez, Mike Lowell, and J.T. Snow are likely to excel in terms of fielding, although their production offensively may come in below that of their predecessors.

Jack McKeon, who managed Gonzalez on the 2003 World Champion team, sang the shortstop's praises after his signing with Boston.

"He's one of the best in the business. The guy's a vacuum cleaner. He's a magician.... I've had a lot of great shortstops play for me but this guy was right up there with the best," McKeon said.

Lowell won a Gold Glove last season for his play at third base and Snow won six consecutive Gold Glove awards for his outstanding defense at first base between 1995 and 2000.

The team's pitching staff has also been improved considerably with the importation of Josh Beckett, Dan Riske, and Rudy Seanez. If closer Keith Foulke and starters Curt Schilling and Matt Clement can rebound from poor seasons, Red Sox pitching could be considered among the league's best.

For an offseason that was considered by many onlookers to be erratic, the Red Sox front office has put together a coherent game plan and a roster to match it. The team seems to be moving away from its offense-driven style, replacing it with a strategy that will prevent other teams from scoring. With the new season approaching, the outlook looks bright and filled with promise. This new style of Red Sox baseball will be a change for loyal fans, but it should still be fun to watch.

# Squash falls to Bates in second matchup

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's and Women's Squash Teams fell a second time to rival Bates on Tuesday night, with 7-2 defeats for both the men and women.

The two wins mark a small improvement on the women's side, as the women won only one match against the No. 10 ranked Bates team in last week's face-off.

The additional win came from first-year Kate Gormley, who defeated No. 3 Bates player, Charlotte Gerrish. Gormley defeated Gerrish 3-1, each point of every game drawn out and competitive. Gormley won a lengthy first game 9-5, and carried her momentum into the second, winning 9-0 by capitalizing on her strong cross-courts. After a short falter in the third game, which she lost 9-4, she pulled out the fourth game 9-6.

Although it was not reflected in the final score, almost all the women gave Bates more of a challenge than in the two teams' last matchup just a week ago.

The men slipped in this most recent meeting. First-year Robert Lynn won his match at the No. 9 spot in four games, during the second

round of matchplay.

The second win for the Bowdoin men came soon after Lynn's victory, as senior co-captain Bruce Saltzman battled on court with Bates No. 2 Sean Wilkinson.

Saltzman came on strong in the first two games, winning 9-2 and 10-8, but Wilkinson was quick to answer with two wins, 9-2 and 9-1. While the players dove for seemingly irretrievable shots, making points last for what seem like eternity, with the majority of both teams watching, excited and nervous. Finally, after several rallies at 8-6 Saltzman clinched the match, claiming the last game 9-6 and the match 3-2.

Although Bates was the principle opponent for the Polar Bears this week, they also faced a strong Dartmouth team on Saturday. Both the men and women lost 9-0. On Friday night they soundly defeated St. Lawrence, the men 6-3 and the women 9-0. Against Colby on Wednesday night, the men and women won 7-2.

The season is drawing to a close for the teams, with only NESCACs and nationals remaining. They will head to Trinity this weekend for the first-ever NESCAC squash tournament.

## Men's track surprises USM at state meet

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paid off for the Bears. Senior Joel Presti, who had not jumped since his first year at Bowdoin, won the high jump by clearing six feet. Senior Jared Prichard became the first man in the history of the Maine State Meet to score in both the high jump and the shot put, claiming fourth in high jump. First-year Jay McCormick captured fifth place in the high jump. He then went on to run a season best in the 800 meters, for second place. Junior Joe Adu placed second in his first collegiate long jump, while Presti came through again with a 20-foot leap, good for fifth place.

Inspired by their teammates in the field events, the Bowdoin runners came through with several clutch

performances on the oval. The Polar Bears dominated the 55-meter hurdles. Adu and first-year Ike Irby ran personal bests of 7.89 and 8.29 seconds to capture second and third place, respectively. First-year Mike Krohn placed fourth with a season best of 8.39 seconds. First-year Damon Hall-Jones ran personal bests to finish third in the 55-meter dash and to capture fourth place in the 200-meter dash.

Sophomore Eric Lee also had a stand-out performance. Getting off to a fast start in the 600-meter race, Lee seized the lead and never looked back, winning with a personal best 1:24. Senior co-captain Andrew Combs surged in the last lap of the 800-meter run to snatch the win. Minutes after placing third in the mile, junior Owen McKenna clinched second place in 1000 meters.

First-year Archie Abrams overcame a hip-flexor strain for a third-place finish in the race. Sophomore Nathan Krah distanced all competitors in the 5000-meter run, making his New England DIII Championship qualifying time of 15:22 look easy.

The men put it all together to win in dramatic fashion in front of an electrified crowd. According to Lyons, "we wanted it more than Bates, and that is why we won."

They outperformed their stunned opponents with unsurpassed depth, scoring 184.5 points to Bates' 159.5, USM's 130 and Colby's 48. Bowdoin's victory brought the Mal Morrell trophy back home. The Bears will face Middlebury and the Coast Guard Academy at home this Saturday.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient  
Steve Burtus '08 trains in practice this week.

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

	NESCAC		Overall	
School	W	L	W	L
Amherst	6	1	20	2
Bates	6	1	19	3
Trinity	6	1	16	4
Tufts	5	2	16	4
Williams	5	2	17	5
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	3	4	13	6
Colby	2	5	6	13
Conn. College	2	6	12	10
Middlebury	1	6	12	10
Wesleyan	0	6	6	15

SCOREBOARD	
F 2/3 at Wesleyan	W 70-67
Sa 2/4 at Conn. College	L 76-58

SCHEDULE	
F 2/10 v. Middlebury	7:00 P.M.
Sa 2/11 v. Williams	3:00 P.M.
Tu 2/14 v. St. Joseph's Coll.	7:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

	NESCAC			Overall		
School	W	L	T	W	L	T
Middlebury	11	1	0	16	2	0
BOWDOIN	10	3	0	13	6	0
Williams	7	4	1	9	9	1
Colby	7	6	0	10	7	0
Hamilton	6	6	0	9	11	1
Amherst	5	6	0	9	11	0
Trinity	4	7	2	6	9	4
Conn. College	3	9	2	6	10	2
Wesleyan	2	9	1	2	15	2

SCOREBOARD	
Sa 2/4 at Trinity	W 10-3
Su 2/5 at Hamilton	W 8-4

SCHEDULE	
F 2/10 v. Wesleyan	7:00 P.M.
Sa 2/11 v. Wesleyan	3:00 P.M.
Tu 2/14 at Colby	7:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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BOWDOIN	6	1	16	2
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Bates	6	1	15	7
Wesleyan	6	2	15	6
Amherst	4	3	9	12
Middlebury	2	5	14	6
Tufts	2	5	9	11
Trinity	2	5	7	13
Colby	1	6	8	13
Conn. College	1	7	6	14

SCOREBOARD	
F 2/3 v. Wesleyan	W 73-65
Sa 2/4 v. Conn. College	W 76-41

SCHEDULE	
F 2/10 at Middlebury	7:30 P.M.
Sa 2/11 at Williams	3:00 P.M.
Th 2/16 at Maine Maritime	7:30 P.M.

### MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

	NESCAC			Overall		
School	W	L	T	W	L	T
Middlebury	13	1	1	17	1	2
Williams	10	3	2	11	6	2
Amherst	9	5	1	12	7	1
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	6	5	2	13	5	2
Colby	9	6	0	13	7	0
Hamilton	6	7	0	10	9	1
Tufts	6	6	1	9	9	2
Trinity	5	7	3	6	9	3
Wesleyan	4	6	3	5	11	3
Conn. Coll.	1	13	1	2	17	1

SCOREBOARD	
F 2/3 v. Amherst	W 4-2
Sa 2/4 v. Hamilton	W 5-2

SCHEDULE	
F 2/10 at Trinity	7:45 P.M.
Sa 2/11 at Wesleyan	3:00 P.M.

- Compiled by Adam Kommel. Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC.

### MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

SCOREBOARD	
Sa 2/4 at Colby	L 160-120

### MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

SCOREBOARD	
Sa 2/4 at Maine State Meet (USM)	1st of 4

SCHEDULE	
Sa 2/11 v. Coast Guard, Middlebury	11:00 A.M.

### MEN'S SQUASH

SCOREBOARD	
F 2/3 v. St. Lawrence	W 6-3
Sa 2/4 v. Dartmouth	L 9-0
Tu 2/7 at Bates	L 7-2
W 2/8 at Colby	W 8-1

SCHEDULE	
F 2/10 NESCACs (at Trinity)	TBA

### W SWIMMING & DIVING

SCOREBOARD	
Sa 2/4 at Colby	L 165-134

### WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

SCOREBOARD	
F 2/3 Maine State Meet at Bates	2nd of 4

SCHEDULE	
F 2/10 Valentine's Day Classic at BU	5:00 P.M.
Sa 2/11 v. Coast Guard, Middlebury	11:00 A.M.

### WOMEN'S SQUASH

SCOREBOARD	
F 2/3 v. St. Lawrence	W 9-0
Sa 2/4 v. Dartmouth	L 9-0
Tu 2/7 at Bates	L 7-2
W 2/8 at Colby	W 7-2

SCHEDULE	
Sa 2/11 NESCACs (at Trinity)	TBA

## Men's hockey to face NESCAC rivals Trinity and Wesleyan



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Andy Nelson skates toward the puck in Saturday night's game against Hamilton. The Bears won 5-2.

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Roy posted a goal apiece to give Bowdoin a three-point lead going into the third period. The fourth frame saw a goal from Hamilton, which was answered by Landry to give the Bears a three-goal victory.

Papachristopoulos was not the only Polar Bear to post impressive stats. In the match up, senior captain Adam Dann notched his 100th point for the Bears.

Despite some ups and downs earlier in the season, a few more wins could put the Bears in a strong position for tournament play.

Bowdoin will face off against NESCAC rivals Trinity and Wesleyan this weekend. These two games will be a struggle for the Bears as they try to take the momentum gathered at Dayton on the road. As Papachristopoulos said, "We are ready for anything that may lie ahead."

### EDITORS NOTE

Multiple students interviewed for the December 9 article "Hoops drops to Bobcats" have charged that quotations attributed to them were fabricated. The reporter, contributor Mario López, is unable to guarantee the accuracy of the quotations. In accordance with Orient policy, the editors will no longer permit López to contribute to this newspaper. The Orient apologizes to its readers.



# Women field second place Swimming teams lose to rival Mules



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore runner Courtney Eustace practices at Farley Field House.

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

Despite posting numerous personal bests, the women's track team was not able to overcome the University of Southern Maine at the Maine State Meet, finishing with 147 points to USM's 172 points. NESCAC rivals, Bates and Colby finished close behind in third and fourth respectively with 130 and 122 points.

Bowdoin had two first-place performances in the 800 meters and 5k. Senior Emily Sheffield led the 800 meters from the start with Amy Ahearn '08 close behind in second, making the event the highest scoring of the meet for the Bears. Junior Kristen Brownell, seeded first in the 5k, ran true to form, winning the race. Jamie Knight '07 took fourth for the Bears in the race.

Junior Louise Duffus once again led the team in points, dominating the throwing events with second places in both the shot put and weight throw. Duffus's fellow throwers also met success, making the shot put the second-highest scoring event with a third place throw from first-year Kelsey Borner, a personal best for fifth from Chelsea Jackson '09, and a seventh-place finish by Shemeica Binns '09. Borner also took fourth in the weight throw.

The Bear's success continued in the sprints and mid-distance events. Senior Ruth Jacobson ran two personal bests, running a 7.67 in the 55-meter dash to qualify for finals, where she placed fourth. In the 200 meters, Jacobson finished in 28.17 for fifth. Kari Barber '06 and Jessie DePalo '08 also competed in the sprints with Barber taking seventh and ninth in the 55 meters and 200 meters, respectively. DePalo took eighth in the 55 meters.

Emily Hackert '06 proved her versatility on the track placing in three individual events. Hackert had a fourth-place finish in the 200 meters, a sixth-place finish in the 55-meter hurdles, and another sixth place in long jump with a personal best of 15'11.75". Erin Prifogle '07 also tested herself in multiple events, taking fourth in the 55-meter hurdles and leading the Bears in the high jump with a third place finish. The women's pole vault added more points to Bowdoin's score as all three women, Alyssa Chen '08, Becca

Perry '07, and Erin Taylor '09 posted season bests taking third, fifth, and ninth, respectively. Molly Seaward '09 added a fifth-place finish in the triple jump to the team tally, while Alex Keeney '09 posted an eighth-place finish.

The 400 meters was another strong event for the women, who claimed three of the top six places. Alison Pilon '09 finished second, Gina Campelia '07 took fourth, and Lynne Tempest '09 posted a sixth-place finish.

With only a short break after the 400 meters, Tempest was back on the track for the 1000 meters. Pulling a tough double she placed seventh. Joining her in the 1000 meters were sophomores Laura Onderko and Courtney Eustace, who took fourth and sixth, respectively. Eustace and Onderko teamed up again in the mile, taking fifth and seventh. Brownell ran the hardest double of the night, competing in the 3k after her victory in the 5k, for a sixth-place finish, just behind teammate, Elissa Gervais '09. Gervais ran a personal best for fifth place, despite two weeks of cross-training due to injury.

In the 600 meters, the Bears faced fierce competition from Bates and Colby runners, but showed they were up to the challenge. First-year Ali Chase, though not feeling in top form, sprinted to a third-place finish, closely followed by fellow first-years Jess Sokolow and Lindsey Schickner in fifth and seventh, respectively. Katie Mevorach '09, Elizabeth Onderko '08, and Betsey Griffin '09 placed in ninth, 10th, and 12th places for the Bears.

Bowdoin's relays began and ended the meet with strong performances. In the first track event of the evening, the 4x200-meter team of Barber, Sokolow, Seaward, and Campelia placed third. Bringing the meet to a close, the 4x400-meter and 4x800-meter teams, battled to the end with a close finish. The 4x400-meter relay, composed of Campelia, Pilon, Hackert, and Sheffield took second place, as Bates nudged out Bowdoin by .19 seconds for first. The 4x800-meter team of Mevorach, Schickner, Sokolow, and Ahearn came from behind to win the final event of the night for Bowdoin.

## Hoops ranked sixth in poll

BASKETBALL, from page 9

points, as well as numerous blocks, steals, and rebounds.

Saturday's game against Connecticut College was less seat-clenching. By intermission, the Polar Bears were up 47-18 to easily defeat the Camels 76-41. Julia Loonin '07 was the game's MVP, making five free throws and scoring 21 points overall. First-year Jill Anelauskas contributed 17 points to the Bears' tally.

The victory clinched the home-court advantage for the Bears in the first round of NESCAC playoffs, which begin Saturday, February 18.

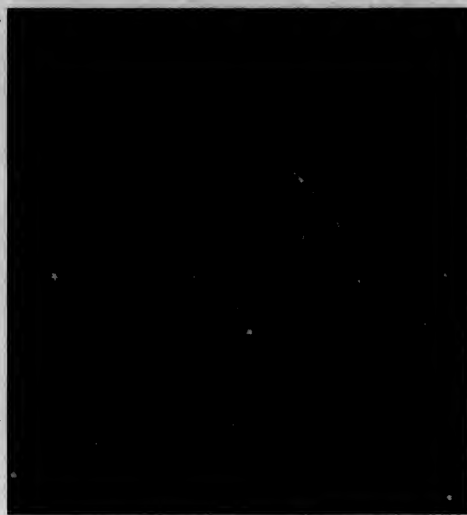
Currently ranked sixth in the nation for Division III, Bowdoin will face key NESCAC competitors Middlebury and Williams this upcoming weekend. Both games are away, depriving the Polar Bears of their home court advantage.



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Senior Ashleigh Watson goes for a basket in Saturday's game against Conn. College.

## Swimming teams lose to rival Mules



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Aubrey Sharman perfects her backstroke technique in practice.

by Katie Yankura  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's swimming and diving teams suffered disappointing losses to Colby College. Saturday's meet, the last meet of the regular season for the Polar Bears, resulted in a 160-120 loss for the men and a 165-134 defeat for the women.

The Bears started the meet with several individual victories and strong swims. Commenting on the enthusiasm of her teammates, senior Aubrey Sharman said, "The energy on the pool deck was amazing. It was clear that both teams were looking for fast swims and good races and that, at the end of the meet, we all left feeling as though we had left everything in the pool."

Junior Megan McLean led the Bowdoin women, capturing a victory in both the 200-yard freestyle and the 100-yard butterfly, as well as a second place in the 100-yard free.

Sophomores Carrie Roble and Jessica Horstkotte also posted first-place finishes in the 50-yard and 500-yard freestyles, respectively. First-year Kathryn Engel stepped up for the Polar Bears by claiming second-place finish in the 200-yard backstroke. Junior Katie Chapman contributed two second places in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard backstroke.

Bowdoin swept the diving events with senior Victoria Tudor taking first and sophomore Liz Hedrick taking second, in both the one-meter and three-meter events. Despite a point deficit, the 400-yard freestyle relay team of Roble, Chapman, McLean, and Kerry Brodzia '08 finished the meet strong with a victory in the 400-freestyle relay.

Coach Brad Burnham took the loss in stride.

"Of course we would like to win our meets against Colby but it is good to know that they had to be really fast to beat us," he said. "We swam well but they swam very fast for this point in the season. I was so proud of the way our team handled the meet this weekend. Colby is a tough plate to swim fast and we pulled off several lifetime bests

and lots of season bests."

In the men's races, the Polar Bears dominated Colby in the butterfly events. Senior captain Roger Burleigh took first in the 200-yard butterfly, followed by first-year Ian Wandner, who came from behind to touch out his competitor from Colby by just .13 seconds.

In the 100-yard butterfly, Bowdoin captured the third place as Carter Thomas '06, Ben Rachlin '08, and Wandner finished in first, second, and third place, respectively. Other victories came from Max Goldstein '07, who took the 200-yard breaststroke and 200-yard individual medley events. Sprinter Dave Swanson '09 won the 50-yard free.

The Polar Bears remain confident going into their final competition of the season, the NESCAC Championships, despite the recent loss. The women look forward to a home pool advantage. The meet will be held February 17 to 18 at Greason Pool. Senior captain Michelle Filteau voiced the positive attitude of the women's team heading into the championships.

"We've had such a great season thus far and this upcoming championship meet promises to be nothing less than absolutely amazing. We're so excited to be competing in our home pool, we're getting psyched up for it and so should the Bowdoin community. It would be great to have some fans in the stands cheering us on next week," she said.

The women, finishing the regular season with a respectable 3-4 record, will look to improve upon their 10th place finish at NESCAC's last year.

Thomas, a captain, spoke with similar enthusiasm.

"I am really proud of the guys' ability to keep their composure in a meet like this. Colby had some great swimmers and we met them head on, setting the stage for what will be the best championship meet Bowdoin has ever had," he said.

The Bowdoin men's final record of 3-4 demonstrates significant improvement from last year's 0-8 record. The men's NESCAC meet will be held on February 24-26 at Williams College.

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### Discuss Darfur divestment

As the Board of Trustees meets this weekend, the genocide continues in Darfur. The trustees may believe that there is nothing they can do to help stop this genocide. Yet there is something they can do—they can use the force of the College's nearly \$600-million endowment to send the message that Bowdoin will discontinue investments in companies that cooperate with governments that support genocide.

Of paramount importance in the discussion on socially responsible investing is the finding of an appropriate balance. We must seek to maximize growth of the College's endowment, and we must appreciate that it is the financial backbone that allows this institution to do all that it does. The endowment helps keep tuition down and provides opportunities for low-income students through generous financial aid grants.

At the same time, we must exhibit a conscious awareness of the potential symbolic or actual impacts of such investment decisions.

The problem of defining what exactly "socially responsible" means is perhaps most challenging. When no one can agree on what makes an investment bad, how is Bowdoin to draw the line? While many might be in favor of limiting investment in companies that are poor environmental stewards, how does an institution label some actions as acceptable and others as unacceptable?

This ambiguity—and the specter of overzealous divestment hampering the College's ability to grow its endowment—makes it difficult to institute a realistic and coherent divestment policy relating to issues like environmental protection and labor conditions. However, it should not constrain our response to one crucial issue: genocide.

For several years, the world community has allowed a horrific conflict to continue in the Darfur region of Sudan. The militia sponsored by the Sudanese government is responsible for atrocities that the United States has classified as genocide. No significant effort has been made by the world's leaders to stop the massive loss of life. Where others have failed, Bowdoin should do whatever it can—however small on a global scale—to resolve the crisis.

In the spirit of the trustee subcommittee formed in 1981 to discuss divestment from apartheid South Africa, Bowdoin must first take steps to initiate a forum for dialogue on campus about Darfur and socially responsible investing. As it did two decades ago, this discussion should consist of students, administrators, faculty, and trustees. Such a forum should be permanent, so that the next time an issue like Darfur or South Africa comes up, a mechanism for discussion will already be in place.

Secondly, Bowdoin's trustees should follow the lead of Amherst College and make a public statement about its opposition to investment in companies that deal with the Sudanese government. Since Bowdoin does not directly invest in companies—it invests in funds managed by outside investors—it should make its opposition to Sudanese investment known to its fund managers, as Amherst has.

An action by Bowdoin's board alone probably would not hurt the bottom line of any of the companies that do business with the Sudanese government. Action would likely only be symbolic. But symbolism is important. And if enough institutions like Bowdoin make a stand, perhaps these companies will listen.

Bowdoin's administrators maintain that the College only invests with reputable fund managers, and we are inclined to believe them. The administration also says that indicating our opposition to certain investments might make fund managers less willing to work with Bowdoin to invest its endowment. But if Bowdoin's vocal opposition to genocide would make a fund manager less likely to work with our college, is that really the kind of "reputable" person with whom we want to invest?

### BSG actions disappoint

The issue of academic bias in the classroom is not outside the scope of Bowdoin Student Government (BSG). The matter could have been discussed and addressed in a productive and timely manner. Instead, from the start, the dialogue took place in the context of the Academic Bill of Rights, which is an inherently partisan document. The text was written and is being promoted by radical conservative activist David Horowitz. The ultimate vote of 1-19 against the bill proves its unproductive nature, and because of this we question why so much valuable time was spent on the bill.

Equally as puzzling is why BSG would vote in favor of endorsing the creation of an academic bias incident group when measures are already in place for students to voice concerns about political discrimination in the classroom. It seems meeting privately with a dean would be more conducive to addressing this discomfort than the intimidating prospect of having the issues discussed in a full committee.

Just as troubling, if not more so, is the dissolution of a significant issue into partisan bickering. The result of this was reflected earlier this week when the Maine College Republicans put out an inaccurate and misleading press release saying "Bowdoin College Student Government Endorses the Academic Bill of Rights" even though it was in fact rejected by a 1-19-4 vote. This parallels the trend of Republican groups across the nation pushing for the implementation of similar policy.

We commend the 10 members of BSG who had the insight last week to vote against an endorsement of creating such a group—a bureaucratic hurdle that would only hinder the ultimate purpose of facilitating the process for students to voice concern about academic bias. Their ability to recognize the publicity-driven and politically motivated force behind the bill attests to the very insight that makes them strong student leaders.

A September 30 editorial on this page argued against BSG stretching its mandate and taking political stances on issues beyond Bowdoin. The drawn-out process surrounding the Academic Bill of Rights only further illustrates this fact. It is time for BSG to move away from national politics and move toward addressing issues in which it can have a more constructive influence.

The editorials represent the majority view of *The Bowdoin Orient's* editorial board. The editorial board is comprised of James D. Baumberger, Drew Fulton, Bobby Guerette, Evan S. Kohn, and Beth Kowitz.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### BSG acted incorrectly on rights issues

To the Editors:

As a Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) member and as a student, I feel as though freedom of ideas is of the utmost importance on a college campus, especially one like Bowdoin. It is with these feelings that I must express my embarrassment with recent decisions made by BSG.

Although BSG overwhelmingly rejected the Academic Bill of Rights, it still continued to drive a politically-motivated issue and as a result became a stage for a public relations stunt by endorsing the creation of an Academic Bias Incident Group. This proposal does not adequately remedy the situation and was rightly ignored by the administration. BSG failed to work with the administration on achieving what is best for Bowdoin students.

In attempt to correct actions taken, the Clarification of the Academic Bias Incident Group Resolution was passed at Wednesday's meeting outlining the original intentions of those who voted to endorse the creation of such a group. This sadly proves that BSG failed to take proper action prior to voting. It is my hope that BSG learns from its past actions and realizes that it is imperative to take a proactive, not a reactionary, approach to any and all proposed action—especially when dealing with something as fundamental as freedom of intellectual thought.

Sincerely,

Catrina Cariagena  
BSG Representative  
for the Class of 2007

### Affirmative action has a place in U.S.

To the Editors:

In last week's opinion section, Alex Linhart '06 wrote, "Affirmative action is a program disseminated by liberals who think certain groups lack the talent to make it in America without help."

In the midst of all the jargon thrown together in the op-ed, Linhart seems to want to pretend that oppression is nonexistent. Affirmative action is not a program created by those who have lost "faith" in the ability of certain groups. It is a tool to aid those who are disadvantaged in this country due to bigotry. Linhart does not realize that those in power have more opportunity to succeed than those who are not in power. Affirmative action is not helping certain groups because they "lack the talent" to succeed. Affirmative action is about restoring balance, a balance broken by those who have benefited from the turmoil of the disadvantaged. Republicans are not the "disadvantaged." It is a choice, not a birthright, to be a Republican or Democrat. The Republican attempt to enforce this bill is agenda-influenced hypocrisy.

Americans, do not shield your eyes to reality. The disadvantaged need ways to catch up to those who have benefited from their efforts. Because one person does not see through the lens of historical fact does not mean that you should follow the trend. Oppression exists. It is fact, and to pretend as though it does not occur is either a sign of self denial, or absolute ignorance.

Sincerely,

William K. Gilchrist '06

### BUBS offered an alternative to high prices

To the Editors:

For the very many of you who have no idea who I am, I used to run BUBS, the Bowdoin Used Book Store, along with a crew of dedicated employees.

Our goal was two-fold: We provided students with the lowest priced books on campus and reimbursed students the highest amount of money possible for their end of semester returns.

Sound like a great idea? Wondering where to find BUBS? Unfortunately, most of the staff of BUBS graduated in 2001, forcing the student-founded and run business to close due to lack of management.

It could rise again however if a dedicated group of students were ever truly interested in pursuing the idea.

In the end, it is about providing other options to the expensive textbooks published by companies that send out new editions like they're going out of style. The Textbook Annex tries to mitigate some of this. Some students turn to the internet with mixed results. Setting up a system where students can directly trade and sell amongst themselves would be another. BUBS was a valuable resource for many students over its long history.

I hope some ambitious students at Bowdoin realize this and bring back this worthwhile service.

Sincerely,

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# Cartoons represent animosity

by Shelley Barron  
CONTRIBUTOR

Earlier this week, I was offended and surprised by insulting depictions of the Prophet Muhammad in European newspapers, and I am sure that many of you were as well. I supported the Muslim community's right to protest these images, but the violence that has erupted as a result of these cartoons is progressively getting out of hand, with senseless deaths ensuing. One Iranian newspaper in particular has gone too far in its desire to respond to the images published in the Danish Jyllands-Posten newspaper.

The Hamshahri newspaper has announced a contest it is holding for cartoons depicting the Holocaust in response to the images of Muhammad. In justification of the contest, the best-selling Iranian newspaper offered this statement, according to BBC: "Does the West's freedom of expression extend to...an event such as the Holocaust or is this freedom of expression only for the desecration of the sanctities of divine religions?" The Hamshahri is offering gold rewards to the best 12 artists (to match the number of cartoons commissioned by the Jyllands-Posten).

While I empathize with the anger of the Iranian people and Muslims all over the world, the response which this newspaper is attempting to illicit is disgusting and deplorable. Exploiting the genocide of 11 million people (Jewish, Roma, Homosexual, Communist, and many others with them) in order to get revenge against the Danish newspaper lacks a great deal of rationale and human compassion. It is an action I am sure the Prophet Muhammad would have lamented: one of Muhammad's great teachings

explains "to overcome evil with good is good; to resist evil with evil is evil."

The web site of the Arab European League published one of these cartoons on February 2: in it is a depiction of a childlike Anne Frank in bed with Adolf Hitler, after the two have just had sex. Hitler is relaxed with his arms spread across the bed, saying, "Write this one in your diary, Anne!" The expression on Frank's face is one of horror. Another such image, entitled "The Robbery," shows a fat, malicious, militant Jewish man robbing an anthropomorphic globe at gunpoint; the gun reads "The Holocaust." These sorts of images are only a few

*When did this abhorrent desensitization to the Holocaust happen, and where was I when it occurred?*

among many now rampant all over the world, not just in Iran, and they are easily accessible online. The actions of the Hamshahri are most certainly not the first of their kind, and I doubt, unfortunately, that they will be the last.

When did this abhorrent desensitization to the Holocaust happen, and where was I when it occurred? Why is it that swastikas are appearing in high schools and college campuses across this country? I ask myself, is it ignorance or legitimate hatred? I could share my family's story with you: Nazi Germany slaughtered four generations of my kin in the death camps and ghettos of Eastern Europe. But I am sure you have heard this story or similar stories many times before.

I am deeply concerned by the surge of both passive Holocaust mockery in this country and the vitriolic, institutional attacks made by this Iranian newspaper.

Many of the comments made by Iran's President Ahmadinejad in the past months have troubled me, both as a Jewish person and as member of the global Human community; included in those comments are ones of Holocaust denial. I don't take Ahmadinejad's comments to be reflective of Iranians as a whole, but the response of many Iranian newspapers to the Muhammad caricatures raises unease in my mind.

When we say "never again" to genocide and to the Holocaust, we should start impregnating those words with some semblance of meaning. The International community shouldn't turn its back on Darfur the way Rwanda was ignored, Bosnia, Armenia—the list goes on. And it shouldn't ignore these outright attacks on the validity and pain of genocide.

Words and images carry great weight, and one should always be sensitive to one's audience before publishing images such as those published in the Danish newspaper, even if one desires to test the limits of free speech and press. One of my hopes is that people everywhere in the world, from the Bowdoin campus to Tehran, will reexamine the ease with which the language and images of the Holocaust are used as jokes, mockery, and tools of hate. As a community, I hope we denounce the response of the Hamshahri newspaper the same way we should denounce the depictions commissioned by the Jyllands-Posten, and fight insensitivity, ignorance, and hatred here at Bowdoin and in our lives beyond the campus.

# 'Academic Freedom' is the wrong term

by James Harris  
CONTRIBUTOR

Recently, there has been a debate over "academic freedom" in the Bowdoin community. Unfortunately, a misuse of the phrase "academic freedom" sparked this debate and thus, there is much confusion and vagueness surrounding the arguments. Wikipedia defines academic freedom as "the freedom of teachers, students, and academic institutions to pursue knowledge wherever it may lead, without undue or unreasonable interference." By this standard, Bowdoin is an exemplar of academic freedom. With honors projects and independent studies on an endless number of topics, it is clear that Bowdoin is an institution that values academic freedom very highly.

Despite this, a survey found that many students felt Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) should do something to look into the issue of academic discrimination. It would be shocking that many people have been affected by the refusal of a professor to grant permission to undertake an independent study. In my experience, professors have always seemed excited and encouraging when a student shows interests that extend beyond the scope of courses offered at Bowdoin. With a department full of professors, it is almost guaranteed to find one that will support whatever academic endeavor you choose to pursue. I

would imagine most, if not all, students would agree with me.

If this is true, then why are we faced with such an intense debate? Proponents of what has become known as "academic freedom" are actually arguing for political freedom in the classroom. Whether the phrase "academic freedom" was purposefully chosen to represent political freedom in an attempt to bolster support by appealing to people's sense of fairness of the result of intellectual laziness, I know not. Whatever the case, the usage of this phrase is irresponsible and has led to much confusion.

Let me address the real argument, now that its glamorous mask has been lifted. I agree that professors should evaluate work based purely

on quality and not on who submits the work. Professors are usually very clear about what they expect in students' work. It is then up to those professors to decide how well a student meets those standards. If you think you met the standards but received a lower grade than

*By using "academic freedom" in place of political freedom, proponents of the Academic Bill of Rights have been able to draw on rhetoric from both meanings.*

you expected, talk to the professor. She will most likely be more than willing to explain why you did not meet the standards. If you develop a hatred for a professor because you can't tolerate her political beliefs and refuse to see her, it is your own political bias, not hers, that should be reevaluated.

However, it is possible that professors grade on criterion other than quality of work. They could have any number of standards: political ideology, style of dress or even hair color, for example. It would be absurd to set up committees for each of these standards because the chance that students are evaluated on, say, hair color is very slim. BSG needs to show specific examples of blatant political prejudice before it passes proposals protecting political freedoms.

Perhaps most troubling is the potential for misuse of a student's political rights in the classroom. Would it be appropriate for an anarchist to refuse to discuss the function of Congress in an American government class because it violates her political beliefs? How about an Evangelical Christian refusing to take a test on evolution in Introductory Biology because she feels she is being indoctrinated by atheists? These classes could not be offered for fear of offending someone. Political beliefs should not interfere with the academic pursuit of the truth. Only then can we have true academic freedom.

By using "academic freedom" in place of political freedom, proponents of the Academic Bill of Rights have been able to draw on rhetoric from both meanings. They have misled the Bowdoin community by embellishing their arguments against political discrimination with an appeal to intellectual freedom and academic responsibility. I urge people to see arguments over "academic freedom" for what they are. I also hope that proponents of "academic freedom" recognize their mistake and stop their irresponsible behavior of misleading the Bowdoin community.

# College diet includes healthy dose of irony

These Revelations Will Not Be Televised



by Steve  
Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

I read a story on BBC's news web site recently about a man who caught a mouse in his home. The man was bored, and instead of ridding himself of the mouse by drowning it or returning it to the wilds of British suburbia, he (probably) thought to himself "Oi, wouldn't it be a kick in the knickers if I torched the little bugger alive?"

As fortune would have it, the man was burning brush in his backyard at the time. Giddy, he hurried outside and with sadistic pleasure cast the hapless rodent into the flames. "That'll teach 'im to dally about me property!" the man may or may not have said, reveling in the illusion of great power.

But then something wonderful happened. Reacting to a survival instinct that its executioner had failed to account for in his carefully calculated mouse-elimination strategy, the mouse tried to escape the fire. It bolted out of the inferno, scampered across the lawn, and sought sanctuary, quite naturally, in the man's house.

"Bollocks!" the man very likely exclaimed.

Now, going through all that trouble to incinerate a defenseless creature only to have it defy death and resume its infestation of his home was a lot of work for nothing, so one can understand the man's frustration. But there was an even more urgent concern: the mouse was still on fire.

Yes, that heroic little rodent returned to the man's house from whence it came...and burned it to the ground.

When at last the structure's remains lay smoldering atop its foundation, the mouse climbed to the peak of the half-collapsed chimney, looked down with great satisfaction at the man's ashen face, and gave him the finger.

Okay, I made that very last part up. But the rest of the story is true, which brings me to my word of the day: irony.

irony (I-&-nE also I(-&-)r-nE). n. 3 a (1): incongruity between the actual result of a sequence of events and the normal or expected result (source: Merriam-Webster's).

I mean, talk about serious irony—you could practically build a religion on that kind of a parable.

Yes, irony lives! But it is not just a British craze, everyone's got the fever...do you?

"Of course not," you might reply. "I am a serious, self-possessed person with an acute sense of awareness and a partial college education. I am a figurative stone wall to the winds of irony!"

I'm just kidding. You don't really talk like that.

The thing is that like herpes, irony can often afflict a person without an exhibition of explicit

symptoms. And like herpes, it is horribly contagious.

Entertain, for example, the following scenario: You put off writing your philosophy essay for the two weeks allotted by your professor, assuming that

daily viewings of VH1's "Best Week Ever" will offer insight into Kant's discussion of the Categorical Imperative.

"Dude, it's three in the morning, and your paper's due in five and a half hours," says your roommate, who knows for a fact that you haven't even purchased the book. "Don't you think you should start working on it?"

"Nah," you say, selecting the "play all" option on your "Family Guy" DVD's menu screen. "Papers

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about normative ethics practically write themselves. I have time to watch at least another four or five episodes."

Here we observe a sort of irony especially common to collegians: irony (I-&-nE also I(-&-)r-nE). n. 3 b (1): incongruity between a situation developed in a drama and the accompanying words or actions that is understood by the audience but not by the characters in the play—also called dramatic irony, tragic irony.

Everyone reading this anecdote knows that your paper is not going to get finished in time, yet your character remains convinced that it will. Most students play this role from time to time in the epic tragic-comedy that is their college education. Ironically, most also study it.

But if that example fails to strike a familiar chord, try this one on for size:

You're at a campus-wide party at one of the social houses, shaking what God gave you in an attempt to convey some semblance of sex appeal. After a few drinks, your inhibitions slip away and you feel increasingly convinced that you are channeling Usher. You begin gyrating to the beat of the music with enthusiasm those around you will later describe as "terrifying." At some point, you begin "dancing" in close enough proximity to a



## Fortune rules with a fist of irony

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member of the opposite sex to lead you to believe that you are dancing "with" her.

After a little while, when the music dies down and members of the coed congregation begin either pairing off or passing out, you spy your involuntary dance partner lingering by the coats. Acting on the supposition that her physical association with you had not been merely incidental, you put on your "game face" and make your approach (note to readers: never make your "game face" in front of a mirror or any reflective surface). Your interaction goes like this:

You: What's going on?

Her: Nothing.

You: "Nice, nice... So what are you up to now?"

Her: I'm not sure (averts eyes, looks over at friends). I'm pretty tired. I'll probably go to bed soon.

You: (maintaining "game face") It's so early, though! You should stick around, have a few drinks...I've got the whole first season of "Reno 911" on DVD...

Her: I don't know, I have to get up early and it's probably best that I get some shut-eye. But hey, thanks for the dance!

You: Okay, well, don't be a stranger!

Her: I won't. Goodbye!

Perfectly diplomatic, wasn't it? And if it weren't for irony, you might actually be convinced that you had this exact conversation. But you'd be wrong.

You see, the Bowdoin student body is a conglomeration of perhaps the most friendly, courteous, and conscientious 18 to 22-year-olds in the country—everyone is extraordinarily sensitive to the

feelings of everyone else. Consequently, in scenarios such as these, candor tends to get the axe, and our third definition of irony inevitably takes root:

irony (I-r&-n&E also I-(&)-n&E). n. 2: a: the use of words to express something other than and especially the opposite of the literal meaning.

In the effort to be polite, many disinterested parties will tactfully cloak their real responses in ironic language. This is the conversation you actually had:

You: What's goin' on?

Her: Uh-oh. You're hitting on me.

You: Nice, nice...So what are you up to now?

Her: I'm leaving (averts eyes, looks over at friends). I'll probably go to an off-campus party with my friends and flirt with upperclassmen.

You: (maintaining "game face") It's so early, though! You should stick around, have a few drinks...I've got the whole first season of "Reno 911" on DVD...

Her: I don't know what that is. It's probably best that I go before this becomes protracted and awkward. But hey, thanks for sweating on me!

You: Okay, well, don't be a stranger!

Her: Technically, I am. Goodbye!

These accounts may seem unsettling, but the prevalence of irony in college life is by no means lamentable. Nineteenth century Danish philosopher Søren Kierkegaard once observed, "Irony is a disciplinarian feared by those who don't know it, and cherished by those who do."

Of course, it's unclear whether or not he was just being ironic.

because "he knows he will lose." This was in violation of the Orient's policy that disallows personal attacks in letters, and it should not have been published. The Orient regrets the error.

### CORRECTION

In last week's set of letters "Responses to 'Republicans Impose Ideology' by Chi '07," Alex Linhart '06 wrote that Frank Chi '07 declined to debate him about the Academic Bill of Rights

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## Thorne's Appel loved kids, life

by Joanne Adams  
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Jim Appel was a member of the Dining Service for many years. He was courageous, kind, and loving to the end.

I always thought Mr. Appel's name was pronounced as it is spelled. He corrected me and told me he was "Mr. Apple." I never believed him.

He took Russian classes, and was fascinated by Russian lore, history, and culture. He wanted to go there someday. Russian is a hard language to learn. It was a monumental task for a man who was a dishwasher at the dining hall, had a family to support, and worked two jobs.

When I first met Mr. Appel at Bowdoin he was working two jobs. He worked at Bowdoin from noon to 8 p.m. washing pots. From here he went to Denny's at Cooks Corner and washed dishes on the graveyard shift until 7 a.m. Sometimes at Bowdoin I would walk by the pot sink, and he would be asleep standing up with his hands in the water. I would poke him to wake him up so the bosses would not see him. He was making money for his family.

He was always the first one to participate in the staff education days that were offered to Bowdoin employees. One year, he ended up in the same classes that I did. We went to the art museum here on campus, and before he left he bought a little trinket for each of his daughters. The next leg of our journey was the Bowdoin College Museum of Art. When the tour was through, he came out and, once again, had a little trinket for each of his daughters. He explained to us what he had bought and why.

He loved the kids at Bowdoin. He was always interested in their music and clubs. He was a big fan of Bowdoin's sports teams. He loved all sports, and you could count on seeing him at all the Bowdoin football games. Even after he had started to walk back and forth to work, he would come early enough to take in the game and could always give you the stats of any Bowdoin team. He

loved to take his girls to the hockey and basketball games.

He thought athletics were an important part of a child's life. One year he decided that he wanted his girls to take swimming lessons that are offered at the college for the children of faculty and staff. Many staffers do not enroll their children because the lessons are not cheap—but Mr. Appel did.

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He wanted his girls to know how to swim. These lessons were during his regular work hours, so he had to go to the bosses and get a special dispensation for him to get out for that hour to be there at the lessons. He came to work one hour early every day so that he could have that one hour off mid-afternoon to pick up his girls for swim lessons. Family was important to him. He appreciated the fact that it was important enough to Bowdoin to allow him to do this. You never did anything for him without getting a thank you.

At the end of his time with us at Bowdoin, things really went badly for him. His eyesight was very affected by his health issues, so he could barely drive. He had to start finding rides to and from work. Bowdoin was 15 miles from home and too far for him to walk in his condition. He finally gave in and started to ask for rides. Jim did not give up on life or on work until the very end. I used to see him sometimes at 8:30 p.m. in Woolwich heading down Arrowsoic Road and I would give him a ride. That road was a long and dark three miles for a man with cancer, but he did it many a cold night. He was always anxious to get home to that house that was freezing cold and dark

freezing cold out and his furnace was not working. He was using kerosene space heaters to heat his entire farmhouse, moving them from room to room as needed. His car was sitting at a garage to be fixed so he could get back and forth to the cancer center for treatments. He never complained or asked for help. Instead, he walked to chemo, and either walked or cabbied home.

I called Susie Dorn at the Bowdoin Community Resource Center and told her about our friend's situation. She went to work immediately collecting money and services for this member

of our "Bowdoin family." The Dining Service always sponsors a family at Christmas each year. I asked that the family we sponsor be Mr. Appel's. We raised over \$2,000 college-wide. The auto shop agreed to fix his car. The heating shop agreed to go down on their time and fix the furnace. Information Technology donated a computer to the girls for their schoolwork. One day right before Christmas, we loaded everything into my van and Dan Williams, Patty Silevinac, Jim Brewer and I went to Mr. Appel's house. He could not believe we had done all of this for them. He cried openly as he thanked us. I had never made such a huge difference in someone's life before and I was in awe that this small thing had made such a huge difference in our friend's life.

I was in touch with him quite a lot over the next few months, making sure he got his benefits, and that the furnace and car repairs actually came through. We heard of the multiple surgeries and treatments that he had. Nothing seemed to work. Jim never gave up and never gave up living. He continued to take Russian and continued to go to Bowdoin events. I will always

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remember him walking down Arrowsoic road in the dark of night in such a hurry to get home. I hope that, on whatever road he is walking today, the sun is warm on his back, the road is easy on his feet, and he has good shoes for a change. Goodbye, my friend. I will always remember the unique things that made you Mr. Apple. He was 54 and left two teen daughters this past week.

Appel died February 4. He was employed at the College for four years. Joanne Adams is the head baker at Thorne Hall.

## Don't just sit there: ask her out!

by Nicole Alvarez  
CONTRIBUTOR

Valentine's Day is around the corner, and I couldn't feel more pity for the singletons on campus who actually want to partake in the Hallmark holiday. "Why?" you ask. Because some of the men at Bowdoin are clueless, at least when it comes to showing a girl that they like her or think she's adorable.

For those of you out there pretending that you don't like the girl but you really do, but you don't know what signals to send so you're screwing it all up, here's a word of advice: Ask her out already! And preferably take her to an off-campus location, because the whole, "You wanna do dinner tonight? How's 6:15 at Thorne?" via AIM is way too vague. For guys and girls, it's generally frowned upon to lead

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she'll just recount how she almost got knocked down in the Union the other day because, "some fool just let the door go when [she] was about to step through it and didn't bother to check if someone else was coming." If that isn't scary enough, some of my other friends have decided they're going to grow old with 15 cats. And they already have them named. This isn't normal!

So for both the men and women out there, if you feel that you actually want to go on a date with someone this Valentine's Day—and I'm not talking about lifetime commitment here, just one stupid date—let the person know you want to see her. And just so you know, "seeing" a person for 35 seconds as he scurries across the Quad to class does not constitute a relationship in any shape or form. That's just sketchy.

Draw cartoons for the  
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# The Weekly Calendar

## February 10-February 16

### Friday

#### Common Hour

Come hear National Book Award-winner Charles Johnson weave history, philosophy, and creativity together to explain how the power of the past can shape the present. Johnson is also a literary critic, cartoonist, and novelist.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

**Shabbat Candle Lighting**  
Johnson House, 5 p.m.

#### Film: Love Me If You Dare

A French comedy about two adults, Julien and Sophie, who play the childish game of constantly trying to outdo one another. But is it really a way to hide a growing love?

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### The Spoken World

Marc Barmuthi Joseph, slam poet and choreographer, will give a performance. Joseph is also trained in many styles of dance, including African, modern, jazz, tap, and ballet.

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 8-10 p.m.

### Saturday

**Film: Love Me If You Dare**  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7 p.m.

#### Armed and Sexified

The comedy troupe Improvabilities presents improvised skits and games with a Valentine's Day theme.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 8-9 p.m.



A golden-crowned kinglet perches on a branch in Reid State Park.

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### Sunday

#### RAD

Rape Aggression Defense, a self-defense class for women, will be offered by Bowdoin security today and next Sunday. Participants will learn techniques for defensive assault and how to make smart decisions about resistance.

Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union,  
12-5 p.m.

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

#### Jez Lowe and The Bad Pennies

Jez Lowe, a musician and songwriter from northeast England, will perform songs in the English folk style with his band, The Bad Pennies.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
4-6 p.m.

### Monday

**Tomorrow is Valentine's Day...**

Don't Forget to Buy Flowers for Your Sweetheart!

### Tuesday

#### Aid in Afghanistan

Sarah Chayes, Afghan-aid worker and former National Public Radio reporter, will give a lecture entitled, "Pursuit of Vanquished Foes: Patterns of War in the History of Afghanistan and Central Asia."

Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center,  
7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Blood Drive

Sargent Gym, Smith Union,  
3-10 p.m.

#### Fake!

Clifton Olds, the Edith Cleaves Barry Professor of the History and Criticism of Art Emeritus, will give a talk entitled, "Fake! The Art of Forging Art."

Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center, 4-6 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Black Film Festival

The film "Introducing Dorothy Dandridge" follows the endeavors of Dandridge, a talented young actress who was all Americans could hope for—except she was black.

Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center,  
8-10:30 p.m.

#### Chakra

Mona Paschke will begin a seven-week Chakra Meditation class. A new Chakra style will be taught each week.  
Peucinian Room, Sills Hall,  
5:30-6:45 p.m.



Swirls of ice decorate the ground on the Quad.

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## Professors review new IP policy

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen presented a draft form of Bowdoin's new intellectual property policy to the College's faculty last week. According to McEwen, the new policy is largely an attempt to codify the College's current practices, replacing an old policy adopted in the 1970s.

The new policy comes after a faculty member expressed concern that a senior administration official had improperly used material from his grant proposal, raising questions about the College's policy at the time. However, in an article published in the Orient earlier this year, McEwen maintained that the new proposal was unrelated to the incident.

The primary purpose of the draft, according to McEwen, is to state the current practice of the College in terms of intellectual property rights. In general, the policy states that students and faculty own the products of their intellectual work.

"In terms of intellectual property rights it doesn't change current practice," McEwen said. "It talks about the exceptional cases where there may be some joint ownership with the College or sole ownership, and most importantly, it creates procedures for resolving uncertain cases."

## Senior countdown: only one hundred days to spare



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Seniors Elizabeth Groggitis, Becky Sargent, Ellen Grenley, and Sarah Riley bowl as a team on Thursday night.

dures for resolving uncertain cases."

McEwen cited three specific "distinguishing elements" that would render the work of a faculty member or student to be partially owned by the College. The draft of the policy states the College has interest in intellectual property if a project has to do with the basic functioning of the College, involves an identity

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## Librarians sign on to answer queries

by Beth Kowitz  
ORIENT STAFF

Students now have a new excuse to chat online while working on a paper or a problem set. But this time they're not procrastinating—they're chatting with a librarian.

With the library's new instant messaging service through AIM, Yahoo, MSN, and ICQ, as well as a "Live Research Help" link, students can get an immediate response to their questions without stepping into the library.

"It's just another way for students to get help," said Instructional Media Services Librarian Carmen Greenlee, who will be answering the online inquiries along with Reference Librarian Carr Ross and Science Librarian Sue O'Dell.

"We have a mix of services—phone, walk-in, email, and now chat," Ross said of the newly piloted

service. "Each one will appeal to a different segment of the user population and each is suitable for different types of questions."

Students can check if the reference librarian is logged on through the library's homepage or by adding the reference librarians' screenname (bowdref for AIM and Yahoo, bowdref@hotmail.com for MSN messenger, 282630119 for ICQ) to their buddy lists.

Greenlee anticipates that the type of questions students may ask will parallel those which arise in other library services such as technical problems, difficulties in understanding terminology, and research-related inquiries.

"I won't be surprised if it becomes popular with students studying away and for students who are physically away from Bowdoin," she said.

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## Campaign goal merges service and academics

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

As part of the capital campaign, College administrators are in the process of developing the Center for the Common Good, an expanded vision for the future of service at Bowdoin. The center would not be a physical building on campus, but rather a continued pledge to service made by the Bowdoin community to unify academics and community service.

Director of the Community Service Resource Center Susan Dorn defined her vision for the Center for the Common Good in an interview with the Orient.

"We will see students coming

together with faculty and staff to work with community partners on projects that have real-life implications," Dorn said.

"We want to weave the common good into the very fabric of this institution, which means connecting it to the academic program of the College," she said.

According to Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley, the goal of the center is to fuse community service and academics. The center will provide the funding necessary to join the student-led Community Service Resource Center with service learning courses and community-based faculty research.

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## Local students come to view Cuban art exhibit, college life

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

"They drive by campus every day on the way to school, but have no idea what it is," said Rachel Rapp '08, referring to students at local middle schools who have spent little or no time on the college campus that sits at the center of their community.

Rapp is a student in Latin American Cultures, a class taught every spring by Associate Professor of Romance Languages and Program Director of Latin American Studies Enrique Yepes. This Friday, Rapp and her class will welcome 88 Brunswick Junior High School students to Bowdoin.

This event is part of the Community Service Resource

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## Tenure decisions finalized

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

The Board of Trustees voted last weekend to grant tenure to nine professors recommended by the administration. These professors will now hold the title "associate professor with tenure."

The trustees did not take up the tenure bids for two professors who were originally under consideration. One professor's tenure candidacy is still "in process," according to Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen. He said he could not provide any additional details.

The Orient has also learned that the administration did not recommend to trustees another candidate who was up for tenure. McEwen said he could not confirm or comment on the situation.

"These are personnel decisions," he said. "These are confidential decisions."

According to McEwen, the nine professors who were granted tenure are:

-Mark Battle from the Department of Physics and Astronomy. Battle's research interests include atmospheric composition and climate change.

-Aviva Briefel from the Department of English. Briefel is known on campus for being an expert on horror films—along with Victorian literature—and was selected by the Class of 2006 to give this semester's Karofsky Faculty Encore Lecture.

-Jorunn Buckley from the Department of Religion. She is an historian of religions and uses a comparative perspective, according to her web site.

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Work by Cuban artist Elio Vilva-Trujillo is one stop on the Brunswick Junior High School students' campus tour, part of the Aspirations in Maine program.



## Nine faculty members granted tenure



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Landscape painter Jim Mullen from the Department of Visual Arts was one of the nine professors granted tenure last weekend by the Trustees.

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-Elena Cueto-Asin from the Department of Romance Languages. Cueto-Asin teaches Spanish and researches contemporary Spanish theater and film.

-Songren Cui from the Department of Asian Studies. Cui teaches Chinese and recently published a textbook on using the Chinese language in business.

-Katherine Dauge-Roth from the Department of Romance Languages. Dauge-Roth teaches French and was selected in 2005 as the recipient of the Sydney B. Karofsky Prize for Junior Faculty. That award is given by the dean of academic affairs and is based on student evaluations.

-James Mullen from the Department of Visual Arts. He is a painter and is represented by the Sherry French Gallery in New York.

-Arielle Saiber from the Department of Romance Languages. She teaches Italian literature.

-Krista Van Vleet from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. Van Vleet teaches anthropology and researches kinship and gender among Andeans in Bolivia, according to her web site.

While the Board of Trustees is the body that officially grants tenure, faculty and administrators undertake a yearlong process in private before making recommendations to the board. The professor's academic department, the Committee on Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure, the dean for academic affairs, and the president examine the candidates and make recommendations.

"In all cases, the president's recommendation is the final recommendation," McEwen said.

"If there is a negative decision, that stops at the president," he said. The decision will not move to the trustees.

Positive recommendations are considered by two trustee committees before being referred to the full Board of Trustees for a final vote. As reported in last week's *Orient*, that final vote does not usually waver from the previous recommendations and is considered somewhat celebratory.

Candidates for tenure are expected to show excellence in the areas of teaching and scholarship.

"People need to have achieved in both," McEwen said. He noted that a candidate could not demonstrate only an excellent teaching record or only an excellent research record.

According to the faculty handbook, contributions made to the College community are subservient to these

### two requirements.

A professor is typically a candidate for tenure during his or her sixth year of service at Bowdoin. The rank is a near guarantee of lifetime employment. According to the College's by-laws, "Tenure shall exist as a safeguard of academic freedom and may be terminated only for reasons of gross neglect of duty, serious misconduct, or physical or mental incapacity."

## Aspirations in Maine program encourages Mainers to consider college

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Center's (CSRC) Aspirations in Maine program, a plan that is still only a vision but will be officially formulated within the next month, according to Director of the Community Service Resource Center Susan Dorn.

Aspirations in Maine is Bowdoin's unique program meant to tackle the problem of low college attendance rates in Maine, despite the state's outstanding high school graduation rates. According to Sarah Mountcastle '05, an AmeriCorps volunteer in service to America, 86 percent of Mainers graduate high school, 69 percent intend to enroll in college, and only about half of those who intend to enroll actually do.

"The program is trying to address that gap," Coordinator of Community Service Programs Sarah Seames said.

The middle school students coming to campus tomorrow are scheduled to view the work of Cuban artist Elio Vilva-Trujillo currently displayed in Lancaster Lounge as part of their morning-long tour of the college campus.

### Thursday, February 9

\*Three students were cited for alcohol policy violations in Coleman Hall.

\*Several students in Moore Hall were cited for alcohol policy violations after Security responded to a report of a loud gathering.

### Friday, February 10

\*Four bales of hay were set on fire in the Quad area of Brunswick Apartments. Brunswick Fire extinguished the blaze.

\*A student at Moore Hall reported that an orange was thrown through a dorm window.

\*A staff member reported damage to windows in a storage shed at Brunswick Apartments.

## Intellectual property policy clarified after last year's confusion

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interest of the College such as the name, logo, or reputation of the College, or makes substantial use of college resources.

According to the draft, using "substantial college resources" means that the student or faculty has used "resources to a degree or nature not routinely made available," including the use of labs, equipment, or funds, but not resources like computers or libraries.

However, the policy states that as a general rule, Bowdoin will not attempt to assert ownership of "traditional scholarly work." According to the draft, "traditional scholarly work" is defined broadly to include pedagogical, literary, artistic, and creative works created by faculty and/or students.

"The basic assumption is that when you're doing traditional scholarly work that you basically own the product of that work," McEwen said.

After McEwen presented the draft in the faculty meeting, the faculty raised several questions about details of the proposal. Associate Professor of Sociology and Anthropology and Director of the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum and Arctic Studies Center Susan Kaplan was skeptical about the application of the policy when applied to scholarly work done by employees of the college who were non-professors.

"This policy has all this stuff for faculty, but then it says intellectual property created by non-faculty college employees is owned by the College. That's a pretty absolute statement," Kaplan said. "Curators writing up research or field work, the College has total rights to the work of those individuals and I think that that is

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Director of the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum

extreme and is not really what the College should be doing and claiming."

Kaplan went on to express concern about how the draft policy, if finalized, could potentially have an effect on who the College hires.

"My concern is that we hire our staff quite often because of their expertise, and because of the breadth of their experience and interest, and I would worry that we will not be able to attract or retain those talented people with a policy like this," she said.

Associate Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Scott MacEachern agreed with Kaplan.

"The draft as it reads is that when [non-faculty employees of the College] are doing traditional scholarly work—when doing archaeological work—that in some way all the papers would belong to the College," he said.

"So, it would not be the sort of outcome that those staff members would want, and that's not the outcome that the College would want because the College has no interest, as far as I know, in the ownership in archaeological reports."

McEwen acknowledged these concerns, but said that nobody at the meeting presented any problems with the basics of the new policy.

"There were good questions raised on the faculty floor on some of the details of the proposed policy. We're working on those. There weren't fundamental questions raised about the policy itself, so I took that as good news," he said. Referring to the issue of the appropriation of scholarly work done by non-faculty employees, he said "that's not the intent of the policy, but it would appear to be the wording of the draft. It's one of the issues we're working on."

Once revised, the proposed policy will be submitted to the trustees for approval.

The actual artwork focuses on the saints of Santeria, a religion created when African slaves were brought to Cuba. The slaves were forced to practice Catholicism, but only used it to cover up their own indigenous religious practices. The paintings are of Santeria saints, each of whom has his own color and meaning.

"I first heard about the artwork through the Brunswick-Trinidad sister city association," Yepes said. Brunswick is part of a sister city program with Trinidad, Cuba. Through correspondence, the Brunswick sister city association started promoting Vilva-Trujillo's artwork.

"We're going to talk about some of the culture behind the paintings, and point out the meanings of color, to give the kids a feel for that," Rapp said.

While the students are coming to campus with the initial aim to view the Cuban art exhibit, most of their time will be spent out and around campus. Student co-coordinator Megan MacLennan '07 has been organizing the program over the past few weeks.

"[Artwork was] the reason why we thought of doing the event, then [we] thought it would be a great idea to use this to give them a glimpse of college life," she said.

The middle school students will be seeing a first-year dorm room, a classroom in Massachusetts Hall, as well as other points of interest on campus before eating lunch with their student tour guides at Thorne.

"I think it's a really neat opportunity," MacLennan said. "They get to form a relationship with a real Bowdoin student—an example of what to aspire to."

In addition to showing them the campus, Yepes' students will be incorporating Spanish into the tour. "They will be conversing in Spanish throughout the day, [but] it's going to be more of a 'Spanglish' mix."

The students of Yepes' class are very excited about showing the kids around campus.

"We're not only going to look at dorms, but the cultural aspect [of Bowdoin]," said Rapp. "It's cool to be a part of that."

Other programs contained under

the umbrella of Aspirations in Maine include America Reads and Counts, the Youth and Education Conference, eight student-run mentoring programs, and "Aspirations in Maine: The Bowdoin College Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service." The MLK Day of Service, sponsored by the CSRC and Upward Bound, invited 65 ninth graders from seven surrounding high schools to Bowdoin earlier this month to encourage high school students to seek higher education.

"They came for the day to learn about college and experience college first hand," Mountcastle said.

During their visit, the high school students were paired up with Bowdoin students and got a chance to learn about the University of Maine system and local community colleges.

"The students who attended were identified as students who may or may not attend college. Many will be first generation college students," Mountcastle said. "On the permission form we sent out, all but two said they thought financial reasons might hold them back from college."

Today's event also hopes to spark local students' interest in college.

"Bowdoin, being a very accessible campus, makes it easy to put this together here," Dorn said.

Anne Riley contributed to this report.

## CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT: 2/9 TO 2/13

### Thursday, February 9

\*Three students were cited for alcohol policy violations in Coleman Hall.

\*Several students in Moore Hall were cited for alcohol policy violations after Security responded to a report of a loud gathering.

### Friday, February 10

\*Four bales of hay were set on fire in the Quad area of Brunswick Apartments. Brunswick Fire extinguished the blaze.

\*A student at Moore Hall reported that an orange was thrown through a dorm window.

\*A staff member reported damage to windows in a storage shed at Brunswick Apartments.

\*A student reported a dark colored American Eagle brand pea coat stolen from Jack Magee's Pub on February 2.

### Saturday, February 11

\*A false fire alarm on the north end of the second floor of Maine Hall was caused by a person activating a pull station.

\*A staff member reported damage to a sheet rock wall inside Smith Union.

\*A staff member reported damaging a College van when she backed into the Smith Union loading dock.

### Sunday, February 12

\*A female student at Coleman Hall, who became unresponsive after consuming hard alcohol, was transported to Parkview Hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

\*A male student at Coles Tower who became seriously ill after consuming hard alcohol was transported to Parkview Hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

### Monday, February 13

\*A gym bag was reported stolen from Sargent Gym. The bag is described as black with a white numeral "2" on the side.

\*Security responded to a false intrusion alarm at Banister Hall.

\*A Maine Hall student with breathing problems was transported to Parkview Hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security

## CORRECTION

The February 9 story "Students called to action at Darfur panel discussion" inadvertently misquoted Visiting Assistant Professor of Government Shelley Deane. In her presentation, Deane called Sudan the third-largest oil producer in Africa, not in the world as indicated by the article. Also, one of the event's sponsoring organizations was misnamed. It should have read, "Bowdoin Students for Democratic Socialism." The *Orient* regrets the errors.

# Online BSG suggestion box initiates student dialogue

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Students are urging Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) to put sheep out on the Quad to graze. This proposal, along with several more serious suggestions, appears on BSG's new online suggestion box.

On Monday, BSG added a feature to its web site that enables students to post suggestions, anonymously if they wish, and vote for or against each others' ideas.

Vice President of Facilities William Donahoe '08 is in charge of sending out emails to the student body on behalf of BSG and although he has always included a note at the bottom of each email that encourages students to contact BSG with concerns, he said that members of BSG "don't get a lot [of suggestions]." In fact, he added, "We get

more emails from other schools asking us how we do stuff."

Since the implementation of the suggestion box earlier this week, students have added several suggestions to the web site, which concern everything from social life on campus to buying textbooks.

When a suggestion is submitted, Donahoe reviews it for anything inappropriate, posts it on the web site, and begins looking into the issue. Sometimes, suggestions will be discussed at BSG meetings in order to decide how to proceed. Other times, upon reading certain suggestions, Donahoe said he thinks, "Oh perfect!" and emails the administration to follow up immediately. According to Donahoe, presenting the number of votes that a suggestion has is like presenting a petition for an idea.

Donahoe believes it is important

to communicate with concerned students, so he usually responds to students right away to let them know if their suggestion is already in the works, if it will be looked into, or, in some cases, why it just is not possible.

"It makes me ask questions too, which is important," Donahoe said.

Sometimes, a student will make a proposition to create something that already exists. In cases such as this, BSG considers more advertising.

"The suggestions can have a really fast turn-around," Donahoe said. For instance, he said that a student suggested enhancing the suggestion box by allowing students to add comments to posted suggestions. BSG immediately began work on the proposal.

"It is nice to have the input," Donahoe said, "because so many ideas are better from the outside."

# ESOL program supports students as they perfect writing in English

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

At the start of the semester, ESOL Coordinator Lisa Flanagan encouraged faculty to recommend students to the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program, citing a need for students to get help as early in their Bowdoin careers as possible.

The Bowdoin ESOL program provides aid for international students and students with parents whose native language is not English.

Lisa Flanagan arrived in October to help with the Writing Project and the ESOL program, which falls in the Office of the Dean for Academic Affairs. Flanagan works with students to refine their writing, to improve their grammar, and to employ

English idioms, in addition to helping them adjust to a new culture.

"My job is [to provide] writing support for students whose first language isn't English," Flanagan said. "I also help them to understand what Bowdoin expects from students."

According to Flanagan, there are a wide range of students who receive help from the ESOL program. For some international students, English may be a third or fourth language for them. Other students come from traditionally immigrant neighborhoods and have not been exposed to extensive English training in their local high schools.

"I have a mix of international and domestic students. It goes from big picture to smaller problems," Flanagan said.

High school experiences with English can be key for the students with whom Flanagan works. Often, students who have had good ESOL programs in high school do not need as much help once they arrive at Bowdoin.

"Some of these students have gone to American high schools, but their schools didn't prepare them that well. That's a huge problem," Flanagan said.

Dudney Sylla '08, whose family left Port-au-Prince, Haiti and came to Boston in 1988, agrees with Flanagan's assessment of the impor-

tance of English training in high school. His parents primarily speak Haitian Creole, so when he got to school, he received help from his schools' ESOL programs, beginning in elementary school.

"My high school was really good at preparing people. It was hard pronouncing or understanding certain words at first, since the first language I learned was Haitian Creole, but I have no problems now," Sylla said.

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Lisa Flanagan  
ESOL Coordinator

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

\*Attendance: 25/26. Absent: Elizabeth Gillespie '09.

\*The BSG Facilities Committee is hoping to create a Bowdoin iTunes store.

\*The BSG Affairs Committee gave a media update on the Academic Bill of Rights issue, featuring articles from the Magic City Morning Star, the Portland Phoenix, and the Orient.

\*The BSG Committee on Academic Affairs will sponsor a forum on the issue of academic bias on Wednesday, February 22, in Hubbard 208.

\*BSG unanimously passed a proposal to hold an event for voters to meet all candidates for elected office.

\*The creation of an Elections Commission passed 22-1. It will be made up of the non-candidate officers and the Judicial Board chair. In the event the Commission numbers to less than three, senior BSG members will also be included.

\*A proposal that would ban BSG officers from making positive or negative statements about candidates failed to pass, 8-13-1.

\*A constitutional amendment which provides guidelines for students who wish to propose ideas to BSG was passed unanimously.

# Board names honorary degree recipients for May

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

The Board of Trustees selected the College's honorary degree recipients at last weekend's tri-annual meeting.

Harvard graduate Roger Angell will receive a doctorate of letters at graduation in May. His career started as a managing editor for a weekly magazine while he was stationed in the Pacific with the United States Army Air Forces.

His career then evolved to writing about baseball, becoming senior editor at The New Yorker, receiving such honors as the Authors Guild Award for Distinguished Service to American Letters, and most recently serving as a Kelly Writers House Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania in 2005.

Harvard Medical School Assistant Professor Nawal Nour has been selected to receive a doctorate in science. Nour serves as a physician and OB-GYN at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, in addition to being the founder and director of its African Women's Health Center, the nation's only African health practice.

In 2003, Nour was awarded the MacArthur Foundation Fellowship for her national and international efforts to educate patients, families, and fellow doctors on the health and policy consequences of female circumcision.

Recipient of a doctorate in fine arts, Kiki Smith is a renowned graphic artist and sculptor. Her critically acclaimed work has been displayed in such places as the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, the Solomon R.

Guggenheim Museum, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Museum of Contemporary Art in Los Angeles, and the Bowdoin College Museum of Art.

In 2000, Smith was awarded the Skowhegan Medal for Sculpture.

Doctorate of letters recipient Beverly Tatum serves as Spelman College president and is a nationally recognized expert on race relations. She has conducted research in the area of teen racial identity development, the impact of race in classrooms, and African-American families' experiences in predominantly white communities.

Among her books are "Assimilation Blues: Black Families in a White Community" (1987) and "Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?" and Other Conversations about Race" (1997).

Doctorate of laws recipient Donald M. Zuckert '56 began his involvement with Bowdoin College as a student, and moved on to leadership roles ranging from overseer of the College in 1987 to chair of the Board of Trustees from 2002 to 2005 and finally to trustee emeritus in 2005.

In 1986, Zuckert also established the Donald M. Zuckert Visiting Professorship, aimed at attracting individuals from government or the arts to teach at Bowdoin and provide public lectures and performances.

Following Bowdoin tradition, the College's 201st Commencement Exercises, slated to be held on May 27, 2006, will include events with the honorary degree recipients as well as a keynote address by an honorary degree recipient.

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

### Quad circles seen on web cam amuse alarmed alums

A mysterious design in the snow appeared early this week on the Quad and left members of the Bowdoin community baffled as to how it got there. While some wrote it off as the work of student pranksters, others suggested that extraterrestrial forces might be involved.

The large design consisted of three multi-colored concentric circles.

The Orient received an email from several members of the classes of 2001 and 2002, requesting an investigation into the mysterious designs they termed "crop circles." The alumni were able to monitor the situation remotely by accessing the Quad webcam on Bowdoin's web site.

The email showed evidence that the circles were drawn in the snow sometime late Monday night or early Tuesday morning.

A subsequent Orient investigation yielded few answers.

Director of Facilities Operations & Maintenance Ted Stam told the Orient he was unsure how the circles got there. He said they appeared to be made of food dye, and guessed they were the result of "some people just having fun."

Speculation that the circles might be related to the Bowdoin Student Government's (BSG) Winter Carnival planned for this weekend led the Orient to ask BSG President



The puzzling Quad circles, pictured above from the webcam feed, appeared in the snow earlier this week. They have since melted.

DeRay McKesson if he knew of the origin of the circles. McKesson said he did not.

The circles faded and disappeared as the weather became progressively warmer over the course of the week.

### Dean McEwen to return to sociology department

When Craig McEwen steps down from his position as dean of academic affairs at the end of June, he will not be leaving Bowdoin.

McEwen will return to the sociology department as the Daniel B. Fayerweather professor of political economy and sociology. In an interview this week, McEwen said he spe-

cializes in the sociology of law, criminology, and conflict resolution.

McEwen will take a one-year sabbatical before teaching again. He said he will spend some time writing, but after eight years away from the classroom, he said he needs to use the time to get courses ready.

"Much of it will be reading and preparing courses," he said.

McEwen's successor in the academic affairs office will be Cristle Collins Judd, who is currently an associate professor of music at the University of Pennsylvania. She begins work on July 1.

—Compiled by Bobby Guerette and James D. Baumberger

## Librarians turn to AIM to answer students' pressing reference questions

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"Serving the common good is why Bowdoin was created—it's historically a core aspect of our identity and our mission academically," he said. "Students coming here have so much going for them—one thing that is so important is to recognize what you have to share."

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## Students' start-up clothing business catches on

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

If you're looking to shell out a little cash for a new polo shirt, you don't have to look any farther than Bowdoin: Since 2005, a little red lobster has begun to replace the traditional Logo horse and Lacoste alligator logos all over Maine and beyond.

They may be younger than the average businessmen, but last spring Scott Caras '08, Ted Upton '07, and Justin Unger, of Babson College, started a company and developed a line of products that are uniquely Maine oriented.

Before they even decided what product they would sell, the young entrepreneurs chose their logo, a red Maine lobster, and name, Cape Catch. They knew that it would be hard to make a popular product without a catchy name and logo. They also wanted to choose something as homage to Maine and particularly, the Maine coast. So, they settled on Cape Catch, partially in reference to their hometown, Cape Elizabeth, Maine, and the Maine fishing industry.

"It is not just some random name," Upton said. "It incorporates a lot of things about our company."

After the establishment of the name and logo and a couple weeks of brainstorming, the men decided that they should sell polo shirts. They chose this item because they recognized its versatility—it can be worn by men or women at casual or more formal events.

Shortly after starting the company, the men running Cape Catch received a grant from Libra Foundations Future Fund. The grant is given to Mainers

between 18 and 25 years old as an incentive for young entrepreneurs in the state to stay in Maine.

"A lot [of people who grow up in Maine] find they need to go to Boston or New York," Upton said. But, with the grant money in their pockets, the men could really get things rolling at a relatively low risk, right out of Cape Elizabeth.

But, as summer wound down, Caras, Upton, and Unger had to face the inevitable split. Caras returned to



Bowdoin, Unger returned to Babson, and Upton headed half way around the world to spend the semester in Australia.

"We're not always in the same place at the same time," Upton said. Last semester, the co-owners had to figure out how to run the company from three different places, dividing up work into different categories that they could each manage.

When Upton returned from Australia for the spring semester, he said he noticed "a sincere interest in [the] company."

Upton and Caras agreed that people seem to really enjoy their product, and that they see people almost every day now sporting a Cape Catch product.

Caras added, "People come up to us that we don't even know and

ask, 'Are you the Cape Catch guys? Where can I get a cap?'"

Although the company began by making most sales through word of mouth and their web site ([www.capecatch.com](http://www.capecatch.com)), they now also sell their products at Ann Veronica, which Caras described as "a high-end, crafty boutique in South Portland."

This winter, the men added the "Classic Cap" and "Book & Boat Tote" to the Cape Catch product line, and they have plans to continue expanding.

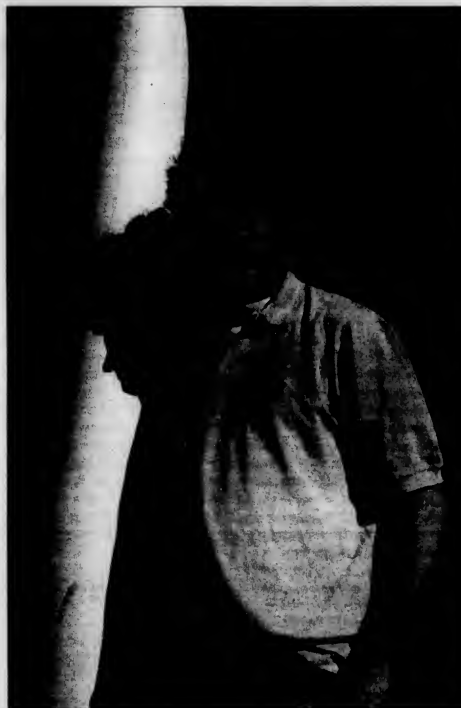
"Going into this, I didn't know how much of a learning experience this would be," Upton said. One thing, in particular, that the men have learned about is taxes. They said that they spent about a week over winter break filing taxes for Cape Catch.

"Not a lot of small business owners file their own taxes," Caras said. "But, it was a great way to learn about our business."

As for their personal future plans, Upton aspires to go to law school, but he believes that there is a lot of overlap between business and law. On the other hand, Caras said that he is fascinated by the business world, and thinks that going into business may be a possibility in his future.

So far, business is going swimmingly for Cape Catch, and the owners have plans to run it for as long as they can.

Upton said that he had expected some people not to take their company seriously because of their age, but he added, "Because we are so young, it is a pretty fascinating story that we've been so successful."



Courtesy of Cape Catch LLC

Andrew Sinenberg '08 models a Cape Catch men's polo shirt for [www.CapeCatch.com](http://www.CapeCatch.com). Two of the three entrepreneurs who started the company, Scott Caras '08 and Ted Upton '07, are Bowdoin students. Cape Catch has used other students at the College to model for their lobster-emblazoned products.

## The Orient profiles head Librarian Sherrie Bergman

by Joy Geertz  
CONTRIBUTOR

After growing up in Manhattan, Bowdoin Librarian Sherrie Bergman thought she would never leave New York.

She managed to stay in the city for undergraduate studies, graduate work, and her first library jobs, but work finally took her to New England.

After obtaining a degree in sociology from Brooklyn College, Bergman received her master's degree in library science at Columbia University before getting her first job at the Queens Borough Public Library. Next, she moved on to the New School for Social Research in Manhattan.

Finally, she was drawn out of New York City when she was offered a job running the library at the Providence campus of Roger Williams College. Leaving New York for the first time was a hard adjustment, but Bergman says that she has come to love New England and now it is her home.

Bergman's love of books drove her to enter library science and she still loves to read and do research. She believes that the library puts her in touch with universal knowledge.

After working at Wheaton College, Bergman joined Bowdoin's staff in 1992 because of Hawthorne-Longfellow Library's reputation for outstanding collections that are great resources for research. She also came here because of the College's reputation for excellence in liberal arts education.

In addition to the school's excellent collections, Bergman was attracted to Bowdoin's technology—and she came here at a time when technology was transforming library services.

As Bergman explained, "I'm really excited about the way technology has changed library service" and that she enjoys the way it brings "a dazzling universe of information to everyone's desktop."

Her favorite part about her job is working with the "wonderful and highly skilled library staff." She also enjoys how serious Bowdoin students are about their academic work and the way that they make many demands on the library. She also enjoys working with Bowdoin faculty, who she describes as serious scholars who appreciate the services offered by the library.

One challenge she enjoys at work is "informing students and

faculty members about the many new services and electronic resources the library is offering."

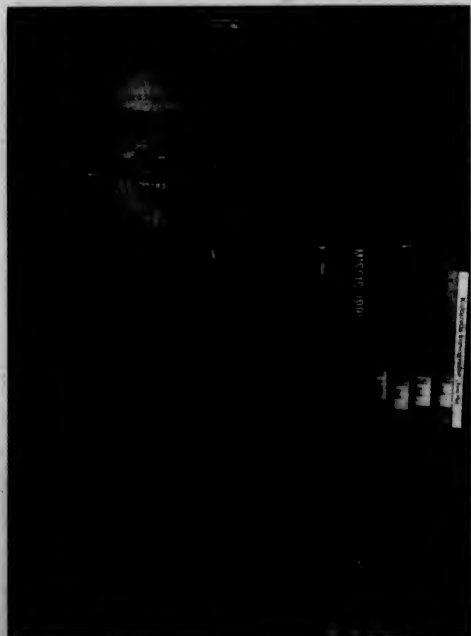
Bergman appreciates the opportunities she has to work with students, and currently is co-advisor to the Bowdoin Hillel with Professor of Economics Rachel Connelly.

"Bergman has been endlessly supportive of everything we [at Hillel] tried to do this year as an organization," Shelley Barron '09 said. "She's really enthusiastic about our activities and our ideas and gives us all the freedom we need as a group. She's always really warm and kind and understanding and optimistic in our personal exchanges. I don't think Hillel could have asked for a better advisor," Barron added.

Bergman is also well-respected by her co-workers. Jaime Jones, the evening circulation assistant at the library, explained, "I think she is a great person and I wish that I had the opportunity to work more with her."

In addition to her work on Bowdoin's campus, Sherrie is active in several organizations that deal with care of the elderly. One of these is the Maine State

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Librarian of the College Sherrie Bergman.

# Toads cannot give you warts, but taking a shower barefoot, on the other hand...

## Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: Are warts contagious?  
—T.P.

Dear T.P.: Warts are caused by an infection of skin cells by human papillomavirus (HPV). They are very common, second only to acne among dermatological problems and affect at least three out of four of us at some point in our lives. There are more than 70 subtypes of HPV, and all of them incorporate their DNA into infected cells, possibly remaining in our bodies for life. During times of physical or emotional stress, when our immune systems are weakened, viral proliferation can start up and warts appear.

Warts are classified according to location. Different viral sub-

types have marked predilections for different types of skin, and thus different parts of the body. Common, elevated warts typically appear on the hands and are caused by eight different subtypes. Other HPV subtypes cause flat warts (usually appearing on the face and legs), genital warts (found in the anogenital areas), and callus-covered plantar warts (on the soles of our feet).

Humans are the only known reservoir of HPV. No other animals, including toads, are known to carry or transmit the virus. Direct person-to-person transmission of non-genital warts is relatively inefficient. Transmission of HPV occurs primarily through direct contact with infected skin cells. The virus presumably enters through small breaks in the skin. HPV is quite hardy and can survive for considerable periods of time on fomites (inanimate objects such as towels), or in infected skin cells that are sloughed off and lay about on the floor. Plantar warts, for instance, are thought to be contracted most often in this way, around swimming pools and in communal showers.



"Wear those flip-flops in showers and locker-rooms!"

The incubation period after inoculation with HPV is unknown, but is probably no less than several months. The latency period for genital warts may be particularly long. Auto-inoculation of HPV from one part of the body to another can also occur.

Most non-genital warts disappear on their own without treatment (up to 80 percent within two years). Warts can be bothersome, though, and two years can come to feel like a long time! They can bleed if bumped, and they can also

seem embarrassing. Treatment of warts likely decreases the chances that they'll spread to other areas of your body or to other people.

Common and plantar warts are often effectively treated with over-the-counter remedies. Perhaps the most effective therapy involves covering warts with tiny bandages made from duct tape. It turns out that some component of duct tape adhesive is viricidal. The efficacy of duct tape was clearly demonstrated in a study published a few years ago in the New England Journal of Medicine!

Flat warts, facial warts, and genital and oral warts are usually treated in a medical office, using a variety of "ablative" and "medical" therapies. Ablative treatments include surgical excision, destruction by electrocauterization, laser or liquid nitrogen, and chemical "peeling." Topical medical treatments include daily applications of cytotoxic, antiviral, or immunotherapy agents, in the hope of inducing a controlled, localized allergic or immunologic reaction to the infected cells.

Innumerable "alternative" remedies for warts have been tried over the ages, with varying degrees of success. With the important exception of anogenital warts (which can be mutagenic), there may not be a compelling reason to rush in for "high tech" medical treatment.

As always, though, all of us at the health center are happy to see you and discuss any questions or concerns you might have. We have a thermos tank filled with liquid nitrogen, and we're also happy to prescribe immunotherapy creams!

Be well! And wear your flip-flops in showers and locker-rooms!

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center

## Sherrie Bergman, librarian of the College, loves her job

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Alzheimer's Association. She started the first Bowdoin team for the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk, which is a national fundraising effort. She is also on the board of directors for Midcoast Senior Health Center, which oversees operations of the center. She is also on a state committee that is a "quality review committee that examines issues related to the quality of care delivered to elderly citizens."

She is married and has a son and a daughter. Her son is 22 and is currently a senior at Dartmouth. Her daughter is a 24-year-old graduate of Smith College. When not busy with her other interests, Bergman enjoys jogging with her

husband and reading. In addition, she does yoga and meditation. Her favorite book is "Ada," by Vladimir Nabokov.

As far as her work at Bowdoin goes, Bergman is most proud of the renovations of the library. According to Bergman, when she first came to Bowdoin, the basement was so dark and dingy that students referred to it as the dungeon. Many of the library's lights were on timers, books were stacked high and blocked windows on the main floor, and there was less study space. In addition, one-fourth of Hawthorne-Lonfellow was assigned as administrative space.

Since then, renovation efforts have resulted in many changes in

the library. Among these are better lighting, improved technology, more spaces for both group and individual study, compact shelving, new carpet and furnishings, and the clearing of spaces where the windows were previously blocked. She feels this has made the library both more useful and more inviting.

One of Bergman's primary goals is to integrate information literacy skills into the curriculum, with an emphasis on ability to evaluate sources. She also pointed out the need to expand music and art library spaces.

In regards to the changes that have been made since she came to Bowdoin, Bergman admits that it is enjoyable for her to see alumni respond to the changes. She says

the student response has also been very gratifying, as many years were spent planning the renovations.

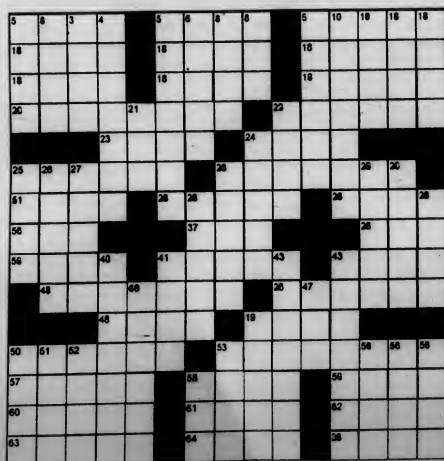
Bergman's library leadership and planning skills extend into several organizations to which she belongs. She was elected a delegate-at-large on the Users Council of the Online Computer Library Center. She is also a member of the American Library Association, of which she is a past president of the New England Chapter, and served on the Committee on the Status of Women in Librarianship in 1997.

With Bergman's enthusiastic approach to the improvement of the library and services in the library, students can expect continued positive change in Bowdoin library services.

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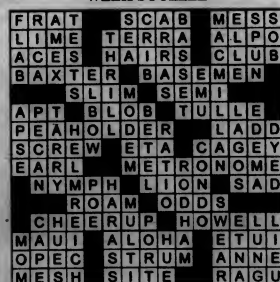
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### SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



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## MJ's soars above competition



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

MJ's Grille and Tavern's decoration scheme is relatively simple, allowing patrons to concentrate on the food. Its moderate/expensive prices are mostly consistent with the quality of the fare.

by Leslie Bridgers  
STAFF WRITER

Longer days and returning juniors are not the only reasons to be excited about coming back to Bowdoin this spring. Last semester we said goodbye to the widely ill-regarded MacMillan & Co. restaurant and its basement bar, Xplorers, where a collar-popping Polar Bear would feel about as comfortable as a professor at Pinestock.

After some thoughtful redecorating, 94 Maine Street has become home to MJ's Grille and Tavern, taking the same restaurant/late bar idea and giving it an attitude makeover. The restaurant is dimly lit and dominated by black and white. The minimalist motif is accented by hanging blue lights that add a modern touch.

This attempt at class continues into the meal, which begins with a warm baguette served standing in a spiral contraption and a side of butter

### MJ's Grille & Tavern

Location: 94 Maine St.

Pricing: Moderate/Expensive

Rating: ★★ (of 4)

with the kind of swirl mould that you feel guilty destroying with your knife.

The choice of appetizers includes the typical Maine seafood selections, as well as some ethnic options, such as sushi and chicken satay. My dinner date and I started our meals with salads. Both the Caesar and spinach varieties were full of flavor and generously dressed, leaving our mouths watering for our main courses.

Though, in my mind, the "roasted airline chicken" conjured up images of folding trays and sporks, my date opted for the poultry dish, pan roasted with peaches and onions and served with garlic whipped mashed potatoes and asparagus. Upon his first bite of breast, my date remarked on its cat-like flavor. Suspicious of

his experience with the feline as food, I asked him to explain.

"It tastes like Magic smells," he told me and offered a bite. Having met his pet several times, I could only agree.

I chose the beef tournedos with a

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tomato-spinach demi-glaze. I ordered it cooked medium, which

turned out to be the average of a charred outside and pink middle. Still, the flavor was good and at least stayed true to its animal of origin. The side of Israeli couscous, however, couldn't even be saved by half a shaker's worth of salt.

Though the main courses were anti-climactic, the overall experience of MJ's was positive. The semi-chic atmosphere somewhat smacks of effort, but the wait staff is friendly and attentive. It is undeniable that MJ's has taken a giant leap forward from MacMillan's, both in cuisine and atmosphere. It will be interesting to see if the bar downstairs, which has implemented a dress code (no hats), will follow suit.

by Frances Killea  
STAFF WRITER

Many claim that Marxism is as dead a concept as the man who invented it. In his play, "Marx In Soho," which will be performed at Kresge Auditorium in the Visual Arts Center (VAC) at 4:30 p.m. today, Howard Zinn resurrects both.

In the play, Karl Marx has one hour to clarify and justify his philosophy in terms of the contemporary world. This involves applying his theories about business and politics to 21st-century issues like education, corporate control, and class divisions.

Famous for authoring "A People's History of the United States," Zinn takes on the role of playwright with "Marx In Soho." He portrays Karl Marx as brilliant yet fallible, giving a human touch to an historical figure whose humanity is often lost in his life's work.

"I feel it's a great way for people to get a feel for Marx as a person, as well as the modern relevance of his thoughts," said Sam Minot '08 of the Bowdoin College Democratic Socialists. "This is so much more than

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Bowdoin College Democratic Socialists

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The Democratic Socialists, in collaboration with the Sociology and Anthropology departments, are responsible for bringing Zinn's play to Bowdoin. A. Myrick Freeman Professor of Social Sciences Susan

## A capella groups to spread holiday love

Longfellows, Miscellania pair up for a belated Valentine's concert

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

With the Longfellows and Miscellania performing the "Val Jam" tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel, the obvious question arises—why celebrate Valentine's Day after the fact?

Rumor has it that member Dennis Burke '09 was unable to find a date for Tuesday night's festivities, so the rest of the group decided to help a fellow out and move the concert to Friday. The group hopes that this move will increase Burke's chances, thanks to the concert falling on a weekend and relieving the inevitable pressure and possible let-down that comes with a Valentine's Day dinner. Burke also wants to alert the singles on campus that he enjoys long walks on the beach, good conversation, and cheesy bread from Domino's.

Other Longfellow members called to mind additional benefits that come with holding the concert after the traditional February 14 date with a significant other or a pint of Ben & Jerry's.

Sam Chapple-Sokol '07 said, "Just think of it as being 361 days early."

Or, maybe there are other people

who are like Willi Yusah '08 and ignored the Tuesday holiday altogether:

"I thought Valentine's Day was on Saturday," he said.

Keirnan Willett '07 had a more musical theory.

"Singing is a powerful aphrodisiac," he said. "We didn't want to sextile everyone on a Tuesday."

What matters is not that this concert comes after Valentine's Day; what matters is the quality of a cappella music that the Longfellows and Miscellania will bring to the Chapel tonight, aphrodisiac or no. Also, it marks the start of a brand-new Valentine's Day concert tradition at Bowdoin.

*"Musically, we have a 'love' theme to our songs, but we tried to stay away from really cheesy*

Ellie Benard '06  
Miscellania

As always, musicality is most important at the Val Jam, something that the Longfellows and Miscellania both bring to every concert. While Burke may complain about the lack of cheese, both groups maintain a high level of performance.

Benard continued, "We really try to demonstrate our musicality in all of our concerts, as do the Longfellows. Mostly, though, I think we just want people to come, see their friends perform, and really enjoy themselves."

Both groups are excited to start the new Valentine's tradition with, in the words of Tommy Long '06, "true love and pyrotechnics."

Miscellania and the Longfellows also boast a crop of talented first-years that includes Caroline Bader, Lynzie McGregor, Arden Klemmer, Tommy Wilcox, Burke, and Chase Cicchetti. Benard said that Miscellania plans on debuting two songs, which feature all three of Miscellania's first years in the group.

When asked what changes had occurred in the Longfellows group now that these first-years have joined, Wilcox responded in true musical fashion. He immediately jumped to the piano and began playing "The Way It Is" by Bruce Hornsby & the Range (for readers not familiar with the underrated '80s and '90s pianist, this song is the song sampled in Tupac's "Changes").

Wilcox's reaction underlines the main theme of this concert: when it comes down to it, this performance is about beginning a great a cappella tradition performed by some of Bowdoin's best, and having fun while doing it. And, of course, finding Burke a date 361 days early.



## Mueller '06 captures Irish culture on canvas



Courtesy of Hallie Mueller '06

Hallie Mueller's honors exhibition will open on Saturday in the VAC.

### Senior Portraits

Second in a series

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Throughout this semester, 16 seniors will present art exhibitions signifying the culmination of their artistic careers at Bowdoin. The Orient's Steve Kolowich sat down with Hallie Mueller '06, whose honors exhibition will be on view in the Visual Arts Center (VAC) from February 17 through March 6.

**Steve Kolowich:** Describe your senior art project. What inspired it, and how did you execute it?

**Hallie Mueller:** My senior project took root in Ireland where I began painting lifelike portraits of Irish locals. While I was there, I also taught environmental education to a class of 5th graders. My first attempts at painting their portraits proved to be missing something—energy, and excitement that comes across in everything that they do. So I started experimenting with video footage and painting from that video footage. I interviewed several students asking them difficult questions like, "What do you like best about yourself?" What do people like, best or least about you?" My paintings are visual representations of their body language in response to these questions. This early content has carried over into my most recent paintings that are, to some extent, less about the subtlety of gesture and how it reflects the context of a conversation and the relationship between me and my subject, and more about painting motion (and of course there's not really a universal preferred way to do that—there's really no such thing as realism in that sense).

**SK:** What were your goals for your project? Did you meet those goals? Did they change during the process?

**HM:** This is an ongoing process and

very important that the paintings are all part of a series. The most recent few may not be better than the last several, but each new undertaking pushes a new direction (scale, depth, color, overlap). My most recent painting (Ian Kyle '06 getting dressed) combines the detailed context that characterizes the first, and tightest painting in the series, with the complex movements and brush strokes that distinguish the one of Kelly Orr on a swing (the blue and green painting). Because this is a series, each painting has its own importance. It's easy to become too precious about paintings—especially large ones—for a number of reasons; they are expensive to make and time consuming. But this project doesn't allow me to rely on confident habits. That's why it's a project—an exploration and not a set of separate and complete objects.

**SK:** Why did you choose the medium you did? What aspects of your artistic medium do you enjoy that aren't achievable through other media?

**HM:** I paint because I love to paint and I have always painted. Painting on a large scale allows the process to take on a more physical dynamic. I literally have to stand on chairs to reach certain parts, or stand 20 feet across the room to get a sense of how the overall composition is working out. I suppose I could have chosen video alone to convey my ideas, but there's a huge degree of interpretation that goes on while translating the video from data to paint. It's like having a long midnight conversation with the video footage while I'm sipping wine and singing out loud to my music with my headphones on.

**SK:** What do you want people to take away from viewing your project?

**HM:** I want people to get a sense of this intense dialogue that's going on between me, a paintbrush, some video footage, and my favorite music. I hope people see, if nothing else, that I love to paint.

Mueller's honors exhibition open with a reception on Saturday from 7 to 9 p.m. in the VAC.

## Answers are blowin' in the wine

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNIST

With the weather being so screwy lately, I've had a difficult time limiting myself to one season's type of wine. The blizzard definitely made me break out the heavier, darker wine in my collection, but the mild sunny weather that followed on its heels made me think of spring and wines that echo the fresh greenness that will appear sometime in April, if we're lucky. Below, an eclectic mix that suits the current climate:

REBECCA 2003

SPÄTBURGUNDER ROTWEIN  
SPÄTLESE

This red wine is probably one of the most expansive wines I've ever had the pleasure of drinking. It's what I imagine a well-aged burgundy would taste like should I ever gather enough money together to acquire one. The year 2003 was a highly uncharacteristic one for the south German area from which this wine comes, as temperatures were

much higher than usual and there was a significant drop in precipitation as well. The wine emits a very strong scent of spiced red fruits; however, the taste is richer with a decidedly spicy wooded flavor. The wine needs to breathe for at least half an hour; it perfectly complemented the pork roast and sweet potato-carrot puree I made for my roommate's birthday. Unfortunately, this wine is not available locally, but any other Spätburgunder Rotwein should be almost as good.

ARIGOLAS COSTAMOLINA  
2004 VERMENTINO DI  
SARDEGNA

I have never been to Sardinia, but this pastigular bottle of white has definitely put it on the must-go list. I must admit that by reviewing this wine I'm breaking a rule of mine not to review wines I've tried at tastings, but it's too good not to share. The flavor of this wine is everything I like about spring: the crisp breezes, the green grass, the muddy pathways of the commons. Obviously, the wine

doesn't taste like mud, but it has a freshness I've never seen matched. It wasn't tangy in the mouth like a chardonnay and it was not at all sweet; it's a very subtle tasting wine on the whole and very pleasing at that. Of my two companions, one preferred another white at the tasting and the other expressed a preference for this. The uniqueness of the taste may not be for everyone, but I think it's a winner. \$13.98 at the Black Sheep.

FU-KI SAKE (\$11.99 at Provisions)

As many of you know already, sake is a wine with a base of rice instead of grapes and comes from Japan. Like wine, sake comes in dozens of varieties and at varying levels of purity about which I know very little. I picked this particular sake because I liked the shape of the bottle. The sake itself did not disappoint. It was sweet with a clean kick. I drank the sake slightly chilled, but the label suggests that it can also be served warm making it an option regardless of the weather.

## 'George' curiously uninspired



by Gabe  
Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

Watching the motion picture adaptation of Curious George stir that tiny, peach-fuzzed part of the soul that we all thought had been safely put to bed: the inner child. "Hark!" cries the hidden thumb-sucker, back to the days of parental tuck-ins and sweeping picture books. Kids could make magic with a single purple crayon back then, and eggs were best served green and on top of a goat. Nights were usually spent curled up under a swirl of Vicks VapoRub with friendly bear pals of both the Pooh and Berenstain varieties.

If the film version of "George" rustles up those childhood pangs, it can't hope to quell them. When the movie does manage to tap the toddler vein, it's thanks only to a lush and faithful visual translation. On screen, the little monkey is as cute as ever, his world perspiring in sharp primary colors. More importantly, as an animated affair, the (mostly) hand-drawn George stands at the threshold of a major power shift in the realm of studio animation, with computer-generated films ascending the thrown and traditionally animated fare banished to the gallows. In the context of this great divide, the nostalgic hunger that



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

While remaining true to the cartoon's original visual aesthetics, Jun Falkenstein's big screen adaptation of "Curious George" fails to capture the youthful magic of the classic children's book.

ed with clay or by hand, as the last great breaths from a dying genre. The consensus seems to be that the demise of hand-drawn pics, along with the demand for shiny, CG look-alikes turns a once veritable smorgasbord into a fast food drive-thru for the imagination.

In the middle of this messy transition prances Curious George, a colorful diversion that's hopelessly unaware of its messiah potential. While it carries the comforting pathos of paper and ink, the movie is less a document of resistance to the new CG regime than it is a passive letter of resignation. That's because "George" continues the insidious pattern of recent family films, enlisting the voice

was the prototypical infant, then the Man in the Yellow Hat was certainly the prototypical father. Unfortunately, Ferrell's Ted is the prototypical doofus, making for a kiddie picture that, like many of its recent brethren, feels juvenile when it should feel youthful.

Yet Curious George does more than just induce bouts of colic. As one of many in a long line of films that aspire to be merely adequate for all ages, it helpfully proves, like the masterful computer-animated Pixar films of the past decade, that quality is in the storytelling, not the format. Critics can fret over animation's new direction, but I suspect that they are pining less for traditional cartoon methods than they are for the kind of old-fashioned narrative that those films so ably embodied. It should not be forgotten that Pixar's huge success rests in its devotion to great family lore first, its technical prowess second, making the merge with Disney a good sign for the return of the sweeping animated epic.

At a time when too many features are busy pandering to too many people, the new Disney/Pixar team is one fit for real nostalgia; like a zookeeper and his animals, like a boy and his Pooh bear, it's a pairing that the eternal age-group of the inner child would love to see weather a very blustery day.

### Curious George

Director: Jun Falkenstein

Stars: Will Ferrell, Drew Barrymore, David Cross

Rating: ★ (of 4)

Much has been made recently of traditional animation's inevitable retreat. Disney may have penned its official obituary when the studio closed their hand-drawn department and shackled up with the computer whizzes at Pixar, giving cynical critics and critical cynics alike free reign to make sure we all remember the good old days of Walt. Faced with endless batches of CGI goop, many point to this year's Oscar-nominated toons, all three of which are animat-

of Will Ferrell in a transparent appeal to mature audiences that's been hip since the satirical spirit of "Shrek."

It's tough to recognize the original Man in the Yellow Hat in Ferrell's bumbling Ted, who no longer wears the banana suit in the name of paternal heroism but is instead duped into buying the threads by the suspect sales pitch. "Yellow. It's the new Khaki." It seems that the movie has no time for the simple relationship fable of its roots; if, in the picture books, George



# SPORTS

## Squash leaves for nationals

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's squash teams expected to be playing in their third round of NESCAC tournaments at Trinity this past Sunday. Instead, they found themselves snowed in at their Cromwell, Connecticut, hotel, wondering when they would be able to come home.

The first-ever NESCAC squash tournament got off to a good start on Friday and Saturday, running on schedule with few problems. The Bowdoin women began their weekend at 8 a.m. Saturday morning, soundly defeating Colby 8-1, marking their third-consecutive win against the Mules this season.

The Bowdoin men took to the courts later that morning, losing a tight match to rival Bates 5-4.

In the afternoon, the women stepped out on the court again, facing Trinity, the host and expected winner of the tournament. Although Bowdoin lost 9-0, several matches went to five games, and the Bears surprised Trinity with their skill and determination.

Lydia Pillsbury '07 won the second and third games of her match.

"The fact that I could shake off my nerves and actually give my girl a match was incredible. I was competing on a whole new level and it was by far my best match," she said.

Alex Franceschi '09 also enjoyed getting the opportunity to play at a more advanced level. "It's always a great experience to play a team like Trinity," she said.

The men faced Hamilton at 6:30 p.m. Saturday night, as the first snowflakes began to fall on Hartford. They scored a decisive 9-0 victory, which included several close matches.

Saturday's matches improved the teams' season records to 14-9 for the women and 10-8 for the men.

Following their win over Hamilton, the Bowdoin men were scheduled to play Tufts on Sunday morning, but Tufts decided to leave on Saturday night in anticipation of the snow storm, ending the men's competition for the weekend.

The women were scheduled to play Bates on Sunday morning, but by about 10 a.m., driving conditions had deteriorated, making it too dangerous to even travel from the hotel to Trinity. The teams agreed to cancel the match.

The snow continued through Sunday evening, delaying the two teams' return to campus until Monday. By the time the Bowdoin vans reached Brunswick, the players were only too happy to be home.

The squash teams will finish up their season with individual and team nationals. The men left for team nationals at Princeton Thursday. The women will head to Harvard next weekend for their team nationals.

## Basketball rebounds with three victories



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Andrew Sargeantson goes for a basket in Tuesday's home game against St. Joseph's College.

The men's basketball team closes out the regular season with three victories to improve to 16-8

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

The men's basketball team finished the regular season on a high note, winning the final three regular season games and grabbing the fifth seed in the upcoming NESCAC tournament. The Polar Bears, 16-8 (5-4 against NESCAC opponents), will travel to Bates on Saturday and wrestle with the Bobcats.

Head coach Tom Gilbride is delighted with his team's performance.

"I am very pleased with the play of our team this regular season and thrilled that we were able to finish the season by playing some of our best basketball," he said.

Last weekend, the squad edged conference foes Middlebury, 58-56, and Williams, 78-71. Against Middlebury, senior Kyle Petrie led the Bears in scoring, contributing 16 points, nine rebounds, and five assists to the Bears' close victory.

Although Bowdoin controlled the court for most of the game, the Panthers closed the gap in the second half, coming within two points of Bowdoin's tally with one minute remaining. Sophomore Andrew Hippert sealed the victory for the Bears, grabbing a rebound off a Middlebury shot in the last seconds of the game.

The next day, against Middlebury, the Bears prevented a second-half Panther recovery with Petrie once again getting the game high for Bowdoin. Hippert contributed 20 points for the Bears. Junior Kevin Bradley scored 15 points for the Bears.

On Tuesday, the team handily defeated St. Joseph's, 82-74, with five Bowdoin players reaching

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## Women's hoops to challenge Tufts

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Basketball team is soaring through the season on a 10-game winning streak. Last night the Bears overcame a second-half deficit to defeat Maine Maritime Academy 57-47 in a non-conference contest. Over the weekend, Bowdoin swept NESCAC rivals Middlebury and Williams College.

First-year Jill Anelauskas led the Polar Bears in scoring with a game-high 19 points. Senior Justine Pouravelis contributed

eight points to the Bears' tally.

Last Friday against Middlebury, the Polar Bears maintained a comfortable lead. Eileen Flaherty '07 led the Bears with 13 points. Sophomore Marisa Berne and Pouravelis gave the Bears 12 points apiece. Berne racked up two three-pointers in the first half, contributing to Bowdoin's half-time lead of 36-21.

In the second half, the Panthers picked up their game, scoring 27 points to Bowdoin's 23. However, Middlebury's comeback could not overcome Bowdoin's strong first half. The Polar Bears made 58 percent of their free throws.

The next day the Bears challenged Williams, in what proved to be a competitive but rewarding contest. Although the Bears started out slowly, they quickly found their rhythm. The Bears hit their stride when Berne nailed a fantastic three-pointer.

Pouravelis followed with two two steals in the last minute of the half, making a quick layup and giving Julia Loonin '07 the chance to rack up a three-pointer. Hitting all 12 out-of-12 free throws in the first half with perfect accuracy, Bowdoin led Williams 35-28 by intermission.

In the second half, Bowdoin scored 35 points to Williams' 32.

The Bears hit 30 out of 33 from the free-throw line for 90.9 percent accuracy. Flaherty led the pack with 20 points scored overall, followed by Berne with 11. First-year Alexis Kaubris contributed 10 points overall.

Bowdoin, seeded second in the NESCAC, will face seventh-seeded Tufts College in the first round of NESCAC Tournament play this Saturday at 2 p.m. in Morrell Gym. Tickets for this weekend's game are on sale in Smith Union and will also be sold at the door of Morrell Gym starting at 1 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets are free to students with a Bowdoin ID.

# Women's hockey sweeps Wesleyan

by Anna Messerly  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Ice Hockey Team continued its hot streak last weekend, winning a doubleheader against the struggling Wesleyan squad. Three days later, the Bears rallied from a two-goal deficit to tie Colby 2-2.

The Bears improved their record to 15-6-1 and are ranked fifth in the most recent Division III East Region poll.

Friday night, in their first game of the season against Wesleyan, the Bears outshot the Cardinals 54-5 and scored six goals, while allowing only one. Sophomore Katie Coyne led the siege with three goals. Beth Battin '09 scored twice. Senior Meaghan

Tanguay and juniors Katie Forney and Meghan Gillis each added two assists.

First-year goalie Emileigh Mercer started in goal for the Bears, while the Cardinals faced some goaltending difficulties. Wesleyan goalie Rachel Stemerman, who took the brunt of the Bears' shots, left the game midway through the third period with an injured knee.

"We did an excellent job coming out hard against Wesleyan and attacking their strength, which is their goalie," Mercer said.

The next afternoon, in a near repeat of the previous game, the Bowdoin squad outshot Wesleyan 51-7, shutting out the squad 6-0. Forced to use a backup goalie, Wesleyan allowed two goals in the

first 12 minutes of the game.

Sophomore defense Kristen Cameron skated off with two goals, while senior co-captain Kelsey Wilcox notched two points, including the first goal of the game. Again, Tanguay had two assists, while Coyne, Forney, and Kate Leonard '07 each added a goal and an assist.

While these two games may seem unimportant in the long run, it gave the Bears good practice.

"Because we had early leads, we were able to practice and execute some additional systems that we do not usually play," Mercer said.

On Tuesday night, the Bears faced off against Colby for the second time this season. In the matchup in December, the Bears pulled off a tight 3-2 win. In this second contest,

despite outshooting the Mules 54-26, the two squads skated to a 2-2 tie.

The Mules came out strong in the first two periods, scoring three minutes into the first period and only 30 seconds into the second period.

However, in an exhibition of their characteristic determination, the Bears scored twice with goals from Gillis and



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior Jayme Woogerd attempts to move the puck past a Wesleyan skater.

co-captain Becca Selden '06. Though the Bears outshot the Mules 4-0 in overtime, neither team scored.

The Colby game marked the third-straight contest in which the women's squad managed to fire more than 50 shots on opposing goal-tenders. It was also the last conference game of the season. The Bears

clinched the second seed in the NESCAC tournament.

This weekend, the fifth-ranked Bowdoin Women's Ice Hockey Team will skate in the last two regular-season contests of the year against fourth-ranked Elmira on Saturday and sixth-ranked Utica on Sunday.



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The hockey team has two regular-season contests remaining before starting championship play.

## Roger Burleigh sinks competition in the pool

by Emily Baird  
CONTRIBUTOR

Maine water certainly agrees with senior swimmer and co-captain Roger Burleigh. The Colorado native has had an incredible career and is poised to leave a mark in the Polar Bear record books.

During Burleigh's first year at Bowdoin, he overcame a deficit of half a pool length to clinch the 400-yard freestyle relay against archrival Colby in the last meet of the season. His comeback won Bowdoin not only the race, but the entire meet.

As a sophomore, he captured the NESCAC title in the 200-yard fly, and he also qualified for Nationals as the second seed. It was more than just a victory; his time of 1:51 broke both the Bowdoin and NESCAC record.

Years before these laurels, Burleigh began his swim training on the other side of the Atlantic. As a youngster living abroad with his family in Egypt, he began his career under the tutelage of a former Egyptian National Champion. He attributes his early success to the "phenomenal coaching" he received while overseas.

Once at Bowdoin, Burleigh continued his success under the direction of head coach Brad Burnham, whom Burleigh describes as "amazing." Burleigh also has a lot of responsibility and input in choosing his workouts based on how his body feels. He devotes most of his training to concentrating on the basics of his strokes—fine-tuning his skills so "that his technique has an artistic quality."

Burleigh's impact has gone



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Senior Roger Burleigh has left his mark on the record books. He captured the NESCAC title in the 200-yard butterfly during his sophomore season.

beyond the record books. Burnham describes Burleigh as "One of the best ever—a swimmer, who has totally responsibility. He knows how to get the most out of his time and himself." Out of the water, he "is a leader by example, by his voice, he knows what it takes to be a

team member."

Burleigh has shared his passion for swimming with others. He has coached a summer swim league and helps organize Bowdoin's Iron Bear Triathlon.

Burleigh is the ideal DIII student-athlete. According to Burnham, "He

has his priorities right. He knows how to balance his studies with his athletics."

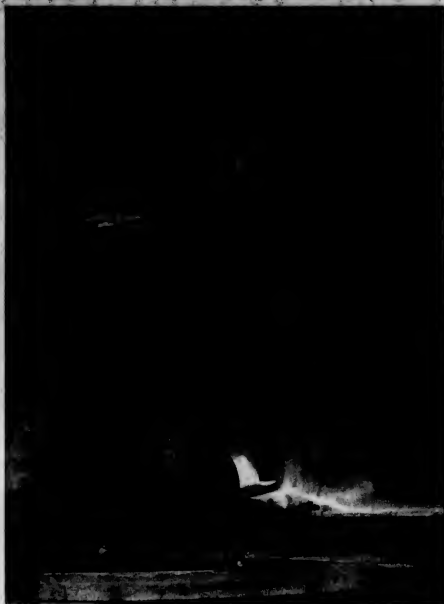
Burleigh is a double major in biology and environmental studies. Although Burleigh has not finalized his post-graduation plans, he knows that he will continue to swim and

maintain his ties to Bowdoin swimming. He has not ruled out training for the next Olympic Trials in two years.

For now, Burleigh is focused on the upcoming NESCAC meet, which will be held at Williams College on February 24.



# Duffus dominates



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Louise Duffus '07 captured first in both the shot put and the weight throw.

## MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Middlebury	14	2	1	18	2	2
Williams	12	3	2	13	6	2
Colby	10	7	0	14	8	0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	9	7	1	12	9	1
Amherst	8	6	3	13	6	3
Trinity	8	8	1	10	10	2
Hamilton	7	7	3	10	9	3
Tufts	6	10	1	9	11	2
Wesleyan	4	9	4	5	12	4
Conn. Coll.	2	14	1	3	18	1

### SCOREBOARD

F 2/10 at Trinity L 4-2  
Sa 2/11 at Wesleyan T 1-1

### SCHEDULE

F 2/17 v. Norwich 7:00 P.M.  
Sa 2/18 v. St. Michael's 4:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Middlebury	13	1	0	20	2	0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	12	3	1	15	8	1
Williams	9	4	1	11	10	1
Colby	7	8	1	12	7	1
Hamilton	8	8	0	10	11	1
Amherst	5	10	0	9	13	0
Conn. College	4	9	2	8	11	4
Trinity	3	9	2	7	10	2
Wesleyan	2	11	1	2	17	2

### SCOREBOARD

F 2/10 v. Wesleyan W 6-1  
Sa 2/11 v. Wesleyan W 6-0  
Tu 2/14 at Colby T 2-2

### SCHEDULE

Sa 2/18 v. Elmira 1:00 P.M.  
Su 2/19 v. Utica 1:00 P.M.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Amherst	8	1	22	2		
Trinity	7	2	17	5		
Tufts	6	3	19	5		
Bates	6	3	19	5		
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	5	4	16	8		
Williams	5	4	17	7		
Colby	4	5	11	13		
Conn. College	3	8	13	10		
Middlebury	1	8	12	12		
Wesleyan	0	9	8	17		

### SCOREBOARD

F 2/10 v. Middlebury W 58-56  
Sa 2/11 v. Williams W 78-71  
Tu 2/14 v. St. Joseph's Coll. W 82-74

### SCHEDULE

Sa 2/18 at Bates (NESCAC First-Round) 4:00 P.M.

## MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

SCOREBOARD		2nd of 3	
Sa 2/11	v. Coast Guard, Middlebury		

### SCHEDULE

F 2/17 at New England 11:00 A.M.  
Sa 2/18 Dills (MIT)

## WOMEN'S SQUASH

SCOREBOARD		W 9-0	
Sa 2/11	vs. Colby (at NESCAC's)	L 9-0	
Sa 2/11	vs. Trinity (at NESCAC)	L 7-2	
		W 7-2	

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SCOREBOARD		8:00 A.M.	
F 2/17	NESCAC		
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## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Bates	8	1	17	7		
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	8	1	21	2		
Wesleyan	7	2	17	8		
Williams	7	2	20	4		
Amherst	4	5	10	14		
Trinity	3	6	8	14		
Tufts	3	6	10	12		
Colby	2	7	10	14		
Middlebury	2	7	14	10		
Conn. College	1	8	9	15		

### SCOREBOARD

F 2/10 at Middlebury W 59-48  
Sa 2/11 at Williams W 70-68  
Th 2/16 at Maine Maritime W 57-47

### SCHEDULE

Sa 2/18 v. Tufts (NESCAC First-Round) 2:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

SCOREBOARD		1st of 3	
Sa 2/11	v. Coast Guard, Middlebury		

### SCHEDULE

Sa 2/18 at New England 11:00 A.M.  
Dills

## MEN'S SQUASH

SCOREBOARD		L 5-4	
F 2/10	vs. Bates (at NESCAC's)	W 70-68	
Sa 2/11	vs. Hamilton (at NESCAC)	W 9-0	

Sa 2/17 Team Nationals (at Princeton) 10:30 A.M.

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.

Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC.

# Women's track hurtles over competition

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The women's track team had a full weekend of competition. Last Friday, the 4x400-meter team of Alison Pilon '09, Gina Campella '07, Emily Hackert '06, and Emily Sheffield '06, traveled down to Boston University to represent Bowdoin in the Valentine's Day Classic. The team shaved eight seconds off its time, running a 4:02.76 for 19th place.

The next day the entire team faced Middlebury and the Coast Guard in the last home meet of the season, finishing the regular season with a win. Bowdoin scored 162 points to Middlebury's 100.5 and the Coast Guard Academy's 84.5. With several first places and faster times, the women proved that they are ready to head into the championship season.

Sheffield's success in the 4x400-meter relay carried over into Saturday's meet as she set a new school record in the 600 meters, running a personal best of 1:37.83 for first. Bowdoin's first years helped make the 600 meters the Bears' high-

est-scoring event of the meet with Ali Chase and Lynne Tempest running personal bests for second and third place, respectively.

Junior Louise Duffus once again dominated the throws. Duffus, joined by first-years Kelsey Borne, Chelsea Jackson, and Shemeica Binns, made the shot put the second-highest scoring event for Bowdoin. Duffus threw a personal best for first, Borne took second, and Jackson captured third with a personal best. In the weight throw, Binns' efforts resulted in a personal best and fifth-place finish, as Duffus took another first, making her the leading scorer of the meet for the Bears. Borne and Jackson took third and sixth, respectively.

The women's high jump saw similar action as the Polar Bears swept the top three finishes. Erin Prifogle '07 led the women with a first place. Jessie DePalo '08 took second, clearing her highest height this season. Pilon, in her second meet of the weekend, placed third in the high jump.

Pilon also had the chance to run the 400 meters again, and taking full advantage of the opportunity, won

the open 400 meters in 61.90 seconds.

Senior Ruth Jacobson's efforts pulled in more points for the Bears with two second-place finishes in the 55-meter dash and the 200-meter dash, running personal bests for the second weekend in a row.

Alyssa Chen '08 made her debut in the 200 meters, demonstrating her diversity as a runner and pole vaulter. She took sixth in the 200 meters and cleared 9'7" for fourth in the pole vault. In the 55-meter hurdles, the Bears posted more strong performances, taking three of the top five places. Prifogle finished for second place, Hackert captured third, and Alex Keeney '09 placed fifth.

Hackert continued her busy day with a second place in the long jump. Keeney also competed in the jumps, qualifying for the New England DIII Championships next weekend and earning second place. Molly Seaward '09 posted strong performances in both jumps, grabbing fourth in the long jump and third in the triple jump.

The mid-distance runners added more personal bests and brought in points for the Bears. Sophomore Amy Ahearn broke 2:20 in the 800 meters for a personal best that earned her second place, while fellow sophomores Laura Onderko and Courtney Eustace claimed the top two finishes in the mile.

In the 1000 meters, the Polar Bears took second, third, and fourth. Onderko and Lindsey Schickner '09 both ran personal bests for second



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Sophomores Laura Onderko and Courtney Eustace claimed the top two finishes in the one-mile run in Saturday's meet against Middlebury and the Coast Guard Academy.

and third. Caitlin Mevorach '09 finished fourth. Jamie Knight '07 took a break from the 5k to run the 3k, contributing another fourth-place finish. The relay teams gave the Bears a strong finish. In the 4x400-meter

relay, the Bears took first- and second-place finishes.

The championship season will begin this Saturday at Tufts with the New England Division III Championships.

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# Hockey loses to Trinity

Men's hockey to play at home this weekend

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

Although this week's mild weather has reduced the ice rink on the Quad to a muddy puddle, the Bowdoin Men's Ice Hockey Team remains hard at work inside Dayton Arena.

This weekend marked a low point in the men's hockey season, which has been marked by ups and downs.

The team dropped out of the Division III top 15 for the first time this season.

The Bears started the weekend with a 4-2 loss to Trinity. Captain Adam Dann '06 and Sebastian Belanger '07 scored Bowdoin's two goals.

The next day, against Wesleyan, the Bears earned a 1-1 draw. Senior Jon Landry posted the lone goal for the Bears. In overtime, neither team managed to score.

The Polar Bears remain optimistic and proud of their play. According to Belanger, a forward, "At this stage of the season we are all very excited to start the playoffs. We spent the last eight months training to be ready for this moment and I believe, as a team, we will respond to the challenge."

Before the team can begin thinking about NESCAC playoffs, the Bears must face two extremely difficult teams from the ECAC East this weekend. Bowdoin plays highly respected Norwich, currently ranked second in a Division III poll, tonight. The next day, the Bears will return to the ice to face St. Michaels.

"We still have two big regular season games this weekend that we cannot look past before we go into the playoffs so hopefully we will have a good crowd for what could be our seniors final two games," junior Greg McConnell explained.

The hockey team will attempt to use this weekend's games as a launch pad to prepare for the playoffs.

# Men's basketball faces Bates Saturday

BASKETBALL, from page 9

double digits.

Men's basketball has faced Bates twice this season. Although both contests have ended in defeat for the Polar Bears, the last game was close.

"We lost in a thriller by three points," Gilbride recalls.

Though the Polar Bears will have to cope with hostile, rambunctious fans, they have momentum working in their favor.

The Polar Bears have won their last three games, continuing to outplay and out hustle opposing teams.

Bates, on the other hand, has been on a three-game skid. The Bobcats have lost one-sided games to NESCAC opponents Tufts, Amherst, and Trinity. In those contests, they have managed to shoot a mediocre 42 percent from the floor

(including an abysmal 32.7 percent against Amherst).

Much of Bowdoin's success this season can be attributed to the captains' exceptional leadership and a team-oriented approach to the game.

Gilbride sings the praises of the captains. Their guidance and no-nonsense approach to the game has lead Bowdoin to four consecutive playoff appearances and 55 wins. Petrie also tied the school record for game appearances, playing in his 98th contest on Tuesday.

"Nick Ordway '06, Kyle Petrie, and Antwan Phillips '06 have been outstanding leaders and have been essential to the success of our team."

Ordway, Petrie, and Phillips were honored in a ceremony before the St. Joseph's game, the last home game for the seniors.



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Junior Kevin Bradley dribbles past a Middlebury defender last Friday.

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# Track falls to Coast Guard

by Patrick Pierce  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Track Team faced Middlebury and the Coast Guard Academy at home on Saturday, using the competition as preparation for the upcoming championship season.

The meet served as a last chance for the athletes to post qualifying marks for next weekend's Division III New England Track Championship, as well as an opportunity for those who had already qualified to compete in different events. Bowdoin and the Coast Guard Academy traded the lead throughout the meet, but the Coast Guard fought hard and captured a well-deserved win at the end of the day.

There were many notable performances throughout the meet. Senior captain Patrick Lyons won both the shot put and the weight throw, while senior teammate Alex Linhart claimed second place in the weight throw. Sophomore David Wagoner-Edwards clinched third place by clearing 12 inches in the pole vault, improving upon his previous personal best by a foot.

The Polars Bears once again dominated the 55-meter hurdles. Senior Joe Adu won the event. First-years Mike Krohn and Ike Irby, and sophomore Ben Coquillette captured second, third and fifth, respectively. First-year Damon Hall-Jones built upon his breakout performances last week with victories in the 55-meter dash and second in the 200-meter dash.

The distance squad had another strong day. Sophomore Owen McKenna



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Junior Joe Adu won the 55-meter hurdles in the last regular-season meet.

and first-year Jay McCormick captured first and second in the 800 meters, while sophomores Tim Katlic and Nate Krah claimed the top spots in the 1000 meters. Krah, a standout runner in the 5000 meters, had already won the one mile earlier in the day.

The Bowdoin men saved their best for last. In the final event of the day, the 4x400 relay team showed post-season potential by running a blazing 3:26.89, besting an earlier seed time

by nearly two seconds.

The men's track team fought mightily, but came up short against the Coast Guard Academy, which posted 159 points to Bowdoin's 141 and Middlebury's 56. The Polar Bears will be traveling to Boston today, to compete Saturday in the New England Championship at MIT.

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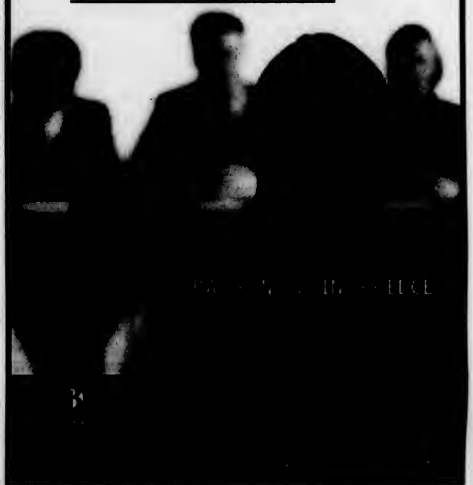
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### 1,666 students, 6 treadmills

Bowdoin's admissions web site describes its athletic facilities as "top-notch." We have a state-of-the-art squash facility, multiple gymnasiums, first-rate sailing and crew equipment, and a competition swimming pool, to name a few. So, why is it that Bowdoin's most basic athletic facility—the Watson Fitness Center in Smith Union—is, as a vast majority of students would put it, so sub-par?

As highlighted in the recent article "Waiting to workout: fitness facilities at Bowdoin," many athletes are unable to complete workouts required by their coaches because of frustrating traffic at the fitness center. All but two NESAC schools have larger fitness centers on campus, and those two have finalized plans to renovate. One tour guide even told the Orient that he is embarrassed to take his groups past the fitness center when walking through the union.

Surely, six treadmills cannot sustain the fitness needs of 1,666 students and all the faculty, staff, and alumni who use the facilities. This is clearly evidenced by observing the all-too-frequent lists of students on dry-erase boards who are waiting to use machines at the fitness center. Outdoor exercise is not always an option during the rugged Maine winters, and one would hope that the \$41,660 comprehensive fee would offer a student the opportunity to get quick access to a mere treadmill in between government class and lunch.

Fitness is a central component in keeping a healthy lifestyle. College Physician and Director of Health Services Doctor Jeff Benson said in an article last week, "Thirty minutes or so per day, a few days a week, is what we all need." So many students use exercise as a fuel for getting through long days of classes, homework, and meetings. But if a student only has 30 minutes of free time during the day, what is the sense in simply using it to wait for a fitness machine at Watson?

With Bowdoin's growing endowment, we expect that a plan is in the works to create a brand new fitness center in a few years—a center that the College could honestly call "top-notch."

Until then, there needs to be a temporary solution.

Bowdoin Student Government has worked to expand gym hours, but significantly increasing access and the number of workout machines is a matter the College must address. It could perhaps add more elliptical machines and treadmills to the old squash area of the gym. Also, the fitness center should be cleaned during off-hours instead of interrupting free time students may have between 9:30 and 11 a.m. when the center closes for daily cleaning.

Whatever the change, it needs to come now. The Watson Fitness Center might have fulfilled the needs of students 10 years ago when it was created, but its time has expired. Students should not have to wait years for the College to hit the drawing boards and fashion up a new plan. Something so important to student life as physical fitness cannot afford to be put on hold.

The editorial represents the majority view of *The Bowdoin Orient's* editorial board. The editorial board is comprised of James D. Baumberger, Drew Fulton, Bobby Guerette, Evan S. Kohn, and Beth Kowitz.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

#### Trustees worry about tone of political debate

To the Editors:

At the trustees meeting last weekend, there was considerable discussion about the tenor and tone of political debate on the Bowdoin campus. The most recent issues of Hype and the Orient described, albeit in different editorial voices, aspects of this debate. Some people at the meeting expressed concern about the strident tone which certain members of the Bowdoin community have adopted; in particular, equating Republicans with racists is inaccurate and inappropriate. No one advocates or expects that the College should exercise control over free speech on campus, though we might hope that students (and others) would refrain from the political equivalent of shouting fire in a crowded theater. A healthy debate is good for the College community; a hysterical debate serves no one, nor does it serve the common good.

However, in gauging when the political debate has transcended the level of reasonableness and civility, we should have a wide tolerance. My undergraduate days were in the less than halcyon sixties and culminated in a college-wide student strike after Kent State. That also was a time when the political debate took on an hysterical tone, as when anti-war protesters called American soldiers "baby-killers." I imagine that then, as now, there were more reasoned members of the Bowdoin community who were aghast at our behavior. But we matured and, for the most part, moderated our speech to a more tolerant level.

Sincerely,

Jeff D. Emerson '70  
Member of the Board of Trustees  
Chevy Chase, Maryland

#### BSG has been productive, responsible

To the Editors:

Over the past few months, BSG has spent a significant amount of time on the debate surrounding the Academic Bill of Rights.

There have been implications that BSG members have not been fully professional in the use of their time or the consideration of their votes.

I believe these assertions are wrong, and I would point to the BSG meeting on Wednesday, February 8, as one example of our positive activity. Debate was lively, well considered, and respectful. We carefully evaluated and confirmed our earlier decisions, clarifying some points in the face of public confusion.

BSG has not wasted its time or voted irresponsibly over the past months. Outside elements have misrepresented BSG's actions, but we have worked to fix that. In spite of the confusion that has existed in the presentation of our work, BSG has consistently acted professionally and responsibly.

Sincerely,

Dustin Brooks '08  
Vice President for Student  
Government Affairs  
Bowdoin Student Government

#### Responsible investments can pay off

To the Editors:

I am intrigued by the recent debate on campus regarding "socially responsible investing" and divestment from all companies involved in Sudan. For those focused on the "moral high ground" of the debate, the "financial high ground" may be far more compelling in persuading the necessary decision makers.

Indicators of social responsibility are in fact linked to shareholder value and return. In essence, how companies preemptively and strategically deal with issues that appear to be of relevance to the student body, such as activity in Darfur, can tell us a lot about a firm's management quality—a key determinant of financial out-performance.

Innovest research shows that companies that apply rigorous environmental and social standards to their operations, in other words, companies that act "responsibly," achieve superior financial performance. As Jeff Immelt, CEO of

General Electric aptly summarized, "Green is Green." What's more, as issues such as climate change and access to affordable medicines in emerging markets hit corporate bottom lines with ever-increasing impact, we expect this out-performance gap to grow even larger.

Fund managers of the Bowdoin endowment are far more likely to find the financial incentive of responsible investing more compelling than the ethical reasoning. Luckily, the tools and research needed in order to make this connection are readily available.

Sincerely,

Debbie Wissel '03  
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#### Students need to have a say in investments

To the Editors:

I was heartened to hear in "Concealed investments worry some" that President Mills encourages discussion about the ethical nature of how we invest Bowdoin's \$500 million endowment. However, I believe that we can do more than pick fund managers who appear to be ethical.

As students, the actions of our college reflect upon all of us, and we need to have a way of overseeing the endowment that helps pay for our education, and to which we will soon be contributing. While it's true that "what's socially responsible for some is not socially responsible for others," as long as students' opinions have no impact on the realities of the situation, it will remain a moot point. I would like to add my voice to Professors Stakeman and Holt and call for the formation of a special advisory committee to look into the ethical nature of Bowdoin's investments. Only once we have a body representing the students that has access to investment information will this issue become relevant to the student population.

Let's prove our commitment to the common good by taking responsibility for the effects our investments have on the world.

Sincerely,

Sam Minot '08

#### Racism is 'silent but still strong'

by Frank Chi  
CONTRIBUTOR

This year's Black History Month is anchored by the death of Coretta Scott King, whose presence was bedrock to a bygone era when racism no longer became fate, but was determined by those whose audacity defined the struggles of a people. Mrs. King's passing comes at a time of deep scrutiny, a time when we must ask ourselves whether our generation has derailed from the path she chose—a path that so many of us celebrate this time each year.

Today, the white and colored drinking fountains have gone, the protests have calmed, and the fists have lowered. But herein lays the quandary of our generation. We do not bear witness to the enforced racism of years past. Instead, we are

a generation blessed in our comfort. Our culture emphasizes the image of equality when it lacks in substance, and there now remains a broken bond between those who suffer racism and those who assume its extinction.

Indeed, we have made great strides, strides that uproot history and set precedent beyond our borders. But equality by law should not be the last step, but the first step. Today, there are no more justified acts of racism to suffice our conscience of its existence. Thus, we must change as racism changes. As racial hostility turns to neglect, we must recognize that racism permeates our culture in elusive ways that are blind to those who wish to be blinded, but stifling still to those who cannot escape it.

Yet, we remain today troubled in accepting silent racism. Two decades ago, crack-cocaine ravaged urban

communities—creating broken black families with children who were born to hollowed streets of neglect, poverty and misunderstanding. Tragically, America chose to forget them. Instead, those anxious to declare racism conquered, condemned the victims of neglect for sloth and incompetence. Rather than acknowledging inequalities, they were derided as "welfare queens." Rather than upholding a continued promise, we demanded status quo. In America since the King years, those trapped in the intertwining of race and poverty retreated to the ghettos of America. There, they internalized the racism too real for themselves but in an America too eager to forget its power.

Last September, when levees

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# Communication breakdown

## These Revelations Will Not Be Televised



by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

A few weeks ago, I was chatting with someone about my aspirations vis-à-vis my college education and professional future. He asked me what my major was, and as I tried to respond he cut me off. "Doesn't matter," he said, "as long as you learn how to COMMUNICATE."

At first I was annoyed, because when he asked about my major he had clearly planned to interrupt me. But he was older, employed, and ostensibly wiser than I (and balding, which I understand also implies wisdom), so I didn't disregard his insight right away. And the more I reflected on my own communication skills and those of my fellow colleagues, the more worried I became.

My generation has grown up in the Information Age, a revolutionary era in human communications. It began with invention of the World Wide Web, a public domain that allowed programmers to design interactive sites accessible to everyone else with a computer and a telephone. It wasn't a big deal at first, because the only people who owned computers were the U.S. military, NASA, and Steve Jobs. These days, the Nielsen Company estimates that a half billion people have home internet access.

Soon, everything went electronic: "mail" became "email," "business" became "e-business," "geeks" became "rich people." Everyone and everything was hooked up, and those who resisted the movement were dragged to the town square and beaten with motherboards.

Thusly, a sort of "e-Darwinism" took hold. Kids who grew up in the '90s were forced to adapt to these new mediums of communication or die. Mavis

Beacon replaced kickball as the primary recess-time preoccupation, and the straggling two-finger typists fell victim to derivative name-calling and school-wide emails portraying their underwear being run up virtual flagpoles, designed with animation software by ruthless "e-bullies."

So in theory, Generation "E" represents the most communication-savvy edition of mankind. So why am I concerned about our ability to communicate?

Here's why: Quantity is forcing quality to the backseat. That is to say, the fact that we communicate so frequently is causing our communication skills to deteriorate. I call it "e-irony."

Consider AOL Instant Messenger, otherwise known as "A-I-M" (or "aim") to those who don't have time for polysyllabic abbreviations. AIM has made communication between friends, family members, and colleagues easier than ever. Inevitably, it has made such communication less coherent than ever.

It began harmlessly enough with the routine omission of superfluous conjunctions and an occasional disregard for grammar rules. Then AIM users started taking huge chunks out of words, sometimes abbreviating them by way of frenetic spelling. Finally, with the clever invention of the "emotion," words were eliminated from e-communication entirely.

To illustrate this regress, we will track a conversation from its original phrasing to its modern form. See if you can catch the difference at each stage.

Stage 1: original phrasing:

John: Hey, Mike. Are you going home after school?

Mike: I don't think so. I definitely want to get to the game on time, so I'll probably go straight from class.

John: I hate that we get out so late.

Mike: Me too. I'll talk to you later.

Stage 2: adaptation into AIM language:

Jezy45677: hey mike u goin home after skool?

EggMcMike: i dont think so i def wanna get 2 the game on time so ill

prob go str8 from class.

Jezy45677: I h8 that we get out so 18.

EggMcMike: me 2. tyl.

Stage 3: adaptation into AIM language (with emoticons):

Jezy45677: :D?

EggMcMike: :[

Jezy45677: :X

EggMcMike: :P

Even more disturbing has been some people's tendency to assimilate popular abbreviations into their regular speech modes. Occasionally, frequent AIM users will end a face-to-face interaction by actually saying "T-T-Y-L." These people can be disciplined with a corrective cuff to the back of the head. Any firm object or appendage will suffice.

Still, some might laud this linguistic streamlining as efficient—a simple case of us adapting our language to the evolution of technology. But believe it or not, there are still people and institutions out there that expect folks to be able to communicate thoughts that can't be expressed by variations on the smiley face.

Like, for example, your professors. While spending six hours a day online may do wonders for your WPM, it can create some embarrassingly bad habits. In high school, I had a friend who got an English paper back and noticed that he had written "u" instead of "you" in several places. His teacher had simply circled them in red pen. I guess even English teachers have trouble communicating certain thoughts.

Hobbes once said to Calvin, "Maybe someday we'll make language a complete impediment to understanding." "Someday" is probably a ways off, but that is no excuse for complacency. It seems naive to think that the simple homogeneity of e-language has no negative affect on our ability to write creatively and convey complex ideas.

So, in this age of instant messaging, instant access, and (delicious) instant oatmeal, exercise patience in cultivating your communication talents. You just may wind up a little richer, a little wiser, and perhaps a little balder for it.

# Think twice before divesting

by Nate Chaffetz  
CONTRIBUTOR

I read the article in last week's issue of The Bowdoin Orient titled, "Concealed investments worry some." As President Mills encouraged us to do, I decided to contribute to the dialogue on this subject. I do not understand the situations in Sudan and South Africa enough to comment about investments in those countries as discussed in the article.

However, Associate Professor Randy Stakeman's comments, "We started out looking at South Africa and realized that it was just the tip of the iceberg," and, "that divestment isn't the last step, it's the first step," potentially scare me. It's unclear from the article exactly what kind of situations Professor Stakeman's comments were referring to outside of South Africa's apartheid. If they were directed specifically toward genocide and apartheid, that's one thing, but there are other seemingly morally ambiguous actions of companies that need to be examined in a more fair light.

Outsourcing and sweatshops are two hot-topic issues here on campus. If the term "sweatshop" means a foreign factory where laborers work longer hours at lower wages than prevail in developed countries, then both outsourcing and "sweatshops" are fairly common responses to competitive

pressure on companies to reduce costs. It is fair to say that the general knee-jerk reaction on campus toward outsourcing and sweatshops is very negative. This is understandable, as people in our country do suffer when they lose their jobs because of outsourcing, and it is hard not to sympathize with those who must endure incredibly difficult working conditions found in some foreign factories.

What is deeply troubling is that our response as a community might be to ban or divest from stocks based on whether or not a company is "socially responsible." And although the practices of outsourcing and sweatshops are looked down upon on this campus, the wrong way to alleviate the pain would be to ban investment in certain companies who outsource or use sweatshops.

What we don't often hear about outsourcing or sweatshops is their positive effect on people. Does the sweatshop victimize its employees when the real wage of a sweatshop worker is on average three times as high as any other job that worker could get in that market outside of the sweatshop job? Similarly, outsourcing can protect jobs here in America, as it allows companies to cut costs and stay in business. It has also allowed many previously impoverished communities worldwide to grow economically. I don't question the hardships faced by the people who

were left without their jobs in Michael Moore's film "Roger and Me." However, the reality of the situation was that GM was already a very weak company. In fact, it is a fair assumption that GM's failure to cut more costs earlier on led it to the brink of bankruptcy today. If GM goes under, there will be even fewer jobs here in America.

Keeping this more reasonable perspective on outsourcing and sweatshops in mind, there are serious implications to not investing in the companies that use those tactics. If this boycott strategy was implemented based on "socially responsible" investing in terms of sweatshops and outsourcing, the third world would lose a stable inflow of money. Equally, the developed world loses an efficient means to produce goods, and ultimately suffers serious economic consequences. And, specifically to the Bowdoin Community, we would suffer from the slowed worldwide economy. We would also impair our ability to competitively invest our money, which is so crucial to maintaining the institution Bowdoin is today.

There are ways to ease the suffering that outsourcing and sweatshops cause. However, if we divest from companies who outsource or use sweatshops, we only hurt the same people we are trying to help, and we also shoot ourselves in the foot while doing so.

# Racism has dwindled but not died

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broke and flood waters invaded our racial comfort, America suddenly gasped at what was left behind. Behind the walls we've constructed to will ourselves beyond race when we were not ready, behind the walls of neglect that smothered the spirit of communities, there lies a forgotten America. An America of unequal schools, limited opportunities and misplaced priorities—consequences of a silent, neglectful racism that, regardless of intention, delivered a familiar reality: today's face of American poverty is still tragically black.

Of course, the total shortcomings of today's racial dynamic are too complex to convey in a lone op-ed. But as we take February to celebrate

past struggles, we must acknowledge that the challenges ahead remain the most difficult. We must confront our complacency in an era no longer segregated by law, but by economics. We must recognize that racism is alive but elusive—intangible but still relevant, silent but still strong. We cannot allow the media's desire for the impression of tolerance to betray the problems that still linger, and we cannot allow the once celebrated remedies for racial injustice to become the bastard children of a reluctant, neglectful government. In today's racial environment, we cannot afford to stay comatose to the silent curses of racism simply because we need not remind ourselves anymore when seated on a bus or drinking at a fountain.

# Defined by Facebook

## Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

Alright, fine. I'll admit it. Facebook defines my life. It tells me who I'm friends with, what my friends think about me, who I'm dating and who I have a crush on, what I like and dislike, and even what I look like when I'm not actively trying to look unattractive, as I am in every single picture I post of myself. And I would venture to guess that I am not the only one who feels this way, especially when it comes to relationships.

For instance, just the other night I asked a friend of mine if he and his girlfriend were still broken up. He gravely nodded his head and responded, "Yeah. Actually, I just made it Facebook-official." I gave him the tilted-head "oh, you poor thing" look. He gave me the "thanks, I appreciate the sympathy" shrug, and then we both hung our heads, embarrassed by the fact that we had just discussed a pull-down menu on a web site with a seriousness that only the most serious things in life warrant, such as future professional aspirations, or in what settings it is appropriate to wear a Class of '06 t-shirt.

And yet, during times of heartbreak, that relationship status question holds more weight than Biggie Smalls himself. At the end of my last relationship, I agonized over when to change my status from "In a Relationship" to...to what? It's Complicated? Single? No, I couldn't bear to let the whole world know I was a failure in love. I instead opted for the immediate switch to "no response." That way, I ripped the proverbial Band-Aid off quickly, with minimal pain on my end, without informing the entirety of the Bowdoin community that come second semester, I would take my place in the giant grind-fest that is the singles scene here on campus.

Of course, there are also those couples who draw out the whole break-up process. Sure, the relationship was over a month ago, and yes, you've hooked up with your computer science partner. But you just can't bring yourself to own up to the fact that as far as Facebook is concerned, you're still "In a Relationship" with Bobby Abroad

Program. And then, one dark, stormy day, as you waste yet another 45 minutes coming up with a good Orange County quote to post on your roommate's wall, you see that Bobby has updated his profile. The picture is the same, his favorite movie is still *Glitter*, but his relationship status is unquestionably "Single." Your world stops turning, your heart pounds, and it takes all the strength you can muster to click on that "Edit Profile" button and show HIM a thing or two about who's single.

It's not just pesky pull-down menus that keeps us awake at night. What if, like me, you're prone to late Saturday night friending spree? I cannot remember the last time I had a conversation longer than 10 minutes at a party and did not immediately run home and friend that person. The sheer embarrassment that racks my mind come Sunday morning is enough to make me swear off Facebook forever—or at least until my roommate makes me log on so she can show me the "adorable" squash player she made out with the night before, who I of course just friend-ed about eight hours earlier.

And then there are the new methods of communication that Facebook provides us. I, for one, am not a huge fan of Facebook messages, due to the fact that if Mikey Math Partner isn't quite as obsessed with the Facebook as you are, it could be agonizing days or even weeks before you get a response. As for the "poke," I think it's been done. Yes, it's funny, especially when you use the "Pulse" feature to see how many Bowdoin students have "poked each other" in the last 24 hours—the joke writes itself, really. But beyond that, all you can do is poke back, and then the joke is pretty much dead in the water.

I say, save your poking for more appropriate, bed-spread covered environments, and focus your energies on the wonderful world of wall posts. Flirt shamelessly, abuse movie quotes, make fun of someone's picture, but for the love of God, avoid posting anything that resembles a naked lady made out of "8" and "@" symbols. Please. It's not cool or creative or funny or interesting. It's just deeply saddening that somebody took the time to put such a thing together; however, I do find it mildly relieving that there is someone out there who is even more obsessed with Facebook than I am.

# The Weekly Calendar

## February 17-February 23

### Friday

**Shabbat Candle Lighting**  
Johnson House, 5:30 p.m.

**"Marx in Soho"**

Actor Robert Weick, from the Ice Age Theater, plays Karl Marx in a drama about what Marx would say about the current state of the world.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 6-8 p.m.

**Film: "Unforgiven"**

In a small town where everyone is just trying to live normal, quiet lives, everything is suddenly disrupted when a pair of cowboys violently kill a prostitute. Two retired sharpshooters gang up to claim the \$1,000 bounty placed on the cowboys.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Valentine's Jam**

Come to an a capella concert featuring Miscellania and the Longfellows.  
Bowdoin Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

### Saturday

**Girls and Women in Sports Day**

Young female athletes from surrounding towns are invited to participate in a clinic led by female Bowdoin athletes, kicking off with a group breakfast and ending with a variety of Bowdoin sporting events to watch.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Film: "Unforgiven"**

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.



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The moon illuminates trees on the Quad.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

A chickadee, Maine's state bird, perches on a branch on a bank of the Androscoggin River.

### Sunday

**Iraqi Perspectives**

Independent journalist Brian Conley will present "In Their Own Words: Iraqi Perspectives on the Occupation," which includes video interviews with Iraqis in order to give them a voice in the conflict.  
Morrell Meeting Room, Curtis Memorial Library, Brunswick, 1-3 p.m.

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

**IBM Information Session**

IBM is interested in hiring 10 Bowdoin students. Attend this information session before signing up for interviews.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 7-9 p.m.

### Monday

**McCarthyism Goes to College**

Professor Russell Jacoby, from political magazine "The Nation," will give a talk entitled, "McCarthyism Goes to College: Exposing the Republican 'Academic Bill of Rights.'"   
Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday

**Sex Ed Program**

Join an interactive program led by sex educators Marshall Miller and Dorian Solot, who will explore the most common lies about sex, reveal little known truths, and give tips that will lead to more healthy, fun relationships.  
Room 151, Cleaveland Hall, 7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday

**Faculty Seminar Series**

Shuqin Cui, professor of Asian studies, will give a lecture entitled, "Caught Between the Local and the Global: Anxiety and Uncertainty in Jia Zhangke's Films."  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 12-1 p.m.

**Black Film Festival**

View the film "Crooklyn" for a look at how director Spike Lee saw Brooklyn during his childhood. The storyline is told from the perspective of a young girl who has to be strong and smart to survive many changes.  
Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center, 8-9:30 p.m.

### Thursday

**"Check-Off"**

Attend a performance of collaborative interpretations of several short works by Anton Chekhov.  
Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 7-9 p.m.

**Ameriprise Information Session**

Sign up on eBEAR to attend a talk by Jonathan Constant that will cover jobs and summer internships for seniors.  
Morrell Lounge Moulton Union, 6:30-8 p.m.





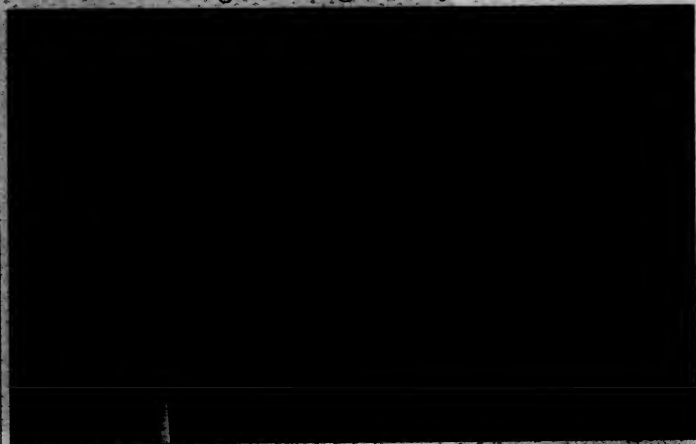
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## Ensler's 'Monologues' brings V-Day cause to Bowdoin



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Sophia Seifert '09 and the cast of "The Vagina Monologues" work to raise awareness about sexual violence against women worldwide at Bowdoin's annual production of Eva Ensler's play. See article, page 7.

## College admits new dean of admissions

by Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

William M. Shain's application to become the new dean of admissions and financial aid has been placed in the "yes" pile, the College announced this week. He will begin July 1.

"I don't come in with an agenda that I will impose," Shain said in a phone interview from his office in Tennessee when asked if he plans any significant changes in Bowdoin's admissions philosophy.

Shain said his "commitment to diversity is profound" and that he would not come to a college that did not share that commitment.

The decision comes after a long search process by a committee of members from the College community. Shain, now the dean of undergraduate admissions at Vanderbilt University, will replace the current dean of admissions at Bowdoin, Dick Steele.

"My wife and I are very pleased," said Shain. He said he is "very much looking forward to coming to Bowdoin" and working with the admissions staff.

President Barry Mills announced the selection of Shain to the campus Wednesday in an email to all students and faculty, noting that "Bill's admissions career spans four decades." Shain, a graduate of Princeton University and Columbia Law, has served as a regional director in Princeton's admissions office, as dean of admissions at Macalaster College for 17 years, and as dean at Vanderbilt since 1998.

In the email, Mills said, "[Shain] is committed to liberal arts education, to providing opportunity through financial aid, and has a proven track record of building and sustaining regional, racial, socioeconomic, and other

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## Bush budget proposal would cut student aid

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

President George W. Bush's budget request for the 2007 fiscal year includes a plan to eliminate the Perkins Loan Program.

The Perkins Loan Program provides needy students with loans at a fixed interest rate of 5 percent that only takes effect after the student graduates. Without the loans, students would likely turn to more expensive Stafford Loans, credit cards, and banks.

Bush made a similar attempt last year, but Congress rejected it.

"If Perkins was saved in the last budget, it will be saved again," Director of Student Aid Stephen Joyce predicted.

In addition, Bush's budget would keep the maximum Pell Grant at \$4,050, even though the program's budget has a current surplus of \$273 million.

"He's eliminating a subsidized loan source that is very useful, especially for Bowdoin students," Joyce said.

Students who are currently using Perkins would not be required to pay back their loans faster than normal, but would not be able to take out any future loans.

Bush's budget would also elimi-

nate Upward Bound and Talent Search, two central components of the TRIO program. Bowdoin utilizes Upward Bound to attract low-income students from 18 Maine high schools.

"Under the plan, over 450,000 low-income and first generation high school students across the country will lose critical support for college. Without Upward Bound and Talent Search, 91 percent of those students are not likely to go on and earn degrees," noted Bridget Mullen, Bowdoin's director of Upward Bound. "With TRIO, they're four times more likely to attain a bachelor's degree by age 25."

"Dismantling TRIO programs, particularly in this economy where a post-secondary education is so critical to moving out of poverty, is simply short-sighted," she said. "The good news is that TRIO programs have enjoyed bipartisan support in Congress. I'm hopeful that Congress will once again respond to the calls from their many constituents who understand the importance of TRIO."

The 2007 federal fiscal year begins October 1, so a budget must be approved before then. If not, a temporary budget would be extrapolated from the 2006 budget until a settlement is reached.

## Salman Rushdie to speak today

College heightens security for the event

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

Today's Common Hour speaker, renowned and controversial author of "Midnight's Children" and "The Satanic Verses," Salman Rushdie, has had a death threat out on him since February 14, 1989. The threat was renewed on its anniversary in 2005. The fatwa, or sentence of death, was issued by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, then leader of Iran.

The fatwa reads, "I would like to inform all intrepid Muslims in the world that the author of the book entitled 'The Satanic Verses,' which has been compiled, printed, and published in opposition to Islam, the Prophet, and the Qur'an, as well as those publishers who were aware of its contents, have been sentenced to death. I call on all zealous Muslims to execute them quickly, wherever they find them, so that no one will dare insult the Islamic sanctities. Whoever is killed on this path will be regarded as a martyr, God willing."

With a fatwa on Rushdie's head,

the Department of Security has also taken a unique focus on this Common Hour.

"We will be prepared if something unusual happens," Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols said.

"We've been in touch with Salman Rushdie's staff."

Rushdie will also "have some accompaniment here," according to Nichols. Despite these extra security concerns, both Bowdoin Security and the events department have been

trying to keep a normal environment surrounding the event.

"It will be as much a normal Common Hour event as possible," Nichols said.

"Security will not be evident to the casual attendee. We will have some uniformed presence and some un-uniformed presence," he said.

Many students have expressed frustration at their inability to find

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Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Hopefuls wait in line at Smith Union on February 10 for a ticket to Salman Rushdie's Common Hour lecture. Tickets were gone within two hours.

## Abroad apps sway toward spring

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

The Class of 2008 has just submitted its study abroad applications, and with 50 more students requesting permission to study away in the upcoming spring than in the fall, the Off-Campus Study (OCS) Office is scrambling to persuade applicants to change their minds and even out the numbers.

"We ask students in the application why they want to study in the spring or the fall," Director of Off-Campus Study Stephen Hall said. "The students have nearly all addressed that

question, so we're looking for students who don't seem to have a strong need for the spring over the fall."

"We've asked for volunteers [to switch to the fall semester], but we've only received one student," Hall said.

This trend toward more students wanting to study away in the spring than the fall has been common at Bowdoin for years and only with the Class of 2007 did the College send more students away in the fall than the spring. This year, 41 more students went abroad in the fall, creating sizeable housing strains on the Department of Residential Life.

Residential Life does not yet know how next year's housing situation will be affected by the Class of 2008's study abroad plans.

"As the application process is just wrapping up for study away, it's too soon for me to tell yet how this will impact residential life for next year," Director of Residential Life Kimberly Pacelli said.

"It actually imposes quite a strain on the College to have a disproportionate number of students on campus in the spring and fall," Hall said in a previous interview with the Orient in September.

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Women's basketball defeated Tufts 52-41 at the first round of NESCACs. The team looks to dominate Wesleyan at tomorrow's semi-finals.  
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## Dean of admissions appointee Shain says his commitment to diversity is 'profound'

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forms of diversity in a student body. I couldn't be more pleased with his appointment to this vital position at Bowdoin."

"During his tenure, Vanderbilt became increasingly more selective, admitting 35 percent of its applicants last year, compared with 61 percent when he arrived," said Mills.

One of the first items addressed by Mills in his convocation speech at the beginning of the academic year was the potential of having a new dean of admissions this year.

"This time of transition in the leadership of our admissions office does not indicate nor will it result in a change in admissions policy for this college," Mills said in the speech.

Shain said he is "drawn to students with interesting minds," and that he looks forward to spending time doing different things.

Shain will replace Steele, who was asked to step in from retirement and return to Bowdoin as dean of admissions and financial aid by

Mills when former dean Jim Miller left to work for his alma mater, Brown University, last August.

Shain is "extremely well qualified, well known nationally, and has a terrific reputation," said Steele. He also noted Shain's "nice sense of humor," and outstanding ability to remember students he had admitted

"Though not most important overall, but still extremely useful," Steele said, was that Shain "would bring some real innovations in terms of the use of technology to help efficiency...and we need it."

Shain will likely come to campus briefly this spring to witness the Bowdoin admissions process in action.

Shain said he had a "lovely experience" with the search committee.

"I was impressed with the intelligence, sensitivity, and warmth of people" at Bowdoin,

he said. "I felt very welcome."

The committee, headed by Mills, consisted of a group of individuals from across campus, including professors, a student, a coach, and other officials from various departments.

According to Vice President for Planning and Institutional Advancement Scott Meiklejohn, the identities of the candidates were kept secret so the colleges that the candidates were working at would not know that they were job hunting. Thus, only members of the search committee, members of the admissions staff, and other important officials were included in the process. Shain, for example, had an interview with the committee by videoconference, and many other interviews were held in Portland.

The committee also used Isaacson Miller, a search firm based in Boston, to assist in the process.

Members of the search committee highlighted several characteristics that made Shain stand out from the applicant pool.

Women's Basketball Coach Stefanie Pempser said, "It was apparent Bill loves admissions work and sees Bowdoin as a great fit. He seems thrilled to be back on a small liberal arts campus and eager to be an active member of our community."

"What stood out to me most about Mr. Shain was the importance he placed on maintaining a strong relationship with the student body in relation to his work in admissions. As a current student, this struck me as a very important asset to have in a dean of admissions,"

*"This time of transition in the leadership of our admissions office does not indicate nor will it result in a change in admissions policy for this college."*

President Barry Mills in his 2005 convocation speech

years before.

Steele and Shain were once competitors, in fact.

"At one point, I was dean of admissions at Carleton when Bill was dean of admissions at Macalaster," Steele said. Both colleges are competitive liberal arts schools in Minnesota.

Asked if he knows of any new directions Shain might take as head of admissions, Steele said that while he is sure Shain will bring in a lot of fresh ideas to the operation, he did not know of any specifics yet.

## Common Hour speaker plans to attend reception after his lecture

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tickets to Rushdie's lecture. With all the attention surrounding the event, some have questioned why a larger venue, such as the gym, is not being used.

"Athletics has the priority to the gym," Assistant Director of Events Brenna Hensley said.

"It's just not an option."

Students, who could only pick up one ticket at a time with a Bowdoin ID, lined up for tickets on February 10 when they were first made available.

"I didn't think the tickets would run out that quickly," said Shahid Khoja '06, who is planning to attend the Common Hour.

"There was a huge line, and tickets ran out in like two hours," he said. All the tickets that have been returned will be redistributed starting at 11 a.m. before the lecture.

According to Hensley, the events department has been working to accommodate those students unable to get tickets. In addition to holding the talk in Pickard, Rushdie's lecture will be projected live in Wish Theatre. Also, there will be a reception in Moulton Union directly after the event until 3 p.m. that Rushdie is planning to attend.

Hensley hopes to keep the reception from devolving into a book signing. "A lot of it depends on the speaker's personality, but I don't want him to get stuck [signing books]," she said.

To combat this, Hensley said, "He'll mingle for 20 to 30 minutes before sitting down. Our goal is to have him interact with the campus." Hensley asked students to limit themselves to bringing one book per person to be signed.

Rushdie, born in 1947 in Bombay, India, grew up at a time of rapid change in the subcontinent. In June of that year, Pakistan separated from India. On August 15, 1947, India gained its independence from Great Britain and a time of turmoil, hope, and violence began. Because of this, many of Rushdie's books focus on political themes. Rushdie, however, shies away from convention when retelling his country's past.

"He doesn't write about facts. He's a fiction writer," Khoja said. "When you're reading facts, you just get what is written in history."

Rushdie's second novel, "Midnight's Children," deals with post-independence India's dreams and ideals meeting reality and opens with a child being born on the eve of independence.

"It is one of my favorite novels. I've taught him in a couple of classes. He's a great writer," Associate Professor of English Aviva Briefel said.

His third novel, "Shame," deals with the same issues and time period, focusing on a fictional country strongly resembling Pakistan. The book deals with the concept of honor versus shame.

However, Rushdie's fame, and his fatwa, did not come until his fourth book, "The Satanic Verses," was published. "The Satanic Verses" deals with the ideas of good versus evil, faith versus fanaticism, and illusion versus reality.

"We tend to associate him with 'The Satanic Verses,' because of what happened after that," Briefel said.

Khoja says he thinks much of the interest in the Common Hour is fueled by the controversy surrounding Rushdie.

"I just read in the news that he wrote about something blasphemous. People are just focusing on that one controversy and not looking at the rest of his work," he said.

Briefel also expressed concern that the lecture will be focused on controversy.

"I'm hoping people will ask him questions about his writing, in addition to about what happened to him in the late 80s and early 90s," she said.

Hensley shares the campus's anticipation of Rushdie's upcoming lecture.

"We're honored to have him here," she said. Since his writing is taught in Asian studies, religion, history, and English at the College, Rushdie has been "somebody the College has wanted to bring for quite some time," Hensley said.

"We've been pursuing him heavily for the past year," she said.



Courtesy of Vanderbilt University

Bill Shain, currently Vanderbilt's dean of admissions, will replace Bowdoin Dean of Admissions Dick Steele. Shain will begin July 1.

said Leslie Wittenbraker '06, the only current student on the committee.

Associate Professor of Chemistry Rick Broene said he liked Shain's desire "to engage the faculty in conversations that would lead him to a better understanding of the people the faculty would hope to have as Bowdoin students and match applicant interests to faculty strengths."

In his email to campus, Mills thanked Miller and Steele for their successes building "a program that has seen remarkable and sustained success throughout the 1990s and into this new century."

Mills noted the 5,400 applications received for the Class of 2010—a seven percent increase over last year's record number of applications.

"Bowdoin continues to attract interest from across America and around the world, allowing us to build a first-year class of high-achieving young men and women who will be society's future leaders," said Mills.

Steele said he is looking forward to returning to retirement. A week before Mills asked him to step in last summer, Steele had just published his first spy novel. He has now written two chapters of a new "detective novel with an admissions twist." He said the novel involves a mafia member's daughter applying to college, and said "when she gets turned down it isn't going to be pretty."

Steele said he has loved his work, but looks forward to having time to go to concerts and athletic events on campus, and perhaps throwing some parties for the admissions staff. He will also teach two workshops this July at Yale for high school students who do not have the opportunity to receive significant college counseling.

As for the transition process ahead, Steele has few concerns.

"I will share as much as I can with him so it will be a nice, smooth handoff," said Steele. "But, I don't need to advise [Shain]. He's a real pro."

## Martial arts workshop: a sensei-tional success



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Workshop participants look on as eight-degree blackbelt Kenpo Jujitsu demonstrates martial arts. The workshop, held last Saturday, also included a Japanese drumming (Taiko) performance by the Maine Thunder Spirits youth group.

# Posse retreat confronts class issues at Bowdoin

by Mary Helen Miller  
and Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Below the poverty line. Upper class. Lower class. These are among the terms with which students chose to publicly identify themselves at a retreat sponsored by the Posse Foundation.

The retreat, which took place at the Marriott Hotel in Portland last weekend, required students to push themselves out of their comfort zones for the sake of generating personal, in-depth discussions about socioeconomic class at Bowdoin.

The Posse Foundation, based in New York, selects students from New York, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, and Washington D.C. to form multicultural teams that apply to a college as a group. These teams, or "posses," are given training and scholarships for college.

Since the Posse program was brought to Bowdoin six years ago, Bowdoin's Posse scholars have planned annual weekend retreats to discuss a topic that concerns the campus community that year. The scholars are also largely responsible for recruiting other students and faculty to attend the retreat.

The Posse scholars for the class of 2008 represent the last ones at Bowdoin. Because the Posse Foundation does not take financial need into account when selecting the scholars, Bowdoin decided to discontinue its chapter of the program. Instead, the number of Chamberlain Scholars, who are selected for leadership and financial need, will be increased from eight to 15 for the class of 2010.

Director of First Year and Multicultural Student Programs and Posse Mentor Stacey Jones said, "Planning the Posse Plus Retreat is a full effort from Posse staff in Boston, Posse scholars on campus,

and the Posse mentors."

Jones said that after the Posse Scholars on campus decide on a topic, the Boston Posse staff plans a two day retreat schedule, "filled with activities, structured and unstructured conversation among other things, to engage community members in the chosen topic."

This year's retreat, which was attended by about 60 students—both Posse scholars and any other students who wanted to attend—and several faculty members, began last Friday evening with a discussion centered on the issue of global socioeconomic status. The Posse staff selected 50 people to form a "global village," or a microcosm of the world which would statistically represent its current population.

The staff then read statements. A number of people stood up to give a visual representation of the percentage of the world to whom the statement applied. For instance, 17 of the village members would be undernourished, one would have AIDS, 35 would be illiterate, and one would have a college education.

On Saturday, the focus shifted from a global level to a community and personal level. Signs were hung around the room that described different levels of socioeconomic class, such as "middle class," "upper class," and "immigrant class."

Participants had to choose a description with which they did not identify, and write down the stereotypes they held of that group.

After this brainstorming exercise, participants were asked to stand by the class label that they did identify with and write down what it was really like to be part of that group. In some cases, the stereotypes were a close match to the descriptions that actual members of the group provided, but in other cases, there were major discrepancies.

"I felt a little surprised [by the activity]," Rachael Fleming '09 said. "I



Theresa Weaver, The Bowdoin Orient

Anh Huynh '07 and David Scott '08 enjoy lunch together on the last day of the Posse retreat. Huynh and Scott were two of about 60 students at the event.

really liked the exercise because it kind of showed that people do assume a lot by a person's social status."

"I felt kind of hurt, but some of them were kind of true. It was a good exercise," she said.

Saturday afternoon, participants had one-on-one discussions guided by questions in a booklet. The questions included, "What are the advantages and disadvantages about your socioeconomic class?" and "What do you wish more people knew about your class?"

Although the main purpose of the retreat was to share experiences about socioeconomic class, one Posse scholar said that everybody was also there "to have a good time." So, on Saturday night, the Posse scholars hosted the "No Talent, Talent Show."

Acts included a rendition of "Paddy-cake," a German poetry recitation, and a silly but fervent impromptu speech by Stacey Jones, which spurred audience to throw their

hands in the air and shout "Amen!" and "Hallelujah!"

The retreat ended on Sunday morning when participants sat in a circle, and each individual walked to the middle of the circle and told the group how he or she would apply his experience at the retreat to his life at Bowdoin.

"I really enjoyed experiencing things outside my comfort zone," Fleming said.

"In the safe space created by the Posse Plus facilitators, we were able to experience these things in a completely safe and unbiased environment."

Dudney Sylla '08, a Posse scholar, agreed. "I felt the retreat was great because it got people to talk about an issue that is hidden and rarely openly discussed at Bowdoin."

"Everyone was respectful of each other's comments and viewpoints. This program does an excellent job of creating an atmosphere where people can be honest and feel safe doing so," he said.

## Spring semester popular for study abroad applicants

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The most popular study abroad destinations for the Class of 2008 are not very different from last year, Hall said, with the top choice continuing to be the United Kingdom, where 43 students are planning to study next year, including two in Northern Ireland. Spain and Italy also continue to be popular locations, with 34 and 27 students planning to study there next year, respectively. Australia and New Zealand are becoming more popular again this year, after declining in interest for a few years.

"There are certain trends—certain countries that tend to be in vogue at certain times," Hall said.

The OCS Office also received 15 applications for study abroad in Denmark, seven for India, six for Sri Lanka, and four for South Africa.

Hall was excited to see a growing number of students applying to study in South Africa.

"After the CCB program ended, we were worried about losing interest in that area," he said.

Hall estimates that the Class of 2008 will see 235 students study abroad next year, a slightly smaller number than the 250 who studied away during the course of this year.

"This is a very rough projection based on those who tend to drop out," he said.

Applicants for the fall will be notified by Spring Break as to whether their plans for study away have been approved by the OCS Committee. Applicants for the spring might not be notified so soon.

"We've got a lot of scrambling around to do between the semesters, and that's going to be our first priority," Hall said.

## CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT: 2/17 TO 2/20

### Friday, February 17

•A student complaining of chest pains was transported to Parkview Hospital for observation.

•A female Colby swimmer who dislocated her thumb was transported from Farley Field House to Parkview Hospital.

•Damage was reported to a storage building at the Elm Street student apartment building.

•The Brunswick Police Department issued a summons to a local woman for violating a law enforcement harassment order after she contacted a Bowdoin staff member in violation of the order.

•Heavy winds caused a tree branch to fall on a student's vehicle at the Boody Street lot, breaking the rear window.

•A student reported her vehicle window smashed out at the

Brunswick Apartments parking lot. Security identified a student responsible for the damage and a report was filed with the dean of student affairs.

•A female student at Brunswick Apartments reported being assaulted by an ex-boyfriend. The offending student was identified and a report was filed with the dean of student affairs.

•Alcohol policy violations were cited at a registered event at Quinby House.

### Saturday, February 18

•A false fire alarm was activated at Dayton Arena.

•A student who received a head injury at a martial arts class received treatment at Parkview Hospital.

### Sunday, February 19

•A Maine Hall student who slipped on ice and received a head injury was transported to Parkview Hospital.

•An intrusion alarm was inadvertently activated at Hubbard Hall.

•There was a report of a possible burglary at the Bethel Point boat house. Investigation determined that the building had been left unsecured by a staff member.

•A fire alarm at East Hall was set off by a student using a microwave oven.

### Monday, February 20

•A local woman who was injured in a fall while ice skating at Dayton Arena was transported to Mid-Coast Hospital.

•A student who unsafely operated a Bowdoin van lost driving privileges for one year.

•A female student reported receiving an annoying telephone call from an unidentified person.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Caty Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

•Attendance: 23/26. Absent: Kendall Brown '06, Mike LoBiondo '06, Sophia Seifert '09.  
•The BSG Committee on Facilities is working with the administration to create a pilot program for a one-card system that could be used in downtown Brunswick.

•The BSG Committee on Student Affairs will be having a faculty and staff appreciation day on April 21.

•A forum on academic freedom hosted by the academic affairs committee was held on Wednesday night. One student and an Orient reporter attended.

•BSG will be providing information on its web site about steps to

be taken in the event that a student experiences academic bias.

•An amendment to the election rules that states that no member of the Elections Commission may endorse any candidate in any form was passed unanimously.

•A constitutional amendment that allows BSG to hire an independent secretary to keep the minutes at meetings was passed 22-0-2.

•BSG turned down a constitutional amendment that called for a hired independent moderator to facilitate BSG meetings, with a vote of 8-14-1.

•Two amendments clarifying rules for abstentions were passed unanimously.

•An amendment on social house representation was tabled, to be voted upon later.

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# FEATURES

## Nancy Riley's research explores myths of gender in China

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

### Professor Profile

*Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Nancy Riley has been to China so many times, she has lost count. Nonetheless, within the next six months, she will have another three trips under her belt—two weeks with Bowdoin faculty over Spring Break, five weeks with students at the beginning of the summer, and a research trip to the Northeast of China before the start of the next academic year. The Orient sat down with Riley to find out more about her upcoming adventures, her research on gender and family, and her personal take on China Rose.*

**The Bowdoin Orient:** So, why China?

**Professor Nancy Riley:** I was at home choosing courses before beginning at the University of Pennsylvania. It was boring at home in the summer, so I was looking through the catalogue and thought, 'Oh, I can take Chinese. That would be cool.' So I signed up for Chinese, having no idea what I was getting myself into (laughs) and it was really hard, but it was so much fun. And that was how I became a Chinese Studies major—it was from boredom (laughs).

**Orient:** So how many times have you been to China over the course of your life?

**Riley:** I have no idea.

**Orient:** Ballpark figure?

**Riley:** Forty? I don't know, a lot. I lived in Taiwan for a year in the 1970s when I was in college and I lived in Beijing for a year in the mid-80s and I spent many months, sometimes three months at a time, in China for the next few years when I was in my job in Hawaii. I also lived in the Northeast for a year and a half or so, so I've lived there too and not just traveled there. But I don't know how many times I've been there—a lot.

**Orient:** Can you tell me about your research in China on family and gender?

**Riley:** Originally, I started by looking at marriage decisions by young women—how much parental influence there was in marriage decisions in Beijing—and then I did a lot of demographic research, most of it using survey analysis and then most recently, I've been working on a project on women and migrants from the rural areas who work in factories and I'm looking at how that work has changed the power in their families.

**Orient:** Americans seem to hold a lot of stereotypes about the Chinese. What assumptions do you often hear and which, if



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Nancy Riley is heading to China with Bowdoin students this summer.

any, are true?

**Riley:** Because I work with gender and women and things like that, people always, on both sides—both the China and U.S. sides—want to know whether the status of women is higher there or here. People in the United States assume that women's status in China is lower than that of American women and people in China think the status of American women is lower than that of Chinese women. I find it a riot that

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## Sharing Adderall with friends can endanger their health

Ask Dr. Jeff

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**Dear Dr. Jeff:** Is there anything wrong with occasionally sharing a friend's Adderall? —T.F.

**Dear T.F.:** Actually... There are some pretty compelling medical and legal reasons not to share Adderall.

Let's first get right to the legal bottom line. Adderall is a Schedule II Controlled Substance, and by federal and state law, it is only available by special, restricted prescription for supervised treatment of specified medical conditions. Taking someone else's Adderall is illegal. Giving someone some of your own Adderall is illegal. Selling a friend some of your Adderall is illegal. In fact, selling Adderall is dealing, and constitutes an unambiguous violation of state and federal drug trafficking laws as well as College policy.

That being said, on college campuses nationwide, stimulant medications like Adderall and Ritalin are frequently traded among friends as "study aids." At Bowdoin, nearly one in 5 students surveyed has reported doing so during the previous year. More informal surveys suggest even higher rates of sharing. Is this safe?



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Sharing or selling your Adderall is not only dangerous, it is also illegal under state and federal statutes.

Regular doses of stimulant medications may not be particularly benign. Common side effects include loss of appetite and weight loss, inability to fall or stay asleep, abnormal heartbeats, abdominal pain, and abnormal muscle movements and twitching. Possible side effects include elevated blood pressure, chest pain, shortness of breath, dizziness, skin rashes, anxiety, psychosis, and manic and schizophrenic breaks. While all of these side effects are likely dose-related, and reversible after stopping the medication, they are not always or universally so. And these possible side effects are not uncommon. A recent study found that nearly one in 10 children placed on stimulant drugs for

ADHD develop psychotic symptoms, fortunately reversible as soon as the medications are withdrawn.

Stimulants cannot be taken safely if you have an underlying seizure disorder, cardiac condition, glaucoma, pregnancy, or narrowing of your esophagus, stomach or intestines. They can have very dangerous interactions with other drugs.

The cardiac risks of stimulants, in particular, have recently gotten a lot of press. The Food and Drug Administration recently imposed new "black box warnings" for Ritalin and related medications, specifying that they

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## Postcard from Hamburg, Germany

by Ted Reinert '05  
ALUMNUS CONTRIBUTOR

Hello, Bowdoin:

Today I went back to high school. Granted, I've been teaching in one for nearly six months—English teaching assistant at a "gymnasium" (high school) in Hamburg, that's my job. But now I had put my feet in the shoes of a German 12th grader, going to class as a student in a new effort to improve my language skills and knowledge of 19th century literature. I stared down at the four inch-tall yellow novel in my hands, and the teacher said, "Ein Kausalsatz—Ted?"

I am one of roughly 120 just-out-of-college Americans teaching in Germany on Fulbright grants this year. Four of us are Bowdoin grads. Thanks to our wonderful professors, our school's German majors have been particularly adept at receiving these grants, to the tune of about three every year. The city of Hamburg has particularly strong Bowdoin connections as well—I'm one of five grads to be sent here in the last two years.

I arrived in Hamburg on September 12. A week prior to that, I walked downstairs in a Cologne hostel to find Dan Coogan '05 and Kevin Erspamer '05 passed out from jet lag on the lobby couch. This led to two nights of schnitzel and Kolsch consumption (the latter is Cologne's unique signature beer), after which we were locked away for several days in a medieval cloister with all the other Americans to be trained for the year. This was sort of like a college orientation, except for the part about being in a medieval cloister, and the fact that at the end we were spread to east, west, Bavaria, and small islands in the Baltic, instead of living together in close quarters for the next four years.

The city on the Elbe (Dresden and Prague are further upstream, but I'm talking about Hamburg)

quickly and easily became my new home. Hamburg is a beautiful town that is very green (until the sun abandons it in November) and crisscrossed by canals and bridges. It has an elegant downtown, museums, one of the fanciest shopping streets in the world, colorful "alternative" districts, and one of the world's busiest harbors. Hamburg also features St. Pauli and the Reeperbahn, a red-light district second only to Amsterdam's. The Beatles cut their teeth playing clubs here, and on Saturday nights it is flush with revelers ages 15 to 60, many of whom stay out all night and go to the fish market at 5 a.m. for a freshly-caught breakfast.

I have chosen to live within easy walking distance of the gymnasium (like high school, but starting with the fifth grade) where I teach. This means I live nestled between Europe's largest cemetery and Hamburg's airport, which I can walk to in about 15 minutes. There's actually some lovely trails around the airport and a hill from which you can watch the planes take off.

I am obligated to help with only 12 classes a week, and classes are only 45 minutes each, so it's a pretty light work load. My work for a class session will vary, from lessons that I plan and teach myself to ones I mostly watch, being called on to answer hard grammar questions or to read passages in my capacity as a native speaker. My lesson topics have ranged from vocabulary building exercises for the younger students about animals, vegetables, and Halloween, to lectures for the older students on illegal immigration, the Mexican War, 19th-century Indian policy, the civil rights movement, and alternative energy. I taught everyone "Twas the Night Before Christmas" in December.

If you're ever thinking about vis-

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Courtesy of Ted Reinert

Reinert in Hamburg posing with a warthog statue. He is in Germany teaching on a Fulbright grant.

## A postcard from an alum in Hamburg, Deutschland



Ted Reinert for the Bowdoin Orient

"In the nearby city of Lübeck, birthplace of Thomas Mann and home of the world's best marzipan, which I have visited four times already, the winter also featured an international ice sculpture exhibition of astonishing scope."

HAMBURG, from page 4

iting Hamburg, come in December. While the Germans aren't particularly known for their warmth, most whom I've gotten to know are pretty nice once you get to know them. In the holiday season, against the darkness and the cold, the warmth overflows. Christmas markets consisting of stands selling arts and crafts, sweaters, candies, wursts, potato pancakes, herring on a roll, and, above all, Glühwein—hot spiced red wine—are erected on the town squares for a full month. People gather, standing outside in their parkas and scarves, Glühwein mugs in hand. There's a cheer to the holiday here that America's lavishly decorated malls can never match.

In the nearby city of Lübeck, birthplace of Thomas Mann and home of the world's best marzipan, which I have visited four times already, the winter also featured an international ice sculpture exhibition of astonishing scope. Here I discovered that hockey-playing polar bears can be found beyond Dayton Arena.

I do have an astonishing amount of free time here, which I relish. I have gotten to know the downtown area very well by strolling it incessantly between stops in museums, bookshops, and coffee shops. I explore new places as funds allow, but apart from one visit to the

lovely practically-in-Switzerland university town of Freiburg, I have not yet left northern Germany—there is plenty here to see, from nearby smaller cities like Bremen and Lübeck to Hamburg's many unique neighborhoods.

As a cinephile, the selection of films is one of my favorite parts of living in a city, and since German film is my greatest interest, Hamburg is damn near perfect. One of the highlights of my year was meeting one of the directors, about whom I wrote my honors project, at the premiere of his new movie.

Meeting friends at the bars here is always fun as well. The atmosphere is good, and the beer is the best in the world (Germany also has the best bread and sausages). My social circle currently includes more Brits and fellow Americans than Germans, but five months in this country certainly has improved my German. There's only more to look forward to in the next five months, including a conference in Berlin next weekend for all the Fulbrighters and the World Cup. Also, the sun is coming back which is always a cause for celebration.

Auf Wiedersehen!

Ted Reinert held positions as arts and entertainment editor and managing editor at the Orient before his graduation last year.

## When it comes to Adderall, sharing is not really caring

ADDERALL, from page 4

may lead to increased risk of sudden cardiac death. Adderall and Adderall XR have carried this exact same warning since 2004.

I am not trying to "scare" you away from Adderall or other stimulants. I'm just trying to point out that there are very real risks to taking these medications, and that these risks need to be thoughtfully considered in the context of your medical history and an understanding of your physical and mental status and needs. Treatment with Adderall, like treatment with any prescription medication, involves more than just prescribing or dispensing. It also includes monitoring for side effects, and continually evaluating the risk-benefit ratio of treatment.

One final point, T.F. If you are struggling to keep up with your academic work load, you'd be well advised to talk it over with your advisor and/or dean. Staying up late on Adderall to study or to write a paper is not the answer. There are many other ways to better and more safely manage your time and your workload.

And if you are having trouble concentrating, remember that the likely causes are inadequate sleep, diet or exercise, recreational drug or alcohol use, stress, depression, or anxiety. You may want to come into the health center or the counseling center to look into those possibilities.

Be well!

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center

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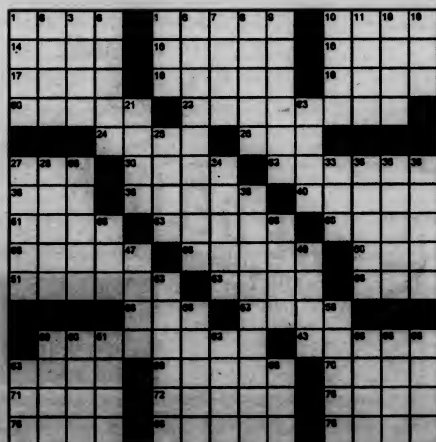
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## WEEKLY CROSSWORD: THEY WALKED THESE HALLS



Adam Kimmel, The Bowdoin Orient

### ACROSS

- 1 Belch
- 5 Capital of Bangladesh
- 10 Tuft of hair
- 14 64-down
- 15 Desert pond
- 16 Leer at
- 17 Honk
- 18 Kind of fabric
- 19 Tadpole's big brother
- 20 Snake
- 22 Gifted
- 24 Speed
- 26 Ocean
- 27 Dined
- 30 Plunder
- 32 Bowdoin's most influential alum (1824)
- 37 Physique
- 38 Enter (alt. spelling)
- 40 Frank Wright
- 41 Bear or Berra
- 43 Escargot
- 45 Central points
- 46 Permanent mark
- 48 San Diego starting pitcher

### DOWN

- 50 Discovery Channel sister network
- 51 Yell
- 53 Past
- 54 Culmination of tennis games
- 55 River (Spanish)
- 57 Epochs
- 59 Tropical tree fruits
- 63 Bowdoin alum, who was first man to reach the North Pole (1877)
- 67 Lottery game
- 68 Sharpen a razor
- 70 7-down
- 71 Towards
- 72 Swelling
- 73 Poker give-away (2 wds.)
- 74 A spinning toy
- 75 Bumpkin
- 76 Discount
- 1 Ali in "Arabian Nights"
- 2 Secondhand
- 3 Bowdoin alum who founded

### Netflix,

- Hastings (1983); or of 19th century Speaker of the House
- Thomas (1860)
- Book material
- Period
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- 9 Dozing
- 10 Attic
- 11 Shrek
- 12 Glob
- 13 Beer container
- 21 Edict
- 23 Toe or finger
- 25 Male children
- 27 Gulf
- 28 Food chopper
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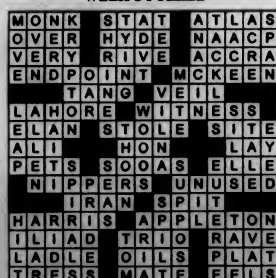
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- 49 Breaking sound
- 52 Bowdoin alum, sex researcher (1916)
- 56 Beat
- 58 Chairs
- 59 Penny
- 60 Upon
- 61 Chicken house
- 62 Journey

### 64 14-across

- 65 Small brook
- 66 Bulldogs' school
- 67 Korean Car brand
- 69 Buddy

For a new puzzle and answers to this puzzle, see next week's Orient.

### SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



# Professor Riley's research explores the myths of gender in China, U.S.

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people are always assuming this on either side. I'm always trying to figure out how to answer the question because it depends how you look at it—China has much better enforcement of support for working mothers than does the United States (the United States has very little support), but on the other hand, we don't have missing girls in this country, so it's very difficult—there's no way to measure it.

**Orient:** Your daughter is adopted from China. Why did you decide to adopt a Chinese daughter?

**Riley:** Once we decided to adopt, the question was where, and I was working and living in China at that point. A Chinese friend of mine was visiting in Hawaii and she said to me, "Oh, I'll help you adopt, it's so easy!" Well, she was wrong—it was not so easy. It was the most difficult thing I've ever done in my life. One of the best things I've ever done in my life, but still, it was the most difficult. I did it because I felt a strong connection to China and so it seemed to make sense.

**Orient:** And you didn't go through an American agency?

**Riley:** (laughs) No, I just did it all myself! They did not allow foreigners to adopt children at that time, so the year that we adopted Maggie, 1990, there were 12 children adopted from China by Americans in the whole country. Now, there are 3,000 or 4,000 or something. We didn't go through an agency—I just did it on my own. I went to each little office and asked them for their signature. I had to go through eight different Chinese agencies, and it was just arbitrary whether they said 'yes' or 'no.'

**Orient:** Tell me about Chinese food in America. Do you like it?

**Riley:** Chinese food in the United States is generally not at all like Chinese food in China. I mean, it has connec-

tions—some vague, shadowy connections—to the food there. I love the food there. I love Chinese food. I could eat Chinese food 365 days a year. It's rougher, I think, than the food here, but it's also fresher. It's great (laughs).

**Orient:** You've mentioned in the past that you've eaten both scorpion and dog. Anything else we should add to the list?

**Riley:** Yes, I've eaten silkworm cocoons. Awful. They are some of the worst things I've ever eaten.

**Orient:** What do they taste like?

**Riley:** Mush. They are really awful. Actually, one of the things I have real trouble with is that one of the delicacies in China are sea cucumbers, although sea slugs would be a better word for them (laughs). They're a real delicacy, so when I'm being wined-and-dined there, people order sea cucumbers for me and I really do not like them.

**Orient:** Tell me more about your upcoming trips to China with students and faculty.

**Riley:** Well, one of the reasons that I'm doing this is the Freedman Grant that we got. The purpose of that money is to introduce Asia to people who hadn't had exposure to Asia, but also might not ever get exposure to Asia. And so this is an opportunity for me to teach about something I feel very strongly about—not just China—China's a great place, but also, the fact that people in the United States don't necessarily know very much about China and aren't always interested in finding out. So it was a great opportunity for me to introduce China to students in a

different way—and there is no better way than to be there and to do it this way. And this year, I'm also taking a group of faculty.

**Orient:** Have you taken faculty before?

**Riley:** No (laughs). I don't know all of the faculty members very well in the group—it's a variety of people from lots of different disciplines.

They're really eager too, they're so excited. They're reading things and trying to figure out how this information and what they'll see can be brought into their courses. I'm hoping it will create a stronger community, a bigger community, of people who are interested in China, and that would really translate into the classroom somehow, even if it's

but I think they may teach differently when they get back.

I really do think that there are connections across disciplines in ways that may surprise even us. One of the things that's very hard at Bowdoin is for faculty to have the time and the space to talk to people in different disciplines and different departments. Every time we get together and are able to do this, we all love it because it makes our brains work differently and it forces us to ask questions we wouldn't normally ask, and I think a lot of that will go on.

**Orient:** What are some of your upcoming projects?

**Riley:** I've got two projects that I'm interested in doing. I just finished a book about my research in the Northeast and have submitted it to a press, and I've now decided I want to write a book for a popular audience on women in China, where I'll have a broader audience and will speak to some of these misconceptions about women and gender and stuff like that in a way that might reach further.

At the same time, I'm also interested in Asians in the U.S. Part of that comes from having a Chinese daughter and some of that comes from the way that people talk to me and what they say about China. I'm interested, for example, if you go to small towns in Maine, they all have Chinese restaurants and I want to know what people are doing when they eat Chinese food—do they think there's a connection to China? And if so, how is that? I want to know about the meaning of that restaurant and how it represents something to people as

they are eating Chinese food in rural Maine. I am really interested in the ways people interpret or think about Asian-ness and Chinese-ness in the United States and so I'm planning on doing some work on Chinese restaurants in Maine, although my husband says that means I have to eat the food (laughs).

I'm also in a similar manner interested in Chinatowns and what Chinatown means. I'm working on developing a project that looks at Chinatown in Honolulu and Chinatown in Boston. I lived in Honolulu, and 80 percent of the population in Hawaii is not white—they're not all Chinese, of course, but they're not white—so the uniqueness and the special-ness, the Asian-ness, of that Chinatown is not the same as it is in Boston. Again, I want to know what the meaning is of that space and how it differs in a population like Hawaii. Part of it is the same thing—not just studying Chinese people in China, but studying the ways that Americans think about Chinese people within their own culture.

**Orient:** One last question—how did you end up with your office in Riley House, with the last name Riley?

**Riley:** People always used to ask me if I was related to Matilda Riley—I didn't have tenure, I was brand new—I was like, "Yeah, it's part of the new process—I haven't gotten tenure yet, but they named a building after me" (laughs).

Matilda Riley founded the sociology department at Bowdoin. She died a couple of years ago at a very old age, and she was really active all of the way through—she watched over us. So I'm not related to her, although at least in this part of the world, they know how to spell my name (laughs).

Riley is currently teaching "Introduction to Social Research" and "Contemporary Chinese Society" at Bowdoin. She looks forward to her return to China in two weeks.




On their trip to China this summer, Riley and Bowdoin students plan to make a stop at the Great Wall before spending the remainder of their time living with peasants in rural areas.

indirectly.

For example, one of the things that I have found very useful is thinking about women's veiling in the Middle East because it makes me think about the way that practices that seem so foreign to me are parts of cultures and I can connect that with something I am more familiar with in China. I don't expect the faculty who go to teach necessarily about China,

way that people talk to me and what they say about China. I'm interested, for example, if you go to small towns in Maine, they all have Chinese restaurants and I want to know what people are doing when they eat Chinese food—do they think there's a connection to China? And if so, how is that? I want to know about the meaning of that restaurant and how it represents something to people as



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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## 'Monologues' inspires discussion



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Jamie Quinn '06 (left), Elaine Kilabuk '08 (middle), and Nina Ward '08 (right) were among the Bowdoin women who performed in "The Vagina Monologues" as part of the College's annual observance of V-Day.

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

At this year's "The Vagina Monologues," 40 of Bowdoin's own women will bring humorous, traumatic, and silenced sexual experiences into the open.

"There's a power in the show and the V-Day movement," said Alex Lamb '07, one of this year's directors. "Forty women's voices being heard is a really moving thing."

Those voices fill Kresge Auditorium again February 23 through 25 at 7 p.m., providing a safe and thoughtful environment to talk about sexual violence.

All four directors—Lamb, Gwenn Hollingworth '06, Whitney Hogan '07, and Emily Skinner '08—emphasized that "Monologues" provides a positive venue for women to hear and speak about sexual issues that face women, especially at a small college like Bowdoin.

"There are members of our community who are real survivors of sexual violence, which is something we're focusing on this year," said Hogan. "The show is real and hopeful and speaks the truth about things that are rarely spoken about."

Though much of the show deals with the heavy issues of violence against women, there are also elements of hope, inspiration, and humor. Hollingworth, who has participated in the show every year she has been at Bowdoin, said that her favorite part of the show is bringing all the women together.

"I feel like I'm a part of something, supporting an organization in the local community when we're in a bubble most of the time," she said.

When the directors asked the women in "Monologues" to sum up how they felt about the show and their performances, they all used phrases like "empowered," "a part of something," "powerful," and "inspired." Hogan also emphasized universality behind "Monologues."

"These could be any of our stories," she said. Lamb included how every member of the Bowdoin com-

munity is affected by sexual violence. "At the end of the show, when we ask people to stand up if they know someone affected by sexual violence, all 280 are standing."

For Skinner, the most important part of "Monologues" comes through the safe and positive environment.

"It's so important to give women the opportunity to hear and speak more about this and become more comfortable," she said. "You find that people are more willing to speak up, even if it just is to say something like, 'I love sex.'"

The program is not just about traumatic sexual experiences, but also about being positive and open about sex.

"It's about how fundamentally good or bad sexual experiences affect not only the body, but the person as a whole," Hollingworth said.

The directors also discussed V-Day's Global Spotlight for this year, which focuses on the "Comfort Women," women forced to be sex slaves for Japanese soldiers during World War II. Most of these women who are still alive are outraged by the current Japanese government's positions regarding this part of the country's history.

Hannah Harwood '08, one of the performers of the Comfort Women monologue, said that she didn't see these women as "angry or bitter, but I see these women as strong and standing up for something in their lives."

Because there were so many women involved in this tragedy, Harwood said it was difficult to make all the voices cohesive, but the power of their stories came through.

"There are a lot of voices, but uniform solidarity," she said. "All they want is to hear someone just say sorry."

Lamb summed up the different voices of "Monologues" by saying, "The show is about loving each other and loving yourself."

V-Day will be showing the organization's video in the pub and talking more about the group on Monday night. It invites the whole campus to take part in the discussion.

## Kelley to bring pop sound to Smith

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

Josh Kelley, a young musician from the South, will be playing tonight in Smith Union's Morrell Lounge at 8 p.m. Kelley is known for his top 10 hit, "Amazing." He last toured with Dave Matthews and the Goo Goo Dolls.

A native of Augusta, Georgia, Kelley went to the University of Mississippi on a golf scholarship. There, Kelley began singing and playing the acoustic guitar at parties. He became well known for his specialty of using Dave Matthews progressions as backup for his rendition of Snoop Dogg rhymes.

While at UMiss, Kelley posted some demos online, which led to his eventual signing with Hollywood Records.

The tall, attractive build of an athlete disguises the sensitivity of this 25-year-old singer who can be heard full force in songs such as "Everyone Wants You" and "Only You." According to his web site, Kelley

### IVIES WEEKEND

Looking ahead to spring, the CAB has confirmed that the band OK Go will headline the musical lineup for Ivies Weekend, April 28 to 30.

claims to have begun singing as a way to meet girls, though it soon became a way to emotionally express himself.

Much of Kelley's appeal is the gospel-like qualities that he has incorporated, citing a nearby gospel choir as an influence as well as musicians such as Stevie Wonder, Sam Cooke, Otis Redding, and Jeff Buckley.

The Campus Activities Board (CAB) chose Kelley because it was looking to bring to Bowdoin a variety of musicians that would appeal to the campus.

Kelley represented the kind of variety the CAB was looking for.

"We try and cover as many different genres as we can," said Carolyn Hricko '08.

The concert is free to students.

Jesse Drummond contributed to this report.

## Streep paved with acting gold

by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST



For a very long time this is a tribute I feel I was meant to write.

Almost as long as I have loved film, Meryl Streep has been my favorite actor, the grand dame of cinema, not to mention arguably the best actress of all-time. Her consistency time and again, not to mention awe inspiring range and versatility on screen still find ways to surprise me.

From humble beginnings as a student at Vassar with no aspirations of acting, Streep quickly shot to stardom in a mere decade. In a story that has become something of a legend, she was asked to read a dramatic passage from "A Streetcar Named Desire" as a freshman in her introductory drama class in 1967. Upon doing so the professor instantly recognized her talent, and four years later she graduated with drama as her major and acting as her goal.

From there it was on to graduate work at Yale, where, even among her select and highly talented peers, she was regarded as something rare.

After graduation, Streep moved to New York City, and pursued theater with much success, earning a Tony nomination and an Obie award after only two years of professional work. Clearly her star was on the rise, and it was only a matter of time.

A.O. Scott of the New York Times once said that the best kind of movie is one that takes situations of character displeasure and which turns them into audience pleasure. To make the audience feel the discomfort of a character is pedestrian, but to feel joy through a



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Streep earned an Oscar nomination for her role in the 2004 film "Adaptation," in which she plays a successful but lonely writer who falls in love with the subject of a book she is writing.

character's sorrow, now that is transcendently cinematic.

And that is what has always been so incredible for me about Streep's acting. She embodies this idea to its core, and I always feel joy emanating from her on screen. All her best performances speak so fully of the human experience, flawed humans who are beautiful because

every one of her characters on screen.

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of their imperfections.

These qualities carry into her personal life as well. Of course, being a Hollywood star tends to be a very public affair in America, and yet, Streep has managed to keep her private life as it should be: private. Married to sculptor Don Gummer since the late 1970s, her family is never tabloid fodder. She always conducts herself with the self-respect and dignity evident in

as parents fighting a custody battle over their only son, won both of them deserved Oscars. In a small part Streep cuts deep, showing a woman aware of her needs but unsure of how to balance them with her responsibilities as a parent.

Also, in "The Deer Hunter," as a Pennsylvania small-town wife during the Vietnam War, her luminous presence is in full force in her first major film role.

But it was in the 1980s that Streep's star truly took off. Her

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## Chekhov show checks off opening night



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Seniors Jill Grunnah and Tauwan Patterson were among the performers in "Check-Off," a series of short performances based on the works of Anton Chekhov. "Check-Off," which is presented by the Department of Theater and Dance, will run again tonight and Saturday night in Memorial Hall, Wish Theater.

## Portland spoils shoppers rotten

by Monica Ruzicka and  
Vanessa Kitchen  
COLUMNISTS

It's the middle of the day, and you have decided to skip your two classes and take an adventure. You are in the car, driving the 25 minutes of scenic highway to Portland. A city of sophistication and elegance, Portland is the upscale destination of high-class shoppers, fine dining experts, and souls in need of elegant pampering and five-star service.

OK, so maybe not. Not even close. But it's all we've got, and once you go through the two-mile outlet mall that is Freeport, a trip to Portland begins to look a great deal more enticing. Recently, we did a little "important newspaper research" and discovered that some of the shops in Portland are nothing to turn your nose up at.

With a variety of places to choose from, it is easy to find what you need or want along the cobblestone of the Old Port. Hélène M. was our first stop, located next to a store specializing in Lily Pulitzer (we skipped that one). Hélène has a great array of jewelry and clothing—probably the best selection of the places that we visited. The clothing is slightly on the more conservative side, but it carries fashionable brands like Michael Stars, Three Dots, Lacoste, Juicy Couture, and Nicole Miller. From Juicy sweat suits to fine cashmere pullovers, you may not be able to find a top fit for Club JAX, but you will certainly be able to put together a nice outfit or two. The jewelry counter has everything from expensive pearls to trendy long beaded necklaces that are not too pricey. Don't miss the sale rack—there are lots of clothes and cute shoes on sale worth taking a look at. The only bad

part about this store is the service—the two salesgirls did not offer to help us, even when it was obvious that we were going to buy something. Go with an independent spirit and don't rely on the help of the girl at the counter.

Next we went to Betsy's, a similar boutique. Betsy's has more clothing to choose from, and better yet, it sells jeans—which you can wear to Club JAX. For a store in Maine, the denim selection is extremely fashion-forward. You can find go-to brands like Seven and Citizens of Humanity, as well as lesser-known and trendier jeans. Betsy's has a great selection of leather belts, scarves, gloves, and cashmere sweaters. Its jewelry at the

up from Betsy's. Bliss is weirdly laid out, with the racks stuffed with clothing in no particular organizational pattern. However, if you take the time to go through the clothes, the place proves to be worth checking out. Bliss carries a large selection of Susana Monaco spring line that has not hit major department stores or our favorite online shopping sites, so this place is perfect for all your Spring Break attire needs. It also carries t-shirts by Jake's Dry Goods boasting funny sayings about major cities, and tops by BCBG, Velvet, and Michael Stars, to name a few. Toward the counters are racks and racks of lingerie and accessories—the underwear selection is the best we've seen in Portland. The mixture of jewelry is fun, funky, and fairly inexpensive.

Overall, Portland's no New York or Boston, but it's worth the half-hour drive if

counter is fairly limited, but again, don't miss the sale rack—there are silky camisoles by Gold Hawk for 30 percent off, as well as other similarly discounted name brands.

Across the street from Betsy's is a new store that just opened this year, Spoil Me Rotten. While the clothing at Spoil Me Rotten is more on the matronly side, don't be discouraged. There are lots of cute and well-fitted, bright-colored ski sweaters and more variety as you get to the racks farther back in the store. The best thing about this store is the jewelry. They have cute watches and pretty earrings and necklaces—not to mention a whole tin of Hanky Pankys to choose from right by the cash register (impulse buy much?). If you're looking for a gift for a friend, a girlfriend, or yourself, head straight to the counter of Spoil Me Rotten.

Our last stop was Bliss, a few stores

you have a craving to burn a hole in your pocket. None of these stores are particularly cheap, and some of them are more on the expensive side. For girls, there are plenty of Gala dresses to be found, sassy jewelry, and going-out jeans, as well as clothes you could wear when meeting your boyfriend's parents for the first time. These stores have little to no selection for men, but guys, you will find this guide comes in handy to find your girl a gift for the next special occasion, whether it is an anniversary, holiday, or birthday present, or just a "Sorry I made out with that girl in front of you when I was drunk, don't be mad" gift. You'll have far better chances of putting yourself at the top of her list (or at least out of the doghouse) with a gift from Portland than one from the depths of the Bargain Basement in Brunswick. Happy shopping, everyone!

## Streep has walked long road to success

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dominance during this period was so complete that whenever there was a juicy, well-written role for women, she got it, almost without question. There was also the small matter of her name becoming synonymous with the words "world's greatest living actress."

The film that contributed most to that title, and which will always define her career, is "Sophie's Choice." Already a popular actress, Meryl became fluent in Polish, and revealed the depths of a person tortured by the Holocaust and its legacy. To me, this is one of the best acting performances in history. She so easily could have given into the histrionics of the role, but instead fulfilled the idea presented by A.O. Scott. When faced with describing this performance, words fail me and adjectives seem too trite. No understanding of Streep's brilliance will be complete without seeing this performance.

Throughout the rest of the decade Streep continued to turn out amazing, critically acclaimed performances: as a factory worker fearing chemical contamination in "Silkwood," a (plantation owner?) living in (where in Africa?) in love with Robert Redford in "Out of Africa," an unemotional mother who became a media scapegoat in "A Cry in the Dark," and as a homeless woman during the Depression alongside Jack Nicholson in "Ironweed."

Her fame was not limited to critical success either, as her six People's Choice Awards for favorite actress demonstrate. No actress before or since then has come close to equaling her run of non-stop cinematic dominance.

After a slight downturn in quantity of film roles, Streep experi-

enced a resurgence over the last few years, appearing in "The Hours," as well as "Adaptation" where she plays the author of a book Nicolas Cage is attempting to adapt. With this role she received her 13th supporting Actress nomination, making her the most nominated actor ever, male or female.

Her four roles in the TV miniseries "Angela in America" won her her fifth Golden Globe and second Emmy.

Over the next few years she has as many as seven films in production, most notably "A Prairie Home Companion," a film by Robert Altman about the most famous American radio show ever, as well as "Dirty Tricks," where she plays Martha Mitchell, the wife of the Attorney General during the Nixon administration, which could bring her a long-awaited third Oscar.

Considering how much I love her work, it is certainly a dream to one day finally meet Meryl Streep in person; I cannot tell you how overjoyed I would be. But regardless of whether that happens, whenever a new film of hers opens, this film lover will be in the front row, overjoyed at being able to see her up on the big screen doing what she does like no one else. Meryl, I love you.

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What is the best album ever created?

ES: Neutral Milk Hotel's "In the Aeroplane Over the Sea."

SB: "Yankee Hotel Foxtrot,"

by Wilco or maybe "Aha Shake Heartbreak," by Kings of Leon.

What's the best band to see live?

ES: I really like the Fiery Furnaces, but I always like the Fiery Furnaces, so I might be biased.

SB: Wilco.

What song pumps you up?

ES: Anything by Annie.

Norwegian pop is fun.

SB: "You Only Live Once,"

by The Strakes.

What song brings you down?

ES: I don't know...emo?

Bright Eyes?

SB: "She Paints Me Blue," by

Something Corporate, or any

other song that has unhappy memories attached to it.

If you were dictator of a small

country, what would be your

national anthem?

ES: "Strongest Man in the

World," by Menomena, to be

played to me every morning by

my adoring citizens.

SB: "Redemption Song," by

Bob Marley, or I'd make up my

own song.

If you were onstage with a

mic in front of thousands of

screaming fans, what would

you say?

ES: "Get me out of here." That

doesn't sound like a situation I'd

have entered into willingly.

SB: "I love you too."

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on "Roomie Rock," 10:00 a.m. to

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# SPORTS

## Basketball tops Tufts



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient  
Sophomore Marissa Berne dribbles past a Tufts defender in last Saturday's game. The Bears defeated Tufts 52-41.

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team overcame a challenging competitor, winning a tight game against Tufts University to ensure a spot in the NESCAC

semifinals this weekend.

Saturday's game began with two fouls called on Marissa Berne '08, confining her to the bench for the period and leaving the Polar Bears at an offensive disadvantage. With Tufts' strong defense, the Bears were not able to get off many shots.

At halftime, the Jumbos led by just one point, 25-24.

Refocusing at the halftime break, the Bowdoin team returned re-energized. Bowdoin defense held Tufts to just 16 points in the second half. The

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## Men's basketball drops in quarters

by Anna Karass  
ORIENT STAFF

The second-half charge from Bates in last Saturday's NESCAC quarterfinals ended the men's basketball team's three-game winning streak and knocked the Polar Bears out of NESCAC tournament play. The fourth-seeded Bobcats recovered from a 34-24 deficit at the half to squarely defeat fifth-seeded Bowdoin 67-51 in Saturday's game.

The Bears took the early lead off a three-point shot from sophomore Andrew Hippert. Hippert combined with senior Kyle Petrie and junior Kevin Bradley to post 31 points in

the first half for Bowdoin. In addition, Bowdoin's defense kept the Bobcats' lead scorer, junior Rob Stockwell, away from the hoop.

Sophomore Andrew Sargeantson started Bowdoin off with a basket in the second half, which Bates answered with a series of free throws. The Bobcats went on to shave Bowdoin's lead to just four points with 15 minutes remaining. Bates run on the basket forced the Bears to call a timeout to regroup. The timeout was to no avail, as the brief moment of respite only reenergized the Bobcats, who took their

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## Track places seventh

by Pat Pierce  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Track Team traveled to Cambridge on Friday to compete in the New England championships held at MIT. The Polar Bears displayed strength, speed, and stamina in the penultimate meet of the season, finishing ninth out of 25 teams.

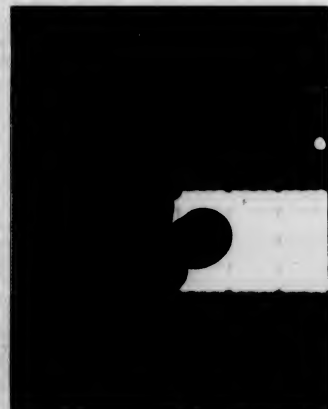
Junior Joe Adu led the charge for the sprinters on Saturday, capturing fifth place in the 55-meter hurdles, demonstrating his explosive power, shattering the final hurdle with his lead leg. In the 400-meter run, sophomore Brendan Egan gave the Bears another strong finish, taking seventh place in 51.53 seconds. First-year Damon Hall Jones capped off Bowdoin's success in the sprints, taking tenth place in the 200-meter dash.

Senior co-captain Patrick Lyons threw

46'10" in the shot put for eighth place. Lyons passed on the torch to first-year Luke Fairbanks, who finished right behind Lyons, for ninth place.

Junior Owen McKenna executed his strategy well in the mile race to

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Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

David Wagoner-Edwards '08 is a rookie pole vaulter.

## Swimmers make a splash at NESCAC championship



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Erin Turban finished 16th in the 100-yard butterfly at last weekend's NESCAC swimming and diving championships held at Greason Pool. The women took seventh place.



# Women's hockey loses at home to Elmira, Utica

by Anna Messerly  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Hockey Team finished off its regular season with a pair of tough losses to two visiting New York colleges. The team now has an overall 15-8-1 record, but is still 12-3-1 in the NESCAC.

Saturday, the squad faced off against Elmira in a non-conference game.

The first period saw the most action, with a flurry of five goals scored in the 20-minute span. The Elmira Soaring Eagles scored the first two of the contest, followed quickly by an unassisted goal by Bowdoin first-year Scooter Walsh. Kristen Cameron '08 tied the score at two apiece before Elmira popped one in at the end of the period.

In the second period, Walsh scored her second goal of the game and sixth of the season. Later in the period, Sam Stewart '09 scored her fifth goal of the season. However, the Bears were unable to recover from the Elmira goals in the second period and early in the third, ending the game 5-4 in Elmira's favor.

On Sunday afternoon, the Bears played the Utica Pioneers, once again skating a tough game. Down 2-0 going into the third period, the squad came back to lead 3-2, thanks to goals by Meghan Gillis '07, Katie Coyne '08, and Katie Forney '07.

But a Utica goal just before the buzzer forced the goal into overtime, with Utica scoring the game-winning goal two minutes into sudden death overtime.

Despite the losses, the Bears remain positive.

"We were disappointed with the outcome of this weekend's games because we felt that we were definitely the stronger team in both games," co-captain Kelsey Wilcox '06 said. "But they also gave us a lot of confidence that we can compete with the best teams in the nation going into playoffs."

The NESCAC playoffs start this weekend with a match against Connecticut Col-lege on Saturday afternoon. The Bears have posted 6-2 and 5-3 victories over the Camels this season.



First-year Scooter Walsh guides the puck toward the goal in Saturday's game against Elmira College. The Polar Bears lost 5-4.

Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The team knows what it is after this weekend, and how to win its first playoff game.

"We are looking forward to taking

the intensity we played with this weekend into our home ice advantage this Saturday against Connecticut College," Coyne said. "They

have a very good goalie, so we are focusing on perfecting our shots this week and striving for the back of the net."

## Trackster Emily Sheffield brings versatility and talent to team

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

Emily Sheffield '06 is one of the top middle-distance runners in New England, but you would never guess that from talking to her.

"She's got a terrific sense of perspective and humility. She's an old school athlete," Bowdoin cross country and track coach Peter Slovenski.

However, the senior's humility off the track dwarfs her success on it. Sheffield has dominated opponents all season long, running and winning everything from the 400 through 1000 meters. Her skill across a broad spectrum of events has added tremendous depth and strength to Bowdoin track.

"Emily makes us a better team with her range as a runner. She has the speed to be an All-New England runner at everything [she runs]," Slovenski added.

Sheffield began running when she was in eighth grade. Sheffield also played field hockey and basketball in high school, but she decided to focus solely on running when she arrived at Bowdoin.

In her first year, Sheffield ran cross country and two seasons of track. Although Sheffield left the trails after her first year of cross country, she continues to compete in both indoor and outdoor track.

"I wasn't a long distance runner," she said.

Sheffield believes that her work ethic and dedication to Bowdoin track stems more from the notion of "running for the team" than competing for personal success, a feeling she attributes to the close bonds her teammates have formed with

one another.

"I love the girls on the team," she said.

This indoor track season has been Sheffield's most successful. Despite training tirelessly during the off-season, she credits her achievement to a more relaxed, focused approach to competing.

"I just don't put as much pressure on myself as I used to. There is no point in getting anxious or nervous. I just go out there and run," she said.

Sheffield has run many impressive races this season. Two weeks ago, Sheffield sped to an amazing 1:37.83 finish in the 600 meters, breaking the school record.

At the Maine State Meet, Sheffield won the 800 meters, running an impressive 2:20.37.

Just last weekend at the Division III New England, she shaved more than four seconds off her already impressive time.

Slovenski recognizes her mental composure and strategy.

"Emily never gets rattled, and she makes intelligent moves during her races. She's fearless and daring, and has a great finishing kick," he added.

Sheffield has also been a strong role model for the team's younger runners. First-year Lindsey Schickner, who also runs middle distance, is grateful for the advice she has received from her friend and teammate.



Courtesy of Jessie DePalo

Emily Sheffield '06 has been a strong presence on the team for four years, competing in a variety of events.

"I really admire her for her hard work and talent. She is proof that dedication pays off. She gives me race strategies and says that the most important way to do well is to stay relaxed and confident," Schickner said.

Sheffield, an anthropology major, isn't sure how running will shape her plans after graduation.

"I'd like to eventually run a marathon, or train for a triathlon," she said. Nonetheless Sheffield is looking forward to a chance to catch her breath.

"After the spring season, I'm going to be ready to take a break," she said.

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# Track takes third

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Track Team exceeded expectations, placing fourth out of 22 teams at the Division III New England. The Bears finished just behind track powerhouses Williams, Tufts, and Amherst.

Junior Louise Duffus posted the most points for the team, taking second in the weight throw and fifth in the shot put.

"Louise has been our high scorer all season," head coach Peter Slovenski said. "She does her best in the biggest meets, and she led us to a great team effort in the championship last Saturday."

First-years Kelsey Borner and Chelsea Jackson joined Duffus in the throwing events, gaining valuable competing experience.

On the track, first-years Ali Chase, Lynne Tempest, and Jess Sokolow made the 600 meters the highest-scoring event for the Bears.

Chase captured second place, breaking the 600-meter school record posted by teammate Emily Sheffield '06 just a week earlier. Tempest pulled in an eighth-place finish.

The 800 meters boasted a very competitive field with the first five finishers all qualifying for nationals. Sheffield captured fifth place, finishing 2:16.61. Teammate Amy Ahearn '08 broke 2:20 for the second meet in a row, taking seventh place. In the 1,000 meters Laura Onderko '08 took ninth place.

In jumping, sophomore Alyssa Chen pulled in more points for the Bears, clearing 10'1" in pole vault, a new personal best, for sixth place overall. Erin Prifogle '07 tied her personal best in the high jump, giving the Bears another sixth place. Prifogle continued her success in the 55-meter hurdles, placing eighth.

"We got a boost in the hurdles when Erin Prifogle cut 0.20 seconds off her personal best. That was one of the most outstanding performances of the day for Bowdoin," Slovenski said.

Competing in four events for the Bears, the 55-meter hurdles, the long jump, the 400 meters in the Distance Medley Relay (DMR), and the 4x400-meter relay, senior Emily Hackert had the busiest day of all the women. Fellow senior Ruth Jacobson had two personal bests, finishing 14th in the 200 meters and 10th in the 55-meter dash.

First-years Alison Pilon, Alex Keeney, and Molly Seaward gained experience and demonstrated their future potential at the meet. Pilon added a personal best to Bowdoin's

tally, taking 11th in the 400 meters. Keeney and Seaward competed in the triple jump, taking 15th and 20th, respectively.

Adding to the Bears' strong individual performances were Bowdoin's spectacular relay finishes, which secured Bowdoin's position in the top four.

The 4x200m team of Jessie DePalo '08, Sokolow, Seaward, and Karl Barber '06, ran their fastest time of the season. In addition, the 4x400-meter, 4x800-meter, and DMR teams all finished in the top four.

The DMR team of Courtney Eustace '08, Hackert, Tempest, and Onderko started off the meet with a fourth place finish. The 4x400m team pulled in another fourth place with Hackert, Gina Campelia '07, Sheffield, and Pilon running for Bowdoin. Eustace came back to run in her second relay of the meet, teaming up with Sokolow, Ahearn, and Chase, to capture second place, edging Amherst out by 0.02 seconds.

The women will travel down to Boston University today and Saturday, facing strong competition in the Open New England Championships.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

School	Final NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Amherst	8	1	23	2
Trinity	7	2	18	5
Tufts	6	3	20	5
Bates	6	3	20	5
BOWDOIN	5	4	18	9
Williams	5	4	17	8
Colby	4	5	11	14
Conn. College	3	6	13	11
Middlebury	1	8	12	12
Wesleyan	0	9	6	17

**SCOREBOARD**  
Sa 2/18 at Bates (NESCAC L 87-51 First-Round)

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

School	Final NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Bates	8	1	18	7
BOWDOIN	6	1	22	2
Wesleyan	7	2	18	6
Williams	7	2	21	4
Amherst	4	5	10	15
Trinity	3	8	8	15
Tufts	3	8	10	13
Colby	2	7	10	15
Middlebury	2	7	14	10
Conn. College	1	8	9	15

**SCOREBOARD**  
Sa 2/18 v. Tufts (NESCAC W 52-41 First-Round)

**SCHEDULE**  
Sa 2/25 v. Wesleyan (NESCAC Semi-finals, at Bates) 4:00 P.M.

## MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

	NESCAC			Overall		
School	W	L	T	W	L	T
Middlebury	16	2	1	20	2	2
Williams	13	3	3	14	8	3
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	10	6	3	15	6	3
Colby	11	7	1	15	8	1
Trinity	9	7	3	12	9	3
Amherst	9	9	1	12	11	1
Hamilton	6	9	2	10	11	3
Wesleyan	6	9	4	7	12	4
Tufts	6	11	2	9	12	3
Conn. College	3	15	1	4	19	1

**SCOREBOARD**  
F 2/17 v. Norwich W 2-0  
Sa 2/18 v. St. Michael's W 7-0

**SCHEDULE**  
Sa 2/25 v. Amherst (NESCAC Quarterfinals) 4:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

**SCOREBOARD**  
Sa 2/18 at New England Dills 4th of 25

**SCHEDULE**  
F 2/24- Open New England's (BU) 5:00 P.M.  
Sa 2/25 England's (BU)

## MEN'S SQUASH

**SCOREBOARD**  
F 2/17 Team Nationals (at Princeton) 6th of 8  
(Hoehn Division)

## MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

**SCHEDULE**  
F 2/24- NESCACs 8:00 A.M.  
Su 2/26 (at Williams)

## WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

School	NESCAC			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Middlebury	15	1	0	22	2	0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	12	3	1	15	6	1
Williams	11	4	1	13	10	1
Colby	9	6	1	14	7	1
Hamilton	8	10	0	10	13	1
Amherst	8	10	0	10	14	0
Conn. College	4	10	2	6	12	4
Trinity	3	11	2	7	12	2
Wesleyan	2	13	1	2	19	2

**SCOREBOARD**  
Sa 2/18 v. Elmira L 5-4  
Su 2/19 v. Utica L 4-3

**SCHEDULE**  
F 2/25 v. Connecticut College (NESCAC First-Round) 1:00 P.M.

## MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

**SCOREBOARD**  
F 2/17- at New England Dills (MIT) 9th of 25  
Sa 2/18

**SCHEDULE**  
F 2/24- Open New England's (BU) 5:00 P.M.  
Sa 2/25 England's (BU)

## WOMEN'S SQUASH

**SCHEDULE**  
F 2/24 Team Nationals (at Harvard) TBA

## WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

**SCOREBOARD**  
Sa 2/17 NESCACs (at Bowdoin) 7th of 11

- Compiled by Adam Kommel. Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC.

# Hockey ices St. Michael's and Norwich

Men's hockey finishes third in the NESCAC

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

Bring on the Boston University Terriers. Contact the Boston Bruins if that seems like a more suitable match up. After Bowdoin Men's Hockey Team's weekend sweep, the Bears seem ready for anything. The Polar Bears secured a 13th-place ranking in Division III and snatched third place in the NESCAC.

Spectators saw Bowdoin's best hockey of the season with the Bears defeating St. Michael's and Norwich.

"All the guys are starting to hit their stride and I think that was pret-

ty evident in last week's games," sophomore Greg McConnell said of his team's weekend performance.

The weekend's most impressive match was against Norwich, one of the best teams in the country. Bowdoin saved its best playing of the year for its most challenging matchup.

The team used quick and skillful skating to overwhelm Norwich, a team that had previously beaten Middlebury, the same Middlebury that thrashed Bowdoin 9-1.

Although senior goalkeeper George Papachristopoulos and his defense shined throughout the game, it was not until the final period that the offense came alive, scoring twice in a 76 second span. The winning goal came from Captain Adam Dann '06

on a power play. Fellow senior Andy Nelson followed with a dazzling one-on-one goal to put the game away for Bowdoin.

Bowdoin was quickly in control of the St. Michael's game, outplaying opponents from the very first face off.

The team constantly peppered St. Michael's in the net in the first period, but could not convert any shots into points until the middle frame. Once Bowdoin opened its account, the team quickly put the game away, scoring four goals in four minutes and ultimately destroying St. Michael's, 7-0. The Polar Bears got two goals from their on-fire Dann, as well as goals from Tim McVaugh '07, Jon Landry '06, Mike Westerman '08, Ged Wieschhoff '06,

and finally James Gadon '07.

Once again, Papachristopoulos shined, securing a place in the record books for record shutouts, tallying his fourth and fifth of the season. The talented net minder also received NESCAC Player of the Week honors.

Papachristopoulos will surely be the team's most indispensable asset going into this weekend's playoff showdown against rival Amherst. Especially because spectators, who have only witnessed him in goal for the last 137:48 minutes of Bowdoin hockey, they will find it hard to believe that he cannot stop everything. That is 137:48 more than two hours and 15 minutes or just under seven periods without letting a shot go by. Despite his accomplishments, Papachristopoulos remains modest.

"The record was great but a lot of the credit goes to the guys playing in front me. Breaking the record this weekend was even better because my mother was able to make both games and she hasn't been able to make many over the years," he said.

The successful end to the regular season ensured a home game in the first round of the playoffs. Hopefully the influence of Dayton Arena will prove significant as it has the last six-game span where the team is undefeated.

Dann likes his team's chances in the first round on Saturday.

"I think we have an advantage over Amherst for many different reasons," he said.

# Bball ends season 16-9

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first lead of the game with a one-point advantage. Within minutes, Bates had deepened Bowdoin's deficit, taking a 44-37 lead. In a last-ditch attempt to slow the Bobcats, Bowdoin players called a second timeout, but it was too late. The Bears fell to Bates for the second time this season. It was Bowdoin's second NESCAC quarterfinal appearance in two years.

The Bears close out their season with a 16-9 overall record an improvement over last season's 13-12 finish. Bates will face top-seeded Amherst this weekend in the semifinals.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior forward Matt Roy tries to go for the puck in last Saturday's game against St. Michael's. The Polar Bears won 7-0.

## Squash finishes 14th at nationals

The men's squash team concludes the season with a 10-9 record, moving up one spot from last year

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Squash Team solidified its 14th-place ranking during nationals at Princeton.

The men finished sixth of eight teams in the B division (the Hoehn Cup division) last weekend, falling to Amherst and Bates 7-2, but successfully pulling off another 5-4 win against the Navy squad, a close competitor.

"Our first match against Amherst on Friday morning was tough," captain Bruce Saltzman '06 said. "There were a lot of hard-fought matches, but we could not seem to pull it together."

The Polar Bears did manage to pull it together for their second match on Saturday. The Bears narrowly defeated Navy avenging last year's loss to the team at nationals and ensuring an improvement in the team's end-of-season ranking.

Although Sunday offered the Bowdoin men another chance to defeat rival Bates, the Polar Bears were unable to beat the Bobcats for the fifth time this season.

"It definitely could have gone either way," Saltzman said. "Each game of every match was very long, hard-fought, and extremely intense. Literally two or three points our way could have changed the entire outcome of the match."

Despite this loss, the men are satisfied with their season.

"I believe that we accomplished most of our goals," senior Bryant Rich said. "Our freshmen came along well as players and as team members."

The men ended their season 10-9, moving up one spot in the national rankings since last year.

"I'm really proud of how our team competed this year," sophomore Jacob Sack added. "We were relentless at practice and really fought for each other during matches."

Much of the leadership on the team came from its four seniors, Chris Metcalf, Rich, and co-captains Saltzman and Nick Adams.

"Our senior class will be greatly missed. They are top notch guys who brought leadership, fun, and a ton of squash ability to our team," Sack said.

Women's squash will play its nationals tournament this weekend at Harvard.

Although the season is over for most of the men, its top few players will play in the individual nationals at Amherst from March 3 to 5.

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## Women's hoops set to play Wesleyan



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior Katie Cummings dribbles past a Tufts defender in Saturday's game.

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Polar Bears' offense kept up with the Jumbos, tying the score at 31 with less than 15 minutes remaining in the game. From there, the Bears kicked things up a notch, scoring eight consecutive points, putting them securely in the lead.

Tufts, however, wasn't ready to give up that easily. The two teams traded baskets as the clock dwindled. With less than one minute remaining in the game, Berne landed a three-pointer to turn things around. After several free-throw opportunities, the Polar Bears finished off Tufts 52-41, a victory that qualified the Polar Bears to the NESCAC semifinals.

Junior Eileen Flaherty was the top scorer with 14 points, and Justine Pouravelis '06 made her presence felt with seven points, nine rebounds, four steals, and four assists.

This coming Saturday, the second-seeded Bears will face third-seeded Wesleyan in an away game at Bates.

"Tufts played a great game and really took us to the wire," Katie

Cummings '07 said.

"They were strong and balanced, but in some ways it is good to have a challenging game in the first round. This weekend is going to be very big for us, and we are looking forward to the challenge," she said. "The 105-degree gym will remind us of our days in Puerto Rico. Wesleyan is a really talented team. We can only hope to contain them and play our game."

The win at home against Tufts was the 68th consecutive home victory for Bowdoin, putting the Bears just one victory away from matching the UConn women's New England record.

The NESCAC semifinals will be held in Bates's Alumni Gymnasium. Bates, the top seed, will face Williams at 2 p.m. Saturday, followed by the Bowdoin-Wesleyan match at 4 p.m. More tickets may be released to Bowdoin's athletic department today. Bates will be selling tickets today at Alumni Gymnasium in Lewiston, Maine. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for children.

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# Swimming and diving finish seventh in NESCAC

by Katie Yankura  
STAFF WRITER

The women's swimming and diving team completed its season this past weekend, finishing seventh at the NESCAC Conference Championships held at Bowdoin's Greason pool. Williams College captured the NESCAC title for the sixth year in a row. Middlebury claimed second place, followed by Amherst in third place.

The Polar Bear's seventh-place finish, a significant improvement

over their 10th-place finish at NESCACs last year, put them well ahead of close competitors Wesleyan and Bates, who finished ninth and 10th, respectively.

Head coach Brad Burnham was pleased with his team's performance.

"The perfect end to the best season we have had here in a long time. Everyone was so positive and fought for every place and point we earned," he said.

Sophomores Katie Chapman and Megan McLean were Bowdoin's high scorers with Chapman con-

tributing a second place in the 200-yard freestyle, a seventh in the 200-yard individual medley, and eighth-place finish in the 100-yard free. McLean took third in the 50-yard freestyle, eighth in the 200-yard freestyle, and fourth place in the 100-yard free.

Chapman and McLean, joined by Aubrey Sharman '06, and Jessica Horskotte '08, led Bowdoin to a fifth-place finish in the 800 free relay. Horskotte and fellow sophomore Carrie Roble also had key performances in the individual

races. Horskotte swam to a fourth-place finish in the 400-yard individual medley, placed 11th in the 1000-yard freestyle, and 13th in the 500-yard free. Roble claimed fifth place in the 50-yard butterfly, breaking the previous school record, set in 1991, with a time of 26.78 seconds.

Senior Victoria Tudor excelled in the diving competition, finishing the one-meter diving competition just two points behind the winner from Middlebury. Tudor recovered from the loss and came back even

stronger, dominating the rest of the field in the three-meter competition on Sunday, earning Bowdoin's only first-place finish of the meet with a final score of 445.15. Tudor's score broke the school's 2001 record of 423.9 points. In addition, Tudor was recognized as Best Senior Diver and Diver of the Meet and will compete in the Division III National Competition in Minnesota next month.

Tudor took the meet in stride.

"I went into the three-meter competition hoping to have fun. I hadn't performed as well as I had hoped on one-meter on Friday, so I was just looking to compete and smile for Saturday and Sunday events. I was thrilled and honored to win the Senior Diver Award and the Diver of the Meet at NESCACs. As for Nationals, I am looking to have a good time. More than anything, it will be an experience and an honor to compete with the top Division III divers."

Diving coach Harvey Wheeler was pleased with Tudor's performance and has high expectations for the Nationals.

"My greatest joy was to see Tori shine. She has worked very hard this season. I have never coached a more deserving winner," he said. "My goal [for Nationals] is to do all I can to keep Tori relaxed and focused on her skills. If she is able to keep that smile glowing, she could come home as a first team All-American."

Wheeler also earned recognition as the Diving Coach of the Meet.

The men will look to improve upon last season's 10th-place finish at their NESCACs this weekend at Williams. After such a strong finish for the women, Burnham is optimistic about the men's prospects.

"I think [the men] are really ready to swim fast after watching the women swim so fast," he said.

## Track fields best finish in three years

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capture fourth place in 4:17.68 minutes. Sophomore Nate Krah ran the 5000-meter race in 15:21 minutes for sixth place. Fellow sophomore Tyler Lonsdale was close behind, taking 10th place. Sophomore Eric Lee demonstrated his maturity as a distance runner, finishing eighth in the 600-meter run in 1:24.59 minutes.

The relays were once again the strongest events for the Polar Bears. The 4x400 team put together four solid legs to capture fifth place in 3:38.56 minutes.

In the 4x800 relay, the men ran a blazing 8:01.3 for third place, lapping the competition in their heat and catching the timers off guard. Relay anchor McKenna crossed the finish line before timing officials could turn on the automatic timing system, forcing the officials to rely on Ken Akiha '08, who was timing his teammates with a stopwatch.

The Polar Bears are completing their most successful track season in three years with a strong placing at the DIII New England Championship. They will compete in their final meet today and Saturday against athletes of all divisions in the Open New England championship held at Boston University.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Divestment could open a 'Pandora's box'

To the Editors:

I urge the Bowdoin community to strongly consider the points made by Nathan Chaffetz '08 regarding divestment. While there is no question that egregious violations of human rights such as genocide in Sudan and apartheid in South Africa require swift action, the very idea of holding our endowment to the ubiquitous "socially responsible" standard leaves a certain Pandora's box open to moods and motivations of

special interest groups. It is correct to place our belief in the common good above financial gain. However, sacrificing growth for the subjective notion of social responsibility is far too detrimental to be done without deliberate and thorough examination.

Sincerely,

Steven E. Bartus '08

### V-Day is not about politics

To the Editors:

V-Day is a global movement that helps raise awareness about violence against women and young girls, not a political organization. Sexual violence does not follow party lines. The

Vagina Monologues may be blunt about issues that are normally thought to be taboo. But it is this bluntness that exposes how sexual violence and its surrounding issues affect all members of society—be it in this community or worldwide.

The effort to politicize V-Day not only clouds the goals of this organization, but victimizes the individuals and the organizations V-Day supports. We ask you to support V-Day, support victims of sexual violence, and break the silence.

Sincerely,

Whitney Hogan '07

Gwenn Hollingworth '06

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Directors of the Vagina Monologues

## Take action on investments

by Sam Minot  
CONTRIBUTOR

Nate Chaffetz's op/ed last week "Think twice before divesting," exemplified much of the confusion that arises when we talk about sweatshops, divestment, and socially-responsible investing. To start with a minor point, a sweatshop is not a place where "laborers work longer hours at lower wages than prevail in developed countries." We do not expect factory owners in Vietnam to pay their workers what it costs to live in the United States, and surely that is not what Chaffetz meant. A sweatshop is a place where workers are forced to work long hours and are paid less than that country's living wage. Working conditions are dangerous and frequently cause injury and death, and attempts to speak out or organize are met with intimidation

and violence. Bowdoin is currently working with the Worker Rights Consortium, a non-profit organization that monitors working conditions in foreign factories, to make sure that the companies we buy from for the Bowdoin Bookstore meet certain basic human rights standards. Instead of taking money out of these countries' economies, we are funneling it toward factories that pay a living wage and respect their workers' rights. This is a good first step in the right direction.

However, Bowdoin does not spend the bulk of its money buying hoodies and flip-flops. Where we have a much larger impact is in how we use the endowment. Like it or not, the way we invest our money has an impact on the rest of society, and at half-billion dollars that impact is not negligible. Not only can we make a change by choosing what companies

to invest in, but as stockholders we can call for reform within a company through shareholder resolutions. That means we have a say in how a business is run and can make our voice heard.

Another misconception about socially responsible investing is that it would "impair our ability to competitively invest our money." Believe me, I understand and wholeheartedly support the growth and profitability of the endowment, and we need not put that at risk in any way. As Debbie Wissel '03 pointed out in her letter last week, there is actually a financial incentive for responsible investing, since a high level of social responsibility generally indicates a higher quality of management. In fact, in 2005, Innovest's 100 Most Sustainable Companies outperformed the MSCI World Index by 7.11 percent. We don't have to be any less competitive to be socially responsible.

By far, the most important issue here is that socially responsible action is not easy to define. Almost everyone who has spoken on this issue has pointed out that what's ethical for some isn't always ethical for all. Some say we should not invest in companies involved in Darfur; others say that such action would only further impoverish the region and exacerbate the situation. Most would agree that we should invest in order to further the common good, but everyone will have a different answer as to what that means.

Should we stop now that we find there is disagreement? Should we leave well enough alone, and not risk hurting anyone's feelings? I say no. We should have the debate as a school and take responsibility for our effect on the world. We should be secure in the knowledge that our scholarships were not paid for by exploitation or brutality. We should know if our investments support the genocide in Darfur. We should be proud that Bowdoin is a force for good in the world in every possible way. The first step toward this goal would be the recreation of an advisory committee made up of students, faculty, and staff to investigate the ethical nature of our investments. We need a public forum where we can debate and discuss these topics, and that body needs the authority to make suggestions to the administration and the Board of Trustees. At Bowdoin we talk a lot about the common good, and it's time we took action.

## Media are misdirected

### You Got Conserved

by Will Hales  
COLUMNIST

There are two new reasons that the world is going to Hell in a hand basket: 1) Kevin Federline's new single, "Popozo," and 2) mainstream media have successfully spent an entire week covering Vice President Dick Cheney's hunting accident.

Every pundit and comedian in the country has been taking shots at Cheney (kinda like that one) for an entire week, alleging a cover-up, intentional deception, and arguing that this proves the Bush administration's propensity for sowing lies. The coverage of this accident, however, speaks to a problem greater than the vice president's aim.

I have made clear my disgust for the state of party politics in this era. Today, there is little debate of issues; rather, party leaders and candidates alike stick with their platforms, content to merely blast

their opponents with little more than slander and libel, without listening to what the other side is saying. While the study of the increasing polarization of American political parties is best left to political scientists, I am inclined to believe that one contributing factor to American political inanity is the media.

The past year has seen the mainstream media of the United States sink to a new low, in terms of the content offered to the American people and the increasingly blurred lines between news and commentary. Indeed, much of the content

Indeed, much of the content on U.S. news networks are not news at all, but instead commentary on news.

One of the most significant issues to arise in the past year has been the impartiality of major news outlets; Democrats cry foul every time Fox News is mentioned, while Republicans level their broadsides at, well, everyone else. The media's role in the everyday world is no longer objective when the news service becomes the story, and in the Cheney accident, we see exactly that.

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# Read this if you wish to survive the invasion

## These Revelations Will Not Be Televised

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Are you a regular reader of the Orient? If you are, then you probably already know: We've got aliens.

Exhibit A: Item one of the February 17 installment of the Orient news section's "Bowdoin Briefs" reads, and I quote: "A mysterious design in the snow appeared early this week on the Quad and left members of the Bowdoin community baffled as to how it got there. While some wrote it off as the work of student pranksters, others suggested that extraterrestrial forces might be involved."

Need any more evidence? Didn't think so.

In light of this disquieting development, I will ask that you take certain precautions before you continue reading this column:

First, fashion a helmet out of tinfoil and wear it at all times. I think I saw someone do it in a movie once, and it kept the aliens from reading the guy's thoughts. Although we can't be sure that these are the same aliens, it would be an unnecessary and foolish risk at this point not to wear foil helmets. Plus, I have a hunch these are the same guys.

Second, I want you to (inconspicuously!) scan your immediate surroundings for alien spies. Look for "humans" with loose skin, especially around the face and neck. According to the 1997 film "Men in Black," aliens can extract a person's skeleton and viscera without damaging his epidermis, and then effectively disassemble as that person without any suggestive evidence beyond loose skin—and I'm pretty sure "Men in Black" was a documentary.

Also, if you see a "person" that you think you may have seen somewhere else recently, that "person" is almost certainly an alien doppelganger. Destroy him by any means necessary. "What if I just happened to see them in two different places by coincidence?" you might ask. "I don't want to fool my friend!"

You native fool! In this post-2/17 world, violating the rights of innocent people is a necessary sacrifice. If we let human ethics cloud our interstellar counter-aggression policies, the aliens win!

But there's no time for squabbling; time is not our friend. You must pay close attention:

Realizing that most of my strategies for fending off extraterrestrial invaders came from vague recollections of cinema, I ran a Google search for "how to avoid alien abduction" (don't worry, I covered my computer in tinfoil, too). It led me to a web log, InChelsea.com, where alien expert Melinda Leslie has listed ways to tell whether a person has been abducted. Here are few symptoms that I found particularly alarming:

1) "You have a cosmic awareness, an interest in ecology, environment, vegetarianism, or are very socially conscious."

Is it just me, or does this describe roughly nine out of every 10 Bowdoin students? This is much worse than I thought. At this point, I am forced to assume that the majority of my classmates are aliens. That means they

have access to this newspaper! Luckily, bearers of the aforementioned attributes probably junked their copy of the Orient after reading whatever the brothers Linhart contributed this week.

2) "You have awoken in another place than where you went to sleep, or don't remember going to sleep."

Another seine. I recall that not too long ago, a friend of mine awoke on the floor of Crack House in a pool of old beer and saliva (and God knows what else) without remembering how he got there. Is he an alien, or did he just drink too much? Assuming that a responsible Bowdoin student would have more sense than to drink more than he could handle, I am forced to conclude the former.

3) "You have had sexual or relationship problems, such as an odd 'feeling' that you must not become involved in a relationship because it would interfere with 'something.'"

I can now confirm that all girls I've ever hit on at Bowdoin are aliens. What a relief!

4) "You have an extreme aversion toward the subject of UFOs or aliens—you don't want to talk about it."

I don't know about anyone else, but every time I've tried to propose the idea of alien involvement in current or historical world affairs, my professor has disregarded my comment and dismissed me from the class. This means they've infiltrated the faculty. I guess that would explain all the loose skin...

Lastly, and I'm not kidding about this:

5) "You have awoken with soreness in your genitals which can not be explained."

So anyone who has ever written in to the "Ask Dr. Jeff" column is an alien.

As you can see, this leaves us with very few allies. But what we lack in numbers, we shall make up for in cunning! I returned to my foil-encased laptop to research the next step: deciphering the crop circles.

In pursuit of this goal, I stumbled across some published interviews with a man named Steve Canada, who quit his job as a social worker to take on a far more important job as an interplanetary communications cryptologist. For over a decade, Canada has conducted chemical and cryptological analyses of crop circles and has authored 28 books on alien-human interaction. With regards to deciphering meaning from the patterns, his work has yielded...

Absolutely nothing. Thanks, Steve Canada.

I guess that leaves interpreting the Bowdoin phenomenon up to me. The sign on the Quad comprises three concentric circles, each bearing a different color. It seems obvious that this is some sort of practice-target for an apocalyptic death ray that the aliens will eventually aim at major cities. We should notify the Pentagon immediately—in the meantime, I advise you not to venture into the inner rings unless you want to be zapped into oblivion.

That's all I can tell you for now. We have no way of knowing when the aliens will strike next, so just lay low in your tinfoil fortresses and await further instructions.

And for those aliens who might be reading, rest assured that I am actually an alien myself, and I am using the print news media to help flush out subversive humans.

(I think that bought us some time. Vive la résistance!)

# Allow gay couples to adopt

by Theo Salter  
CONTRIBUTOR

There are times when I read the news and feel like I'm taking freaking crazy pills. You may or may not know that there are currently around 520,000 foster children in the United States, and of those, over 120,000 are available for adoption. Sadly, only about 50,000 of these children are taken into homes each year. So why, one might ask, are 16 separate states discussing—or in some cases already drafting—bills that would ban gay and lesbian couples from adopting?

In American politics, the answer is rarely simple and practically never has a single angle, but I think this is one of those rare—and in my opinion absolutely ludicrous—issues where we

can break down the reasons why conservatives are bringing it to the legislative table.

The first reason can be summed up by the response of President George W. Bush to the question of, "What political philosopher or

*It seems conservative Americans are trying to impose fundamentalist morals on a nation built on a foundation of freedom of speech, belief and religion.*

thinker do you most identify with and why?" The response is somewhat infamous but I'll do everyone the courtesy of reprinting it here, "Christ, because he changed my heart."

I'm not going to get into the debate about whether Christ was a political philosopher or not, but considering the first amendment's separation of church and state, I

personally don't believe that Christ's political thoughts are the ones the leader of the "free world" should be taking most to heart. I don't think even Carter or Reagan were as appreciated by the Christian Right as is our current

God-fearing President. The bottom line is that under the umbrella of his administration, Christian conservatives—especially fundamentalists—have become extremely brazen in raising their concerns about abortion, gay marriage, and now the right of gays and lesbians to adopt children.

Now don't get me wrong, I am not preaching against Christianity, but, more than ever, it seems conservative Americans are trying to impose fundamentalist morals on a nation built on a foundation of freedom of speech, belief and religion. The argument that gay and lesbian actions are sinful and thus leading our nation away from God sounds like a sentiment that might have been around during the Spanish Inquisition.

America has already denied gay couples the right to marry, violating—in my humble opinion—the 14th Amendment which reads: "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

I understand that "marriage" is primarily a religious institution, but to deny couples the same tax breaks and benefits enjoyed by heterosexual couples seems to directly contradict the Constitution. Anyway, that fight was settled with the 2004 election so let's get back to the topic of adoption.

The truth of the matter is that there is no evidence that gay and lesbian couples raise children any worse than heterosexual couples. While some Christian groups deny this, I would like to point out that out of the 120,000 children up for adoption this year I doubt most were born to homosexual couples, and the majority were born to heterosexuals who then decided—for whatever reasons—against raising their own offspring. With the exception of Florida, gay singles can already adopt children all over the United States, so what exactly is the argument that one responsible parent is worse than two? Already in America there are over 250,000 children being raised by gay couples, with five percent, or 12,500 being classified as adopted.

There are better ways the government could and should be spending its time and energy: finding faster ways to rebuild the city and society of New Orleans, finding a peaceful solution to Iran before we commence bombing and kill thousands more innocent civilians, or perhaps take another real stab at health care?

The more we allow religious groups to petition for social laws, the more we step away from the initial dream of our forefathers who hoped for a country in which American citizens can pursue their own lives without undue interference by government under religious pretenses.

## Voicing opinions is not media's job

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The correspondents of the White House press corps were supremely perturbed that they were not literally the first to hear about the accident. Valid justifications that the family of the victim had not been notified and that the announcement to the press was the responsibility of the property owner were cast aside in favor of the shock and awe that the local newspaper was the recipient of the press release. In the week following the accident itself, it seemed as though more news coverage focused on the White House cover-up and stonewalling of the media than on the accident itself, or more importantly, on the condition of Harry Whittington.

By no means is this, the first, nor the most significant, example of the media's virtual surrender of objectivity. During the coverage of Hurricane Katrina, major networks discovered that so-called "emotional journalism" boosted their ratings. I'll admit that nothing gets me informed like Geraldo Rivera pushing an Air Force pararescueman out of the way so that the world could watch a correspondent help an old lady into a helicopter, but one doesn't often see embedded journalists grabbing rifles from soldiers in Iraq.

No, objectivity went out the window when the giants of media began to see their ratings as perpetual elections cycles. Anderson Cooper crying about the lack of a federal response in New Orleans and Nancy Grace calling persons accused of a crime guilty are not news—they are great television. Journalists should no longer be

held aloft in the rare air surrounding clergy, lawyers, and physicians; their motives are no longer pure and for the benefit of the masses.

Chalk up another reason we should be grateful for our humanities professors, who regularly help us to better interrogate the sources of our information. There is little in the news media today that can be absorbed without first considering the network on which it is aired or the newspaper in which it is printed.

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I strongly believe that opinion should be left to those whose profession is not concerned with the delivery of fact. The College Democrats can feel free to deliver slanderous drivel on Bowdoin Cable Network, just as the College Republicans can deliver offensive media blitzes for guest speakers under the guise of constructive campus discussion. I don't like it, but they don't have the same journalistic obligations as news outlets.

There's a great deal I don't know about journalism and politics. While we're on the subject of stuff I don't know, I don't claim to understand K-Fed's emergence onto the world music scene, or Briney Spears' tolerance of K-Fed, or for that matter, her decision to marry him and mother his child. However, I do know that we, in an era in which media saturates our existence (Alec Baldwin has a blog, in which he calls Cheney a terrorist), are owed the luxury of having a mainstream media that sets the standard for journalistic integrity and objectivity. That would be a step in the right direction.

## Write a letter to the Editors!



Send submissions to [orientopinion@bowdoin.edu](mailto:orientopinion@bowdoin.edu).



## WEEKLYCALENDAR

February 24-March 2

## Friday

**Common Hour**

Attend a speech by Salman Rushdie, author of the controversial "The Satanic Verses," the book that caused an uproar among Muslims due to its allegedly disrespectful depiction of the prophet Muhammad.

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

**Shabbat Candle Lighting**

Johnson House, 5:30 p.m.

**Vagina Monologues**

Come to this play performed by women to raise awareness for violence against women. Cocktail party in Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall, following performance.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

**"Check-Off"**

Attend a performance of collaborative interpretations of several short works by Anton Chekhov.

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
7-9 p.m.

**Film: "What a Love Got To Do With It"**

Celebrate Black History Month and watch this film about how singer Tina Turner rose to stardom in spite of her abusive husband Ike Turner and gained the courage to break free.

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

A wren perches on a branch along the banks of the Androscoggin River.

## Saturday

**Vagina Monologues**

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
7 p.m.

**"Check-Off"**

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 7-9 p.m.

**Longfellow Days**

"Let's Look at Longfellow's 'Evangeline'" features performances by actor Donald Lipfert; Elizabeth Drucker, director of The Ballet School; Bowdoin music students, directed by Delmar Small; and a cappella group The Longfellows. Layne Longfellow plays host.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
5 p.m.

## Sunday

**Sunday Mass**

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

## Monday

**Black Culture in Maine**

Maureen Elgersman Lee, associate professor of history at the University of Southern Maine, will give a lecture titled, "Zooming In: Different Cultures in Maine," about the history of blacks throughout the state.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 5 p.m.

## Tuesday

**Faculty Seminar Series**

Randy Stakeman, professor of history and Africana studies, will give a lecture titled, "Heritage Day: The Making of the Video." Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 12-1 p.m.

**Paddling Film**

The Spring Paddling Film Series features films made by Maine paddlers and outdoor recreationalists.

Beebe Room, Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center, 7-9 p.m.

## Wednesday

**The Lobster Coast**

Writer Colin Woodard will give a talk titled, "The Cultural History of Coastal Maine," about how Maine's history influences the state's culture and landscape today.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

## Thursday

**Home**

A musical about life and love after college, written and directed by seniors Davin Michaels, Michael Lobiondo, and James Nylund. Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 8-10 p.m.

**Robert Lehman Lecture**

Listen to Daniel Walker as he gives a speech titled, "Beauty, Luxury, Currency: The Role of Islamic Carpets and Textiles in Eastern and Western Cultures."

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7-9 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

A bird of paradise flower blooms inside Druckenmiller.



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## Bears claim sixth consecutive NESCAC crown



Beth Kowitz, The Bowdoin Orient

The team celebrates its win with a post-game huddle. Bowdoin will challenge Colby-Sawyer at home tonight in the NCAA first round.

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

For the sixth year in a row, the Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team captured the NESCAC crown. Sunday's thrilling victory over Bates gave the Bears an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III regional tournament. The Bears will play host to the first and second rounds of the tournament this weekend.

As if a NESCAC championship was not enough, two Bowdoin players received NESCAC honors. Senior Justine Pouravelis and sophomore Marisa Berne were awarded Co-Player of the Week honors for their outstanding performances against Wesleyan in the semifinals on Saturday and against Bates on

Sunday. In the Wesleyan match, Berne scored 12 points, while Pouravelis contributed eight points and had 12 rebounds in the 61-46 win. Playing against Bates for the title, Berne posted a game-high 18 points with Pouravelis netting 10 points and 11 rebounds in the 68-58 win.

Wesleyan started off Saturday's semifinal match with a bang, taking the lead and forcing Bowdoin to step up its level of play. After three minutes, the Polar Bears hit their stride and took the lead, which they would maintain for the rest of the game. The Bowdoin squad capitalized on free-throw opportunities, sinking 21 of 31 shots, while Wesleyan was only successful in four of 17.

The Cardinals managed to catch

up at the start of the second half, but they could not overtake the Bowdoin players. With two layups, a free-throw by Berne, and a solid defensive effort, the Bears overpowered Wesleyan in the semifinal match.

The next day, the Bears were back on the court, challenging Bates on the Bobcats' home turf. Once again slow to warm up, Bowdoin allowed the Bobcats to take a 10-0 lead early in the first half. Missed opportunities on the free-throw line and from the field preserved the Bobcats' lead. Bates held a 26-19 lead at the half.

With a surge of energy, Bowdoin returned in the second half fully focused. Julie Loonin '07, who scored 17 points in the second half,

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## Emails can send wrong message

With faculty surprised by student mail, manners expert advises respect

by Bobby Guerrette  
ORIENT STAFF

After regularly receiving overly informal emails in their inboxes—and even the occasional inappropriate message—some faculty members are wondering if students might want to slow down before they click the "send" button.

Faculty members point to messages they have received that make

unfair demands or turn out to be downright embarrassing for students.

Edward Little Professor of the English Language and Literature William Watterson received this message from a student on the eve of a final examination two years ago:

"Hey professor, the airport limo is here to take me to Portland so I won't be taking the final examination for English 210 tomorrow. Please call me at home at your earliest convenience so that we can clear this matter up."

Professor of Government Paul Franco once received an email from

a student apologizing for sending a message that was not intended for Franco's eyes.

"Of course, I immediately sought out the offending message, which described in detail a night of drunkenness and debauchery," Franco said.

Perhaps the most common complaint among faculty are emails from students who apologize for missing class and then ask, "Did I miss anything?"

Visiting Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies Jill Pearlman

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## Mills creates advisory committee on Darfur

by Beth Kowitz  
ORIENT STAFF

With the formation of an advisory committee on Darfur by President Barry Mills this week, Bowdoin may become the latest addition to the small list of colleges and universities taking a stand on investment in Sudan.

Harvard, Stanford, Amherst, Dartmouth, and, most recently, Brown and Yale have all taken some form of action concerning their investments in the region in response to concerns related to genocide and human rights violations in Darfur.

Mills said the steps taken by these schools will likely be reviewed by the nine-member committee made up of faculty, staff, students, and trustees and headed by Gerald Chertavian '87. He noted, however, that these institutions have taken

"different but similar positions."

"I think it's important not to generalize what any school has done, to read quite carefully the statements that they make," Mills said. "In general terms all of these schools have elected to divest, but the technicalities of what that means have to be read very carefully because it is subtle and not so subtly different."

While Mills said the committee's primary responsibility is to consider investment policy and make a recommendation to the trustees in time for their campus meetings in May, he noted there may be room for non-financial recommendations.

"I think that if the people on the committee have views as to actions that the College ought to take that are educational, things that we can do to show our support, certainly we

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## College House System subject of campus enthusiasm, debate

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

As a selection committee prepares to consider a record 213 candidates for residency in Bowdoin's six college houses, interviews with leaders of the College House System show that there is not a consensus on what the goals of the system should be.

According to Director of Residential Life Kimberly Pacelli, the applicant pool is significantly larger than normal.

"I've consistently seen the number of applicants at about 175, with some modest ups and downs," she said, "but this is the first year we've ever broken 200 applicants that I can recall."

"Students, on the whole, are much more positive about the houses this year than in past years," she said.

There are 150 spots for membership to the college houses. Residential Life will make its deci-

sions public after Spring Break.

Amid the annual excitement and nerves that the college house application process causes, questions loom about the houses and their

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## Attorney general: Help stop local teen drinking

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

As Maine Attorney General Steven Rowe enlisted members of the Topsham area community to stop underage drinking, he also called on

an unusual group to join his fight—Bowdoin students.

"The students at Bowdoin could serve as mentors for kids in middle school and high school," Rowe said in an interview with the Orient. He noted that adolescent boys especially need college-age men to be role models.

The interview followed the first of 23 summits focused on underage drinking in Maine. The summit took place at Mt. Ararat High School in Topsham on Tuesday evening.

In addition to the attorney general, who was the event's keynote speaker, the attendees were mostly parents, a handful of high school students, and a few police officers.

"We may not have a lot of polish, but we have a lot of passion," Rowe said in his speech in reference to the

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## Stone cold: seventy winters without a shiver



Mike Ardolino and Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Dedicated by the Class of 1912 in June 1937, the polar bear outside Smith Union has survived nearly 70 years of Maine winters.

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# Professors find some student email useful, but at times inappropriate, needless

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sends equally brief replies to that question. "Yes, you did," she writes. Or occasionally, "I like to think so."

Pearlman and others also referred to messages that begin with a "Hey" salutation, followed by the professor's first name.

"What's most surprising is when a student I've never met emails me by my first name," Pearlman said, though she also noted that some students can be "incredibly gracious."

The phenomenon of questionable email interactions has achieved national attention. A front-page article in The New York Times reported on the issue last week, and some faculty members at Bowdoin have been discussing the issue since.

Professor of the History of Art Emeritus Cliff Olds remarked that the article made a "petulant mountain out of an occasionally irritating mole hill."

"Yes, I did receive a few annoying questions, most of them from students who had not read the course syllabus or had been asleep during class, but these were few and far between," he said. "Most of what I received were good questions or suggestions made courteously and intelligently."

Associate Professor of History Sarah McMahon often encourages students to send email when they are confused and need assistance.

"What I like about email is it gives me the ability to know that students are having difficulty," she said.

Before email, students would call her at night in a panic. Now they can email her late at night, and she responds in the morning. She said she considers the technology "a really valuable educational tool" that allows her to receive questions that students might be afraid to ask in person or to help students develop their thesis statements.

Watterson said that email "has advantages as well as liabilities."

One such advantage is rapid communication made on-the-record.

"A student can send me a question or a comment at 11 p.m. from the library, and will have a thoughtful answer by the following morning," Watterson said.

On the other hand, less important messages still take time to answer. "I think we all spend too much time writing and responding to non-essential messages," Watterson said. "If you had told me 10 years ago that I would spend multiple hours per day doing email, frankly I wouldn't have believed you."

Assistant Professor of Education Chuck Dorn is a scholar of higher education. He said he wonders if requests made by email might be part of a larger trend of the commodification of higher education.

"I wonder how much of it is email, and how much of it is students approaching colleges and universities as consumers," he said, noting that demands made to professors could be seen as analogous to demands made to a salesperson at a clothing store.

Dorn said that it is also possible that email communication has proliferated simply because it is convenient and free. He also said it is "easy to over-generalize" the more extreme cases of email use.

Franco described himself as a "big fan" of email and sees the technology's overall effect on education as positive. He said the negative aspect emerges when users say something "we would never dream of saying face-to-face to someone."

"We all have to watch out for this false boldness," he said.

A survey conducted by the Office of

Institutional Research of the Class of 2009 shows that students have practice using electronic communication. In the survey, 32.1 percent of students said they spend three to five hours a week communicating electronically, while 22 percent estimated their hourly email and instant messaging time at six to 10 hours a week. Thirteen percent said they spend at least 11 hours a week on these tasks.

Of the respondents, 53.2 percent said they contact faculty via email, instant message, or phone at least once

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William Watterson

Edward Little Professor of the English Language and Literature

a month. Ten percent said they do so at least two or three times a week.

Although electronic communication is widespread, some students say that it is not always easy to get email etiquette correct.

"Email is very informal to me," Ian Yaffe '09 said.

When a faculty member signs an email with his or her initials or first name, Yaffe said he is often not sure what cue to take and wonders, "What do you want me to call you?"

He also pointed to a few instances where a professor has changed an assignment or added to an assignment the night before it is due.

Nate Underwood '07 said email has been very beneficial to his education. After he found out that email has become an issue at some colleges, Underwood said he has been a little more careful.

"I guess I thought a little bit about how I word my own emails," he said.

"I think some students do not know where the line is," Underwood said.

Alaina Thomas '09 said the line usually is not hard to find.

"It's fairly obvious early on in the semester when you have a professor with whom you can joke around," she said.

When that line is blurry, an expert from the Emily Post Institute encourages students to use respect. Emily Post was a best-selling author of etiquette advice books and established the institute in 1946.

Cindy Post Senning is Post's great-granddaughter and is the institute's current expert on etiquette for children and in education.

"The rule of thumb for emails is that you shouldn't be sending them any differently than if you're handwriting a note," she said in an interview with the Orient.

If a student calls a professor by a first name in class, it is appropriate to use the first name in an email. Otherwise, she advises the use of a proper salutation.

Senning said that ease of use is no excuse for not showing "the same respect that you would show when you're addressing a professor in person."

The Orient put a question from a student to Senning: When should a student re-write to someone when he or she does not receive a reply to the original message?

Senning estimates that "a couple of days" is probably the proper time frame for waiting for a reply. As for concluding an email conversation, Senning noted that a brief thank-you

email might be in order when a professor took the time to research or consider a question in an email.

"That way you're showing you're appreciative for the time they took," Senning said.

Email etiquette problems are not just an issue for college students, Senning said. The Emily Post Institute runs seminars around the country, and Senning said that the issue is a common topic.

"We know that this is an issue for people in workplaces," she said. She noted that since individuals establish habits when they are young, habits formed while writing instant messages may transfer over to email.

The bottom line, Senning said: "Make it look respectable."

Faculty members noted that whatever the tone of the message, in-person conversations still are important.

"There's no substitution for the live conversation that can occur when a teacher and student sit down together, but there's no doubt that an intelligent e-mail exchange is the next best thing," Olds said.

Assistant Professor of English Aviva Briefel said that she will take a look at a thesis statement or introduction when a student sends a draft by email, but asks them to come to office hours for more substantial comments.

"I find that this is not only helpful for my own time constraints, but also for the quality of the feedback they will receive," Briefel said. "Email doesn't usually allow for the same kinds of dynamic interactions that occur during individual meetings."

Watterson noted that email use has led fewer students to come to his office hours.

"The diminishment of face-to-face encounters seems at odds with the whole idea of a residential community," Watterson said. "I communicate with students more but see them less."

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

### NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

#### Students will learn to 'pass' job interviews with mind-body techniques

When your Bowdoin education has taken you as far as it can go in the job search, self-hypnosis and meditation might just be the key to overcoming nerves and succeeding in the critical job interview.

In a unique partnership, the Career Planning Center (CPC) and the Counseling Service will hold a workshop next week that will counsel students both in traditional strategies and mind-body techniques to improve interview performance.

The workshop is the result of a collaboration between Director of the Counseling Service Bernie Herschberger and Leslie Cummings of the CPC. Cummings, who is serving as a CPC intern while pursuing her master's degree in counseling, worked in human resources at L.L. Bean for 16 years.

Her experience interviewing job seekers at L.L. Bean has made her well aware of the importance of the interview, as well as its possible pitfalls.

"There were many times I sat across from a person that I knew really wanted the position, and they had the qualifications we were looking for, but they weren't able to communicate their skills and desire," she told the Orient.

She said that the interview usually makes up about one-third of the employer's decision.

"Many companies assign a per-

centage to the interview performance as they weigh candidates against each other. While each organization approaches this differently, I would say on average it accounts for around 30 to 40 percent of your 'score,'" Cummings said.

Herschberger said the main goal of the session was to explore ways to reduce interview anxiety.

"This workshop will include pragmatic ideas for doing one's best with interviews, as well as some mind-body strategies such as relaxation, self-hypnosis, brief meditations, and visualizations," he said.

The organizers are also planning an interview role-play featuring Randy Nichols and Mike Brown of the security department. The demonstration will provide examples of both good and bad interviews.

The event will take place on Monday at 7 p.m. in Moulton Union. Students are encouraged to sign up for the workshop on the CPC web site.

#### College looks to improve union by monitoring use

Student use of Smith Union is being monitored in an effort to document how the building is used and how to make it more effective in suiting students' needs.

Office of Student Activities Information and Ticket Sales

Coordinator Bonnie Pardue recruited members from the Bowdoin track team and approximately 20 other students for temporary paid positions in this project entitled People Count.

Each student was given a counter with which to track the number of people entering the building at various entrances, as well as the number of people studying in Morrell Lounge, collecting their mail, or having coffee at the café. At any given time, up to six students were taking counts of people throughout the building.

When the project was originally proposed, "everyone thought it was a good idea," said Pardue, so that they may have more information as to whether furniture is needed in other places in the union, "how much traffic there is, how busy the café and mail room are and if we need more staff."

"We're trying to serve people in the best way we can," she said.

According to Pardue, the students counting were "all very surprised at how many people come in here."

While Pardue had originally guessed that the majority of students enter by the Information Desk, "11 to one came in through Sargent Gym," she said.

Pardue and others hope to put this information toward making the union better and more efficient for student use. Much of the furniture is being re-upholstered in leather,

which is easier to clean. Also, in response to findings that many students move the furniture when they study in the lounge and upstairs, many of the chairs have been put on wheels to facilitate movement.

Additionally, after seeing that not all of the pool tables upstairs were being used at once, one of the tables was removed.

"There are a lot more people studying upstairs now," said Pardue.

While this is the first time that the people count has been conducted, it may take place again in the future, in which case the counts would likely be taken at different times of day in order to make a comparison.

#### Class email lists locked to minimize flow of spam

In attempt to reduce the volume of spam flowing into Bowdoin inboxes, the Department of Information Technology (IT) undertook a lockdown of course email lists. The lockdown limits access to class email lists to students in the class.

The change, which was effected last Wednesday after a fact-finding and impact-analysis mission, caught some staff off guard. For Director of the Quantitative Skills Program Linda Kirstein, the change posed a challenge to her tutors and study group leaders, who require access to

the course email lists to communicate with students in their study groups. Initially after the lockdown, tutors and study group leaders could not access the necessary course email lists because they were not enrolled in the courses. However, IT quickly rectified the problem, giving such students special permission to use these mailing lists.

"It was a brief frustration, but they took care of it quickly," Kirstein said.

Senior IT Administrator Randy Pelletier believes that as spammers find new ways to avoid detection and get around existing filters, it will become increasingly challenging to balance the College's communication needs and keep junk mail out of inboxes.

"[Spam] has become a constantly moving target and evolves quite rapidly, in finding ways through and around unsolicited email prevention mechanisms," he said.

According to Pelletier, Bowdoin is not alone in taking more extreme measures to reduce the flood of spam.

"Other universities are doing anything possible without completely crushing communications," Pelletier said.

He has already noticed a reduction in the flow of spam.

"The results were instantaneous," he said.

—Compiled by James D. Baumberger, Beth Kovitt, Miranda Yaver, and Anna Karass.



# College mulls keycard changes

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Don't know how many Polar Points you have left? Soon you will be able to go online and find out. Want to get into your dorm? Soon you may have to swipe as opposed to wave your ID card to enter. Want to buy a snack at a store in Brunswick? In a few years, a Bowdoin ID may be accepted as payment.

The College is in the midst of planning various changes to the information technology systems that give functionality to Bowdoin identification cards, known as OneCards.

A student's Bowdoin ID currently allows him or her to gain access to approved academic and residential buildings, to eat meals at the dining halls, at the pub and café, to use school-provided washers and dryers (at a cost of \$1.25 per load) and photocopy machines (at a cost of \$0.10 per page), to take out library books, to purchase

textbooks and other school supplies at the bookstore, and to buy drinks and snacks at vending machines.

Regardless of future changes to the system, IDs will continue to provide these functions. And, if Bowdoin Student Government has its

*By the end of the semester, students on board plans will be able to check how many meals they have left in the week and how many Polar Points remain in their account*

way, students will be able to use IDs to make purchases at select retail establishments in Brunswick—although that functionality is a few years away, according to OneCard Coordinator Catherine Knowles.

By the end of this semester, the College will launch a new web site where members of the Bowdoin community with OneCards can check the balances of their various accounts. According to Knowles, stu-

dents on board plans will be able to check how many meals they have left for the week and how many Polar Points remain in their accounts. All students will be able log-on to review their purchases at the bookstore and their remaining balance as well as

how much "miscellaneous" money remains in their account—that is, the money loaded on their IDs for laundry, copying, and vending.

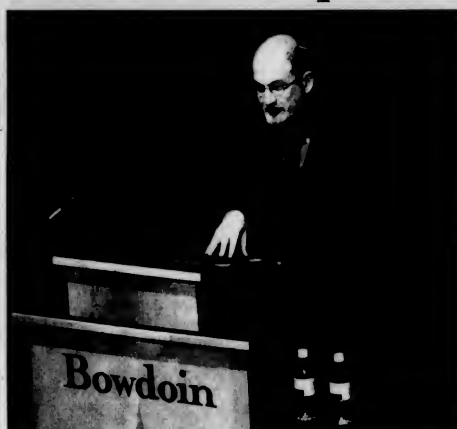
In the future, parents and students will be able to add funds to OneCard accounts

online with a credit card.

"We're looking at different avenues for adding that functionality to the web site," Knowles said. The ability for students and parents to add money "to ID cards via a secure web site is something I would really like to add. That would, however, be something happening for next year," Knowles added.

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# Rushdie advocates freedom of speech



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Salman Rushdie's Common Hour lecture focused on his upholding of free speech, even when the free speech was slanderous to himself.

by Anne Riley  
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Despite concerns that tickets for controversial author Salman Rushdie's Common Hour lecture would be difficult to come by after selling out only two hours after becoming available, all who showed up at Pickard Theater last Friday were able to see Rushdie's lecture live, though not necessarily in person.

"I know a lot of people were worried about the size of the venue. However, everyone that stood in line for the extra ticket distribution on the day of the event received a ticket," Assistant Director of Events Brenna Hensley said. "For those that arrived late without a ticket, the over flow seating with projection in Wish provided a good alternative so no one was turned away."

Rushdie's lecture, which focused on the fallacy of autobiography as a requirement in fiction writing, the importance of free speech, and the magical realism of his writing based in the tradition of oral narrative, drew constant laughter from the full theater and merited a standing ovation at its conclusion.

Rushdie opened his lecture by explaining that the first question all critics ask is about the autobiographical nature of an author's book, and the correct answer to give, so as not to

disappoint the critics, is, "It's completely autobiographical," even when that is not exactly the case.

"You draw from what happens to you in your life, in a more interesting way," he said.

Rushdie also spoke about growing up in a society in which multiple languages were spoken as first languages.

"This gives you the ability to be playful with language," he said. "If the appropriate verb is a Hindi one, you use that one, and if the appropriate adverb is an English one, you use that one. It creates a sense of having a language that is amorphous."

"You have to find a way to make a book within a single language feel like it uses the thought processes of many languages," he said.

Zach Roberts '08 found this element of his speech particularly interesting.

"His thoughts on language as mimesis were really fascinating to me, that is, how a polyphonic culture influenced his works, and how one's native languages influence necessarily influences his ideas, and his thought processes," he said.

Rushdie, who was born in 1947 right before Pakistan separated from India, acknowledged that the political location of his childhood undoubtedly influenced his work.

"I was born eight weeks to the day to the independence and partition of India and Pakistan," he said. "'Midnight's Children' was born out of a terrible joke my parents used to tell—I was born, and eight weeks later, the British ran away."

Rushdie next addressed the continued controversy surrounding his fourth novel, "The Satanic Verses," which led to a fatwa, or death threat, issued on Rushdie's head by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, then-leader of Iran.

"What happened to 'The Satanic Verses' was, in many ways, ludicrous," he said. "The question of would you kill people because you don't like their novel—I think that's a relatively easy question to answer—mostly, 'No.'"

When asked by Roberts during the question and answer portion of the lecture how the fatwa has affected his life, Rushdie commented that it has been seven years since the death threat really impacted his life, but that it absolutely affected the way he

# 'Monologues' incites dialogue about violence against women

by Nat Herz  
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Three events this week continued the discussion of issues of violence against women raised by last weekend's performance of "The Vagina Monologues." The organizers of "Monologues" sponsored screenings of two different films as a follow-up to the play, while the College Republicans brought a speaker to campus to offer a contrary perspective.

"The Vagina Monologues," written by Eve Ensler, is a play that was performed by 40 Bowdoin women as part of an effort to end violence against women. Along with the two films, "The Vagina Monologues" is part of the V-Day movement, "a global movement to stop violence against women and girls," according to the V-Day web site.

"The work that V-Day does continues throughout the year," said Gwenn Hollingsworth '06, a co-director of the play. "On Monday, we showed the documentary 'Until the Violence Stops,' which would allow those people who had been interested by the show to learn about the work we do

throughout the year."

"It also helped people to better understand the V-Day movement, and to understand that it is not only a performance of 'The Vagina Monologues,' but a continued effort to keep dialogue about sexual violence flowing," she said.

On Tuesday, Associate Professor of Government and Asian Studies Henry Lawrence led a discussion of a film about the Japanese "comfort women" of World War II. The comfort women were women from Asian countries who were forced into sexual slavery by the Japanese military. The film was of the taped proceedings of a tribunal, held in Tokyo, which indicted the Japanese military and government, including Emperor Hirohito, for crimes against humanity.

Comfort women were V-Day's "Global Spotlight" for the year, and a monologue depicting the treatment of these women was featured in the play. According to the V-Day website, the organization's goal is to "support these women and their fight for an official apology and compensation from the Japanese government."

Laurence tied the film's message to more current events.

"As much as we'd like to think that we've made moral progress, it's not clear that we have. Things like that are still happening today," Laurence said.

"There's less support for comfort women now than there's been in a decade. The only real kind of hope is individual [non-Japanese] governments doing things for their own victims," he said.

Also on Monday, the Bowdoin College Republicans played host to Monique Stuart, program officer for the Claire Boothe Luce Policy Institute. Stuart gave a lecture called "P-Day vs. V-Day: Using Absurdity to Expose the Absurd," that criticized "The Vagina Monologues" as profane, pornographic, and ineffective at conveying its message of combating violence against women.

"Go tell women to be sluts, that's great," Stuart said. "There are so many ways to help and do things, and this play is not it. Part of the reason it's so appealing is the cause. I think there are better ways to go about it. There are so many better ways than chanting the c-word. There are people dying in wars, and you people

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# Students to spend break in Americas, Asia

*Trips planned to NYC, New Mexico, Mississippi, Peru, Guatemala, and Thailand*

by Chris Marotta  
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Spring Break is coming, and while some students are looking forward to two weeks of rest and relaxation, 66 students will see their spring breaks take them to New Mexico, Mississippi, Peru, New York City, Guatemala, and Thailand. These students will be traveling as part of Bowdoin's Alternative Spring Break (ASB), a program that has existed for five years at the College.

"[The trips] offer an alternative to more traditional spring break vacations," said Coordinator of Community Service Programs Sarah Seames.

The ASB trips, which focus on service and learning, started out with students organizing and running trips on their own before the Community Service Resource Center (CSRC) took the trips under its wing.

The CSRC, wanting to continue this same tradition of student-powered activism, still places the responsibility for the trips largely on students' shoulders.

"It's definitely student run, student driven," said Seames. Since its creation, the program has continued to grow at Bowdoin. This year, there are six trips going out, the largest number of trips so far.

"I think it's a sign of the success of the program to have so many interested," Seames said.

The trips are centered on doing service in new communities and learning through service to others.

"It's a great way to get others

involved and also do service in a part of the country I've never been before," said Meghan Kennedy '06, who is leading the New Mexico trip. In New Mexico, students will be working closely with a Native American community to build an adobe seating area, according to Kennedy.

In Guatemala, students will be helping at an education center for children living at the Guatemala City garbage dump.

Another trip will be joining Habitat for Humanity in Mississippi.

In New York City, the focus will be on after-school programs in Harlem.

In Peru, students will experience rural poverty first hand by helping with building projects in shanty towns.

On the ASB trip to Thailand, participants will be working with organizations focused on the sex trade.

"That's the only trip we have a staff

person going on," Seames said.

"Because of our subject matter, there were certain hurdles," said Michelle Chan '06, who is leading the Thailand trip with Jae Lee '06.

In Thailand, students will work with four organizations. The first helps minorities living in rural areas, educating them about the risks of the sex trade.

"[People who come in] offer the family this amount for your daughter, and we'll take her to Bangkok, and she can make more money than she ever will here as a waitress. But they don't become waitresses; they get sold into the sex trade," Chan said.

Another group the trip will work with is a shelter for escapees from the sex trade, and a third provides a support group for sex workers.

Finally, the students will help an

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## Students find Rushdie lecture 'fascinating'

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viewed the world and wrote.

"I was 41 then, I'm 58 now—my writing would have changed a lot anyway, but it made me clarify my thinking," he said. "If you're a writer of satirical fiction, it's clearer to know what you're against than what you're for. What I was against was people trying to kill me," he joked, and then explained that only because of the controversy did he realize how strongly he supported the absolute freedom of speech.

According to Assistant Professor of English Belinda Kong, Rushdie upheld the right to freedom of speech long before the fatwa was issued. The last line of Rushdie's signature essay written in 1982, "Imaginary Homelands," called for an opening of the universe a little more, a theme reiterated in his Common Hour lecture.

"A quarter of a century later, it must be so affirming for him to see that he still stands for the same principles," Kong said.

Kong also saw Rushdie two years ago at his American debut in Ann Arbor, Michigan. According to Kong, Rushdie seemed to feel much more comfortable speaking in Michigan, where he was provided more opportunities to interact with the audience.

"At Michigan, at no point was he on stage alone—there was more interaction," Kong said.

"I think he's more comfortable as a conversationalist than as a lecturer. Here, he was put in the position more as an orator, where he couldn't see the audience," she said.

Despite her concern that Rushdie would have felt more comfortable in a different setting, Kong felt that the lecture was very rewarding.

"He knew his audience—he was very funny, he was engaging," she said. "He was conscious of speaking to a specific audience and bringing them in."

Roberts agreed that the lecture was a success.

"I think a lot of people went simply by virtue of his fame—clearly he's a big name, and the fact that there's a bounty on his head is pretty fascinating. Of course, what was amazing about his lecture was not merely his presence, but his inspirational and engaging thoughts about the nature of culture, religion, and the modern city," he said.

"I was lucky enough to have the chance to talk with him briefly after the lecture in the reception, and he was thoroughly inspiring," Roberts said.

## Renovated first-year bricks will require a card swipe to enter

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According to Director of Facilities Administration Del Wilson, besides metal keys, the College currently uses three separate systems to provide access to buildings and rooms: Ilco, CS Gold, and Millennium. The Ilco locks are used on most interior doors and require students to swipe their cards for entry.

The Millennium system, an older system that has limited support, is used for exterior access on most buildings and requires a card-holder to wave his or her card in front of the proximity reader or enter a PIN code. The CS Gold system requires a card swipe.

According to Knowles, although "CS Gold currently controls access to only five buildings: the two new dorms, East Hall and West Hall, Cram Alumni House, Kanbar, and

the Russwurm African-American House...the software has a pretty big presence on the campus already. It controls your meal plans and [Polar] Points, laundry, copying, vending and your bookstore account."

While no final decision has been made, it appears likely that the renovated first-year bricks will have CS Gold installed on their exterior doors. This will necessitate swiping a card for entry.

"The goal is to try to make our investment in CS Gold work," Wilson said. "If it's not the right product though, we will step back and take another look."

"We've already invested a lot in CS Gold, so if they have a product that works, we'll stay with" C-Board, the makers of CS Gold, Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration S. Catherine Longley said.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The system in which students wave their card in front of a sensor to gain entry to their dorm may be replaced.

## College creates committee to make recommendations about investment in Sudan

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should talk about that," Mills said.

Whatever action the committee recommends, Mills said he wants people to understand its implications and that "transparency is very important."

"I don't want it take on meaning that it might not have," he said. "I think it's very important for this committee to do a very careful analysis of how and if Bowdoin should take action, and if it should take action, how does it take action in a meaningful way and in a way that people understand."

Mills said the committee was strictly

designed for dealing with the issue of Sudan, which is "so clearly and uniformly viewed as genocide."

"I think we should be very wary of expanding this concept in a way that would expose our investments to the political arena and to people with different social agendas," he said. "I am very concerned that given the level of political discourse in the nation, in the world, and frankly on this campus, that exposing our endowment to that political discourse is entirely inappropriate. I do believe that having a discourse about Darfur is completely appropriate."

Committee member and Vice President for Investments Paula Volent, who has been researching the issue and meeting with peer institutions to discuss the issue, echoed Mills's concern.

"This is unusual and serious. Usually we won't let politics influence our portfolio theory," she said, "but ethics is one of the things I seriously consider."

Volent said she spent last week going through the portfolio and found the College does not have any exposure at all to the major companies that have attracted attention because of their activities in Darfur. Yet, she pointed to the complexity of the issue, noting that Bowdoin's portfolio positions change

daily and its limited partnerships and private equity investments make full disclosure impractical.

"To say we're not going to directly invest would be hypocritical because we don't directly invest anyway, so that wouldn't be an action we would take," she said.

Mills said that though the underlying

genuinely supported. The process is very important at a place like Bowdoin.

"I don't think we'd be doing this if it didn't reflect genuine commitment on behalf of the administration to take seriously the views of the broader campus community," said committee member and Associate Professor of Government and Asian Studies Henry Laurence.

Laurence said that because the committee has yet to meet, it is too early to consider possible recommendations. He noted that the advisory board has the potential to have an impact on several fronts.

"Clearly there's concern about what's going on," he said. "I wish there was a better understanding, because it seems people here are not especially well-informed. If this helps people become aware of what's going on, then that's a definite benefit."

Student committee member Emma Cooper-Mullin '07 also said she is uncertain as to what the final result will be.

"I don't have a strong view going into it. I'm very open-minded at this point," she said. "I'm curious to see the research the committee does and to see how the tone of debate on campus changes."

*"I think it's very important for this committee to do a very careful analysis of how and if Bowdoin should take action, and if it should take action, how does it take action in a meaningful way and in a way that people understand."*

President Barry Mills

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

\*Attendance: 22/26. Absent: Emily Goodridge '08, Ben LeHay '08, Mike Lobiondo '06, Shrinidi Mani '06.

\*The BSG Committee on Facilities is working with IT to create a "restaurant portal" for students on the Bowdoin web site, which would provide the hours and menus of local restaurants.

\*Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day has been changed to April 14, from 2 to 4 p.m.

\*A constitutional amendment that changed the representation of college houses within the BSG was unanimously approved for movement to the student body.

\*An amendment and clarification was proposed that stated that a quorum of its body of members, and all measures would be passed by a majority vote of the quorum, with the exception of the removal of members, which would require a two-thirds vote from the full membership of BSG, and constitutional amendments, which would require a four-fifths vote of the full membership of BSG. A motion to move the proposal to the student body failed with a vote of 19-3.

\*BSG unanimously authorized that the referendum on proposed constitutional amendments will be held Wednesday, March 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., pending technological ability (see article, page 5).

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## CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT: 2/24 TO 3/1

Friday, February 24

\*Two students became seriously ill after consuming hard alcohol at an unregistered event in Moore Hall. One of the students was transported to Parkview Hospital for treatment. Security has completed its investigation of the incident and has identified several students for alcohol policy violations. The matter has been turned over to the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs.

\*Daniel Perry of Hampstead, New Hampshire was removed from campus and issued a trespass warning for all college property after he arrived on campus, entered Hatch Library and Smith Union, and refused to cooperate with security officers.

\*A fire alarm at Harpswell Apartments was activated by smoke from a cigarette.

Saturday, February 25

\*A Brunswick resident reported that the front door to Whittier Field House had been pried. No property was missing.

\*A fire alarm at 7 Boody St. was activated by smoke from burnt food

in the kitchen.

\*A student reported that a window was smashed on the south side of Hawthorne and Longfellow Library. The incident occurred at 11:15 p.m. The male suspect, wearing a white t-shirt, was last seen running north on Park Road.

Sunday, February 26

\*A student reported theft and vandalism at Baxter House. Following a registered event, two iPods were stolen, and a stereo, iPod player, and three beer taps were damaged. The incident occurred late Sunday night or early Monday morning.

\*A student attempted to steal furniture from Helmholtz House. A security officer apprehended the student at 2:40 a.m. as he was dragging a couch across Maine Street toward campus.

\*Security responded to the 14th floor of Coles Tower to investigate a noise complaint. An unregistered event was dispersed and three students were charged with alcohol and drug violations.

\*A student reported that her vehicle was struck and damaged by another

vehicle while it was parked in the Ladd House lot.

Monday, February 27

\*A student reported his bicycle stolen from a storage room at Ladd House. The bike is a silver and blue Schwinn Solution 21 mountain bike.

Tuesday, February 28

\*A staff member thwarted a gasoline theft in progress near the tin building at the Farley Field House parking lot at 10 p.m. Two males fled in a dark Dodge car. Gas caps had been removed from two college vehicles. The suspects left a plastic gas can with a siphon hose still inserted in a gas tank. No gasoline was missing from either vehicle.

Wednesday March 1

\*A fire alarm at Chamberlain Hall was activated by burnt popcorn in a microwave.

\*A student with a medical problem was transferred from Dudley Coc Health Center to Mid Coast Hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security

## Students, speaker question value of 'Monologues,' V-Day movement



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

In her lecture "P-Day vs. V-Day: Using Absurdity to Expose the Absurd," Monique Stuart called "The Vagina Monologues" profane and pornographic.

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are worried about what your vagina would wear?" Stuart asked.

Alex Krippner '06 said that she wished more people had attended Stuart's lecture to encourage discussion.

"I dislike the fact that more people aren't willing to examine various viewpoints. I think that often, the extremes of each viewpoint too quickly dismiss the other side, and those are the voices that we mostly hear on campus. I wish it were more of a dialogue," she said.

Krippner said that while she disagreed with the way Stuart argued her point, the argument had some validity.

"The idea of a lecture itself is valid because I think that on campus, the purpose of 'The Vagina Monologues' is sometimes questionable," Krippner said. "If it is to combat violence against women, why does it seem to focus on female anatomy, and how does that specifically combat violence against women?"

"But I didn't like her combative

attitude. The ways she went about countering 'The Vagina Monologues' were very immature," she said.

Madeline Sullivan '09, a performer in the play, also questioned the effectiveness of the play at conveying its message.

"I think it's definitely a good way to publicize the message and start the conversation, but I don't know how effective it is in terms of actually stopping [violence against women]," she said. "Maybe it does in some ways because it starts you thinking about it and really bringing the women's perspective up front and being more open and up front about sexuality."

"I think a lot of what it does is just a lot of bonding between women, just talking about it and having a good time. It's a show that's for women, I feel like, more than it is for men," Sullivan said.

"It's a very personal kind of play that brings women together on a level that otherwise wouldn't occur. Girls don't usually sit around on pillows talking about the first time they got their periods," she said.

# Campus to vote on BSG amendments Wednesday

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) will present the student body with nine proposed amendments to the BSG constitution Wednesday. Students will be given a chance to vote on these amendments, which have all been passed by a vote of at least four fifths of the full BSG body. The amendments are as follows:

-The Spring Elections Amendment, which moves all class elections, with the exception of first-year elections, to the second Wednesday in April.

-The Leadership Council Amendment, which creates a council made up of the BSG president, all college house presidents, all class presidents, and the Inter-House Council (IHC) chair. The council will meet at least once a month.

-The Removal of Student Matters Section Amendment, which removes a lengthy section of the constitution titled "Student Matters."

-The President's Role Amendment, which clarifies the duties of the BSG

president, who will serve as BSG liaison to the administration and students; be a member of all BSG committees, the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee of the Trustees, and the Judicial Board selection process; coordinate the activities proposed by BSG committees; and set the weekly BSG agenda.

-The Officer Role Amendment, which defines the roles of all BSG officers including the vice president of facilities, the vice president of student affairs, the vice president of BSG affairs, the vice president of student organizations, and the vice president of academic affairs.

-The Clubs and Funding Amendment, which states that the Student Organization Oversight Committee (SOOC) will charter and oversee all clubs on campus and the Student Activities Funding Committee (SAFC) will provide funding for club-sponsored events. Both the SOOC and the SAFC will create rules for these processes, to be voted upon by BSG every year.

-The Outside Involvement

Amendment, which replaces "Student Matters" and states that students may express an opinion to BSG during a public comment time at the beginning of each meeting. Students may propose a bill to the appropriate BSG committee or have it endorsed by their class representatives.

-The Hired Secretary Amendment, which allows BSG to hire an independent secretary to keep the minutes at all BSG meetings.

-The Representation Realignment Amendment, which removes the six BSG members representing each of the College Houses and replaces them with six new representatives: two appointed by the IHC to represent the house system, one appointed by the IHC to represent chem-free interests, one appointed by the Executive Board of the Activities Board, one elected by the Residential Life staff, and one community service representative.

In order for the amendments to go into effect, they must pass with two-thirds of the vote in favor. Voting will take place online from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday.

## Community urges Bowdoin to help fight underage drinking

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fact that the meeting was the first in the series.

In his speech, Rowe introduced a theme that would be repeated throughout the evening—a collaborative community effort to reduce

underage drinking.

"Underage drinking is not a young person's problem," Rowe said. "It is the community's problem."

Following Rowe's address, former First Lady of Maine Mary Herman spoke about parenting.

Later, there was a panel discussion featuring the Superintendent of MSAD75, Executive Director of Sexual Assault Support Services, Bath Police Chief, Emergency Room Medical Director of Mid Coast Hospital, and Sagadahoc County District Attorney. Each member of the panel had a unique perspective on underage drinking.

"The hardest thing for me to do is tell a parent that [her] child has just died from an alcohol related incident," Emergency Room Medical Director Dr. Steven Fisher said.

Panel member Susan Hall Dreher added, "[Underage drinking] is a multi-faceted issue that needs a multi-layered response."

A short question-and-comment period followed the panel discussion to wrap up the program. A few members of the audience shared their concerns and expressed their commitments to overcoming the problem at hand. One woman pointed out that the community has "a resource here at Bowdoin College."

Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay McKesson, who attended the meeting, also believes Bowdoin could play a role in this community effort. McKesson thinks that the meeting was well-intended but that the underage students themselves need to take a bigger part in resolving the problem.

"This is their issue," McKesson said.

According to McKesson, BSG has plans to contact high schools in the area and have conversations with their student governments. He believes that Bowdoin students could be "really instrumental" in tackling the issue.

In addition to diminishing underage drinking in the larger community, Rowe said that underage drinking on college campuses should also cause concern. He thinks it is important for college students to remember that their brains are still developing until about age 20.

"Damage to the brain caused by alcohol is a problem even for college students," he said.

A follow-up meeting to begin forming concrete solutions will be held on March 16 at Mid Coast Hospital.

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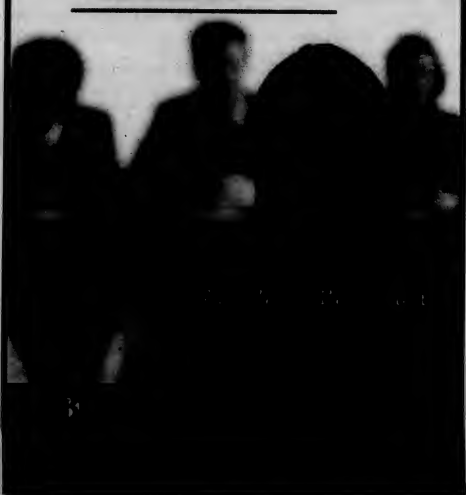
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## College house presidents debate blocking, alternatives to parties, and the efficiency of the Inter-House Council

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relationship with the College community.

### An unclear role

Nine years after the College House System was instituted in 1997, there is considerable debate concerning what role college houses should serve in the campus community.

"The biggest problem is the lack of connection between 'vision' and reality," said Helmeich House President Dan Yingst '07. "I don't feel that the college house needs to be some transformative social force working to right the inequities of college life. The role of the college house for me... is to provide a fun and safe place for people, mostly first years, to hang out, party, whatever."

The preamble to the College House System Constitution quotes the 1997 Commission on Residential Life Interim Report, which states that the College House System "was conceptualized as [promot[ing] the intellectual and personal growth of individuals and encourag[ing] mutual understanding and respect in the context of diversity." Beyond this passage, the constitution

does not mention any specific social obligation the college houses have other than to "create a positive and welcoming environment with respect to the house," and "to participate in the orientation of the incoming first-year class." Regardless, the five house presidents that could be reached for comment all indicated that hosting parties comprises a large part of their houses' identity.

Parties have outnumbered other types of events by a four to one ratio at Ladd House, according to President Alex White '08.

"I think it should be weighted on the social end, but that doesn't exclude the importance of the intellectual," said White, who cited a poetry reading and swing dancing lessons as examples of non-party events that Ladd House has held this year.

"I feel like the function that is most commonly associated with the college houses are parties," said MacMillan House President Zach Roberts '08. "The mere fact that the term 'social house' has become the preferred term is demonstrative of the perceived role that the college houses play."

The college houses are not referred to as "social houses" anywhere in the College House System Constitution or on the Office of Residential Life's web site.

Assistant Head Tour Guide for Training DeRay McKesson '07 said that, in reference to the college houses, tour guides are encouraged to "talk about the social houses when we talk about how we build and define com-

also reveal differences in opinion.

"My main frustration with [the Office of Residential Life] is that they are not selling the social houses as a way to live with your friends," said Baxter House President Brandon Sparks '08.

Last year, Sparks and 23 of his friends requested special permission to apply to Baxter House as a single block, despite Residential Life's policy to limit applications to eight students per block. They were denied their request, but were encouraged to apply in three separate blocks. Residential Life accepted two of the blocks to Baxter House but rejected the third, which included Sparks.

Sara Griffin '09 According to Sparks, the eight members of the third block were told that they could email Residential Life requesting that each member be considered as individual candidates for house residency. Though none requested consideration for individual candidacy, three, including Sparks, were sent letters of acceptance.

Sparks disagrees with the eight-person limit on block applications.

"The community of the house will dictate how successful the house will be," he said. "It's great to get enthusiastic and work hard at something with your friends, then have everyone on campus be talking about it the next day."

"Had we not done this, the [College House] system wouldn't be anywhere," he said.

Pacelli pointed out that Residential Life's blocking policies were decided by student panels, not Residential Life staff.

"Obviously it's a balancing act, and we're always open to discussion about what size would be just right," she said.

First-year Sara Griffin said that the idea of a social mixture within residents of a college house is one of the factors that motivated her to apply to live in MacMillan House next year.

"I feel like the house and the community is better served when the social dynamic is diverse," she said. "It should be less like settling down and more like branching out."

To Miller, the president of Quinby House, the success of a college house is contingent not upon social affinity or diversity among house residents, but on character dynamics.

"It's more about the people, and whether they're actually committed to the house system," he said. "You need people with leadership skills, and you need people who aren't going to be at other people's throats for leadership skills, who can follow."

Pacelli agreed.

"The most successful house dynamics aren't necessarily driven by the composition of blocks," she said, "but rather the eagerness and willingness of any configuration of house residents to commit themselves to the tasks the house wants to accomplish," she said.

### The Inter-House Council

Though its purpose is not defined in the College House System Constitution, the Inter-House Council (IHC) is an official entity whose responsibilities include "making sure that the houses are running efficiently" and "making sure that all the houses are on the same page," according to IHC President Mike LoBiondo '06.

The Council comprises LoBiondo, Vice President Tommy Long '06, Treasurer Megan MacLennan '07, and Secretary Alex Lamb '07. Each week, IHC meets with the presidents and the program chairs of each college house for approximately one hour, during which time the house representatives

coordinate programming. They can also request money from IHC's budget to finance decorations and entertainment for house events.

Some college house representatives, however, feel that IHC does not serve an essential role in the College House System.

"[IHC meetings] tend to be pointless in some respects," said Roberts, the president of MacMillan House.

Earlier this year, IHC passed a resolution that expanded the role of each house's vice president to include mandatory attendance at IHC meetings. In the same resolution, IHC adjusted the role of each house's elected historian to require that they compile a scrapbook or similar file to serve as an historical documentation of the year. Both resolutions will take effect next year.

For a committee that meets so often, house representatives indicated that discussion is often tedious and unfocused. House representatives often fail to show up to IHC meetings, and the secretary frequently neglects to circulate the minutes of each meeting after it concludes, according to Miller.

Though he allowed that IHC does "in some sense" facilitate communication between the Office of Residential Life and the college house heads, Miller said that "there are a lot of ways that the IHC could be an organization that is more effective and more helpful to the houses."

"It has its flaws, and that's an understatement," he said.

LoBiondo defended IHC, pointing out that, as long as money is being spent appropriately and houses are communicating, the council is as efficacious as it needs to be.

"As long as the houses are doing these things and working together as a system, the IHC does not need to be as involved," he said via email. "I believe the IHC has done its job in this respect."

"The IHC does not need to play an active role on campus because we have the houses to do that," he said.

Yingst, the Helmeich House president, believes that IHC tries to be too ambitious in its role.

"Often times, the IHC sort of talks itself in circles around a high-minded goal that is, unfortunately, unobtainable," he said in reference to the notion that college houses should aim to be a "transformative social force."

Miller suggested that IHC and other arguably ineffectual elements of the College House System are left over from the College's Greek days.

"The College House System wasn't created from the bottom up—it came right out of the fraternity system," Miller said, "and with it came the dinosaur of the Inter-Fraternity Council, which they changed into the Inter-House Council."

"I don't think that the College House System is as streamlined as it could be," Miller added.

To varying degrees, house members indicated that re-evaluation and reform within the College House System is necessary, though none offered a specific strategy. Pacelli suggested that the burden of reform may not be on the Office of Residential Life.

"All Bowdoin students own a stake in the houses and, in my mind, the system is only as successful as the student body in aggregate is engaged in it," she said.

### CORRECTION

The February 24 story "Bush budget proposal would cut student aid" should have said that "Bowdoin runs an Upward Bound program to help prepare low-income students for post-secondary education," not that it uses the program to attract low-income students. The Orient regrets the error.

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Sara Griffin '09

munity in the social and programming aspects."

When asked the first word that came to his mind when he heard "college house," first-year Elliot Beck said, "Drinking. Parties."

College houses are encouraged to apply for grants from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, a fund that provides money for houses to put on intellectually oriented events. Mellon grants have financed Baxter House's monthly "Loose Leaves" poetry readings, and Macmillan House's "Take a Professor to Dinner," among many other house events.

"There's a lot of opportunity for community service, but nobody does it," said Alex Bettigole '08, a resident of Quinby House.

"I would like to see a stronger focus on non-party events," said Quinby House President Joshua Miller '08, who acknowledged that parties have comprised the majority of Quinby House events so far this year. Miller is also an Orient section editor.

Miller said that, in his opinion, the ratio of parties to other types of events should be "at least about equal."

"With the resources available, a lot more could be done," Bettigole said.

Still, house leaders and residents are quick to point out the ways that college house parties benefit the campus community.

Sophomore Michael Glantz, a Quinby House resident, believes that the primary function of the College House System is to provide first years the opportunity to meet new people, a sentiment that Miller echoed.

"Parties serve an essential function, especially at the beginning of the year for students meeting each other," Miller said. "I think that they serve an essential function for sophomores to continue friendships, make new friendships, and meet the [first years] in ways they wouldn't otherwise [have been able to]."

"A party can really be a boon to the whole social fabric of the school," he said.

Roberts, who acknowledged that underage drinking often occurs at college house parties, remarked that such events create a safe environment that nurtures a responsible approach to alcohol use among first years.

"It demystifies underage drinking to the point that people are more responsible. If drinking is criminalized, then it creates a less safe atmosphere," he said, predicting that if the College took a harder line against underage beer consumption, it would result in more hard alcohol abuse and binge drinking among first years.

### House dynamics

Questions concerning the college houses' role in the community dynamic are not the only source of debate; questions concerning intra-house dynamics

from their service trips.

"Each trip will have a section," said Seames. "Some are journals, some are responses after returning."

After a year of planning and with the trips fast approaching, Seames has high hopes. "They've been getting better and better every year, and we have every reason to believe they will continue to do so," she said.

## Sixty-six students join Alternative Spring Break trips to locations in three continents

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organization that focuses on protecting children from the slums. There, trip participants will give English lessons to local students.

After the trips return, there will be a presentation held in Smith Union titled "Perspectives," which will feature students' reflections after coming home

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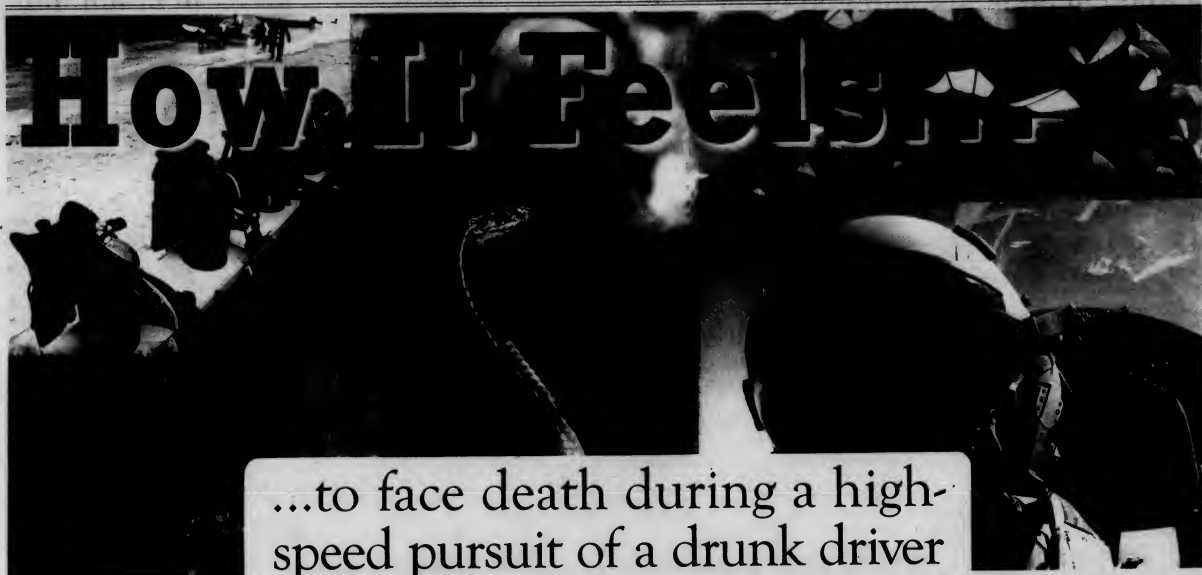
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## ...to face death during a high-speed pursuit of a drunk driver

**I**t was back in February, 1981, and I had been a trooper on the road for about two years. It was a Saturday night. The conditions were dry. I was on patrol on Route 302 in the Windham area which is over by Sebago Lake. This two-tone blue Chevy El Camino—I remember exactly what this vehicle looks like to this day—with a drunk driver at the wheel had swerved or something so I spun

around and went after him. By the time I spun around, which only took an instant, he was already almost out of sight. He had turned down Route 115. He had seen me and had stepped on it. At that time of the night the traffic was light, and he had stepped it up to close to 100 [miles per hour] so I did the same. He turned right on the Falmouth Road, which is just a two-lane country road—no paved

shoulders or anything. So we're flying down the Falmouth Road and his taillights are way up ahead of me, and I knew there was a corner up ahead. I was going, oh, 90-plus [mph] to try to overtake him, and the first corner comes up. It was a left-hand corner, and I braked accordingly and accelerated out of the apex of the curve. When you go into those curves at high speed—you know we're well-trained at

high speed driving—you go into the corner and you have to brake down the critical speed of that curve. If the critical speed of that curve is, say, 50 miles an hour, and you go into it at 51, there's nothing you can do. You're going to go out of control. The critical speed is it. It's really the maximum velocity at which you can take the curve. So you break down to the critical speed of the curve and then you

accelerate out of it. So right in the center of the curve, you're tromping right back down on the gas, which is what I did. And I came out of that curve just blazing, just accelerating. But I forgot about the next curve. It skipped my mind. I had taken the left curve and then the road went down a ways and took a right, and I was still acceler-

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## How to care for your (very) intoxicated friends

### Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: Is it true that alcohol reduces the effectiveness of birth control pills? —A.P.

Dear A.P.: Nope. Alcohol does not reduce the contraceptive effectiveness of birth control pills (other than possibly making it easier to forget to take them—or, if you get sick, from keeping them down). Birth control pills, on the other hand, probably somewhat increase the effects of alcohol.



Dear Dr. Jeff: I was helping a certain very drunk somebody the other night so they wouldn't fall into the toilet, and I was thinking that people should really be better informed about how to care for their inebriated friends, roommates, partners, and themselves. —W.D.

Dear W.D.: I think you're right about that.

Friends who've had too much to drink need to be cared for. The kind of care depends on how much they've had to drink, how much you've had to drink, and what else you all may have been doing besides drinking (using other substances, for instance, or taking over-the-counter or prescription medications.)

The obvious and most important

first thing to do is to make sure that your friends don't have any more to drink. Sit them down in a quiet place, and try to assess their condition.

Your friends' reflexes and coordination are probably quite impaired, so walking around may not be a great idea. Make sure they're kept warm. High blood alcohol levels can actually lower their body temperature, even if they feel warm.

If your friends are thirsty, willing, and able to drink a little water on their own, that's probably fine. Alcohol's a diuretic after all, and heavy drinking causes dehydration. Re-hydration won't make your friends sober up any faster, but it may help them feel better the next day. Avoid coffee. It's a diuretic as well, and may further irritate an already irritated stomach. It won't sober them up either, but it may keep them from sleeping later on.

Eating's probably not a great idea, at least in any quantity. It could make your friends feel sicker and more likely to vomit. Eating food while drinking, on the other hand, might have been part of a healthier drinking strategy, insofar as it might have slowed down the absorption of alcohol.

Here's a tricky part. If your friends start to feel sick and need to get to a bathroom, the safe (and noble) thing to do is to go with them. Their balance and coordination will be off, and they might slip and fall. They'll need steadying in the bathroom, they may need help cleaning up, and they'll definitely need help getting safely



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back.

If your friends need to lie down, get them onto their side, and get some pillows wedged behind their back and front to prevent them from rolling over. Vomiting while lying flat on your back can lead to choking. Vomiting while lying flat on your stomach can be very dangerous as well, if you're so weak or drunk that you can't lift your face out of the way.

How can you tell if your friends are alcohol poisoned?

-If they're asleep, but can't be woken up.

-If they're breathing less than 12 times a minute (less than once every 5 seconds) or if their breathing stops for longer than 10 seconds.

-If their skin is cold, pale and clammy, or their lips bluish in color.

All of these are signs of acute alcohol poisoning, and anyone in this condition needs to be evaluated and treated in a hospital emergency room urgently.

Remember: no one has ever been kicked out of Bowdoin for just being intoxicated. Don't ever be afraid to get help. If you are in doubt about someone's condition, always err on the side of caution and get your friends the help they may need before it's too late. Call Security, a proctor or R.A., or an ambulance.

Be well! And look after each other!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center



# A Look Back

Clippings from the Archives

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Brush the dust off the cover, and open an old issue of the Orient. The fragile pages transport you back through the decades. Fraternities re-emerge, women disappear from the classrooms. Rather than protest wars, students join Officers' Training Corps. Which brings us to 1917. That spring, social activities revolved around fraternity smokings, football games, and track meets. The shooting and fencing clubs were active. In Brunswick, arguments were presented "for and against women's suffrage."

But the big issue that spring was unquestionably the war in Europe. The United States did not declare war on Germany until early April, but the start of the semester already found the student body excited. Many students believed it was a question of when the United States would enter the war, not if. Former students came back to campus to share their experiences with the Ambulance Corps at the end of January. One month later, there was active talk of Bowdoin hosting an Officers' Training Corps.

Many activities on campus were cancelled at this time, including sporting events, but social activities did continue, even as students were leaving Bowdoin to enlist. The school was growing, too. Hyde Dorm was in the final planning stages, and the Dudley Coe Infirmary was nearly completed.

## BOWDOIN AMBULANCE PROPOSED

"France has one man out of every six in the war" said Loyall F. Sewall ex-17, and throughout a very pertinent and graphic lecture, delivered in the Union last Wednesday evening, he emphasized the enormous sacrifices France is making in the present war and the comparatively little that we, as a peaceful nation, are

doing to help her.

Carlton M. Pike '17 who also spoke very ably during the course of the evening, left with Sewall to join the Ambulance Corps last February. Mr. Pike had a remarkably fine collection of slides taken in France, which were shown in connection with the lecture. The slides were particularly good, considering the great difficulty of taking pictures almost "anywhere in France."

Sewall spoke very feelingly on different phases of the war. The Allies, he thought, would ultimately triumph, although the Germans were still obsessed with the mania of ruling the world.

Pike, speaking last, dwelt at length on the "American Ambulance Field Service." He told of the beginning of the work, of the wealthy Americans who placed their cars at the service of the Allies for the transit of wounded men, of the coming of various college men to act as chauffeurs and lastly of the present day service, by which the wounded men are taken directly to Paris.

Dean Sills, who introduced the speakers, commented upon the fact that Bowdoin College and the town of Brunswick were both represented in the world of caring for the injured men, and also expressed his pleasure at this. He included an appeal to the people of Brunswick for more aid in the activities of the American Ambulance Field Service which both lecturers strongly seconded.

As a result of the talk, the agitation was started to provide for a Bowdoin ambulance at the front. While it would be one of the most heroic undertakings which the College has yet attempted, the fact that both alumni and undergraduates are so actively engaged at the front will make the matter a vital one. Dean Sills was appointed the head of the committee in charge of the campaign. Several other colleges have ambulances at the front, and there is a strong possibility that Bowdoin will also be represented.

## NEW DORMITORY IS ASSURED

Bowdoin will have [a] new dormitory when the College opens in the fall. The new hall will resemble the three historic dormitories from the exterior except that there will be two doorways facing the campus. The rooms will be more conveniently arranged than in Winthrop, Maine, and Appleton, for it is planned that the corner rooms will have two bedrooms, while the inside rooms will have running hot and cold water....

The building, although it will not be fire proof, will be "slow burning." The roof will be covered with copper.

The erection of the new hall will alleviate the present crowded conditions and it will not be necessary for students to room off the campus next year. The room rents in the new hall will be somewhat higher than those in the other three, but the difference will not be great enough to make the new hall a "Gold Coast." The name of the new building has not yet been determined. It will be located in the position which has always been picked for the fourth dormitory, between South Appleton and the Zeta Psi house.

## PRESIDENT'S NAME FOR NEW DORMITORY

A letter to the alumni and friends of the College, signed by Dean Sills, president of the General Alumni Association, and by the president and advisory committee of the Alumni Council, has recently been sent out, asking for contributions to the fund of approximately \$80,000 needed for the new dormitory to house sixty-two students.

The letter especially proposes that the new dormitory be named "William DeWitt Hyde Hall," in recognition of President Hyde's able and faithful service through more than thirty years. Under his efficient administration the number of professors, the number of students, and the funds of the College have all more than doubled. The Hubbard Library Building, the Walker Art Building, the Searles Science Building, the new gymnasium, the General Thomas W. Hyde Athletic Building, the Dudley Coe Memorial Infirmary, Whittier Field and all the chapter houses have been built, and the whole tone of the College has been distinctly raised.

## ONLY ONE HUNDRED Orient Editorial

Failure to grasp an opportunity seems to be the cause of the comparatively small registration in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps. Bowdoin has been singularly fortunate to secure an army officer at this time when trained soldiers are so in demand and the enrollment of only a third of the student body in the corps seems scant appreciation of the opportunity the War Department has given us. There are many larger colleges which have been unable to secure an army officer or the equipment which we have.

The first flush of war enthusiasm which drove every student into some form of military or naval training last April has passed and we are ready to settle down to earnest work. The R.O.T.C. served in many cases as a safety valve for restlessness last spring but the Plattsburg record of those trained under Captain White shows that the course was highly practical. The war is by no means over yet. If Kerensky is not able to retain his control upon Russia or if Germany can weather another winter, we may all have an opportunity to serve in the trenches. In the new draft armies, there will be ample opportunity for men in the ranks to obtain commissions and those who start with a knowledge of the rudiments of military science will have a great advantage from the outset. The criticism has been raised that the military activities will interfere with athletics. They will, to some extent. They have interfered with many things, the existence of men and of cities, and the well-laid plans of millions. They have prevented many colleges from having athletics at all. It is well that we keep athletics running here, but the keeping of men from military that the college may score another touchdown seems out of keeping with the spirit of the country. It will be well for the two hundred men who have decided against military training to give it further consideration before finally refusing to take advantage of the opportunity.

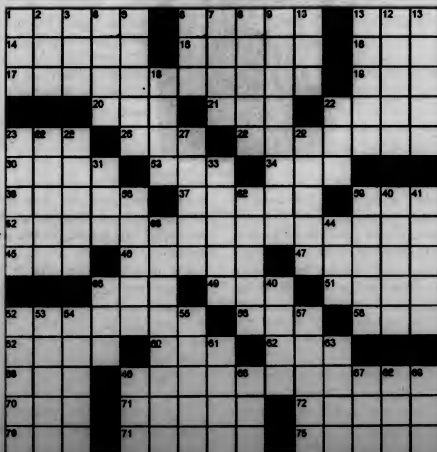


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"In spite of the war excitement at Bowdoin, and the probable absence of many students next year, William DeWitt Hyde Hall is progressing rapidly. The construction began scarcely a month ago, and already the brick walls have risen up towards a second floor."

## WEEKLY CROSSWORD: HARMONIZING TOGETHER

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For a new puzzle and answers to this puzzle, see the next issue of the Orient, to be published on March 31.

## SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE





## ...to embrace an odd coincidence

Starting in Crete, I went by ferry to Athens, up to Yugoslavia, and across the bottom part of Europe to meet a friend in Madrid. I got there after four or five days on the train traveling and he wasn't there.

He left a note for me in the lobby of his apartment building telling me to meet him and another mutual friend down in a city called Seville. We were to meet five days hence. I said, "Well OK, a little more travel down."

He also said that this friend that we have in common was staying in a small town called Jerez de la Frontera, where they make dry sack sherry, and if I wanted to meet up with a person a little earlier, I could meet up with this guy in Jerez.

A couple of days later, I left Madrid and went down to meet my friend. I was supposed to meet him in the *oficio del turismo*, the tourist office, in this town around a certain time on a certain day. This was all hearsay, though, because I heard all this through another person. But I thought, "Well I'll go to another place. Without too much expectation, I'll go down there, and if I meet him, that's great."

And so I went down and spent the day in the small town called Jerez, wandering the streets and trying to figure out where the *oficio del turismo*, with no knowledge at all of Spanish. I just kept saying "¿Donde está la oficina del turismo?" Nobody in the town could help me. Though, I think they understood minimally what I was asking for, but they couldn't help me because as it turns out, the office didn't exist.

At the same time there was a bike race going on in town, which was pretty interesting. There were lots of people packed in the small town, with bikes cruising through. The race was just around the city. They would go through these different loops and come back

every so often. It was lots of fun to watch.

So, after searching for the rendezvous point, I kind of gave up. Again, it would've been nice to see him, but a couple days later I would be meeting with more people. I went around looking for a place to stay. I finally decided to stay at the third or fourth one that I went to. It seemed to look reasonable, and I could afford it.

I gave them my passport, and I went upstairs and hung out in the room for a little bit of time, finally getting a little rest after wandering the town for awhile.

Later, I went downstairs to go out and get a bite to eat, and I asked for my passport back, and the guy, handed me a passport.

I was walking out the door, and for no reason I could understand, I opened it up and looked at it, and it was my friend's passport. The weird part about it was that he was staying in the room next to me. And there I had been wandering around the town for most of the day trying to find him, like a needle in a haystack. All of a sudden there he was, right next door to me. It was odd that I looked at the passport, because I could've just pocketed it without looking. And he doesn't look anything like me. So, it wouldn't be that the guy at the hotel looked at the passport and looked at me and screwed it up. It wasn't that. I couldn't figure out why, except for the fact that we share the same nationality.

So it was a fun, inadvertent coincidence. I guess the idea is that sometimes, the harder you look for something, the less likely you are to find it. And when you stop looking, it appears. That's one tale that I remember and sort of think about.

—Mike Kolster as told to Joshua Miller. Kolster is a photographer and an assistant professor of visual arts.

## ...to go polar bearing in Maine

I feel damn cold, that's what it feels like. We, the Polar Bearing Club, go out once or twice a month to various beaches like Small Point or Popham or Fort Popham. The etiquette of polar bearing is, well, we all try to go in the water at the same time. We all strip down and then it's sort of a "one, two, three" and then we all run in. We wait until everyone is in and then everyone dunks their head under the water at the same time and everyone gets all the way wet. After that, we run our asses back to the car. Usually your hair is frozen and your feet go numb. At Popham Beach it's like a quarter-mile back to the car; at other beaches, you can park closer to the water, but regardless, you get back to the car as quickly as possible to warm up. One trip, in December of last year, we all ran out into the water except along the water's edge there was about six inches of ice. Half of us slipped and fell in which was rather unpleasant. But we were in the water which was our whole goal to begin with, I suppose.

Polar bearing is a cool thing to do. It's fun and refreshing, as bizarre as that seems. And it's a good way to get out of the whole Bowdoin studying-until-God-knows-when mindset.

—Brendan "Mort" Mortimer as told to Joshua Miller. Mortimer is the "co-dictator for life" of the Bowdoin Polar Bear Club (PBC) with Ian Kyle.



Karsten Moran, The Bowdoin Orient

## ...to face death during a high-speed pursuit of a drunk driver

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ating on that short straightaway before that next curve and I went into the curve, I went into the apex of that curve at 90, which is impossible. You cannot make that turn. Nobody could. Mario Andretti couldn't do it. It's just impossible. So I'm into the center of the curve at 90 miles an hour and I realize that I blew it. The only thing I do at that point is put the brake all the way to the floor, locked up everything and the tires are screeching, and I'm going straight ahead off the road at the center of that curve. I'm holding on to the wheel at the three-o'clock and nine-o'clock position. I'm not wearing a seatbelt mind you because, for some reason, I didn't have my seatbelt on, and I'm going straight because my wheel is locked up and once your wheels are locked up, you can't turn. Everything is straight. The woods are coming up and, wouldn't you know it, right dead center—on my hood ornament—coming right at me is a pine tree about three feet across. It was a very old, stately pine tree and I'm headed right for it, breaks locked up, not slowing down a bit, going something like 85 or 90 miles an hour. I then found what the word is that you say when you know you're going to die. It's not "oh shit," but it's "no." I went "nooooo!"—just "n" with a bunch of "ohs" and an exclamation point.

Death was staring me right in the face. Brake all the way down. Hand on the wheel. Tree coming right at me that I'm going to hit dead on. And I'm screaming "nooooo!"

No airbags. I was driving a 1980 Dodge Saint Regis. Probably about within 20 feet of the tree—which is nothing at that speed—at the last instant, I had the presence of mind to let up off the break which allowed me to get a little bit of steering back. At that point it was a panic brake because I needed to slow down. But before you can turn you have got to let off the brake or you can turn that wheel all you want, but you're still going to go straight. Up off the brake, allowed me to turn just about—just to turn the wheel a couple inches. So instead of taking the tree head on, I sideswiped it on the right side of my cruiser. There was a low-hanging branch, a big, thick, low-hanging branch, coming right out from the tree only a few feet from the ground. I sideswiped the trunk, hit the low branch and the branch came through my windshield, peeled part of the roof back, obliterated my blue light bar on the top of my cruiser. I'm ducking, of course, going in, hanging on.

Now, I'm going through the woods still going about 80 miles an hour chopping trees down as I go further into the woods.

All the while, I'm going "nooooo!"

because I don't want to die

And then a bigger tree started to come up, and when I hit that, it was too big to break. I hit the tree, my body went forward, there's no windshield left, I slid under, injured my knee pretty badly, and my head went forward on impact and I hit my mouth on the steering column.

And then everything came to a stop.

It was dark and there was a hissing sound coming from the steam escaping from the engine. I thought that I had broken all my teeth because I had hit my mouth so hard. I was chomping down on hard stuff, loose hard stuff in my mouth and

there was lots of blood. I reached up and felt my mouth and all my teeth were there. First thing I did, I reached in my mouth and picked out the hard stuff—pieces of safety glass. I had a mouth full of safety glass because I was hollering "nooooo!" with my mouth wide open so when the windshield shattered, I got a mouth full of safety glass.

All the doors were jammed so I had to get out my side window, which was smashed out. I realized that I had a back injury, which actually plagued me for years until I had back surgery. A man with a flashlight from across the street had come to see what had happened. When he saw me, he ran back and called rescue.

I was in shock and the next thing I knew, it seemed like there were 100 people there: rescue, police, fire, everyone you can imagine.

What I really remember at that point is being in the ambulance, lying down on the stretcher being transported to the hospital in Portland just as happy as I could be. I was smiling. I was joking with the ambulance attendants. I was just so glad to be alive. I should have been dead! I could not have cared less where the guy went who got away—there's another day for that. I was just so thrilled to be alive.

The accident totally destroyed my cruiser, gave me injuries that I lived with for many years at various levels, but I was just thrilled. I had a ball in the ambulance because it was just the most beautiful ambulance I had ever seen because I'm alive, and I'm happy. [...]

I remember that when they went back to the scene of the accident to investigate, they found my glasses and my hat in the woods 60 feet in front of the vehicle. They had just flown right out through the windshield that was not there. [...]

This experience had a lot to do with the real commitment that I developed over the year for safety and the safety field in general—alcohol and drug safety, but highway safety especially. And I always wore my seatbelt after that.

—Randy Nichols as told to Joshua Miller. Nichols is the director of the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.

# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Students bring campus 'Home'



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

"Home," a musical written and composed by seniors Mike LoBiondo, Davin Michaels, and James Nylund, opened last night in Pickard Theater and starred, among others, Jesse Ferguson '06 and Luke Wilson '06 (above).

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

"Home," the musical that began during a drive from New Jersey to Bowdoin almost three years ago, finally comes to Pickard Theater March 2 to 4 at 8 p.m. Davin Michaels '06, Michael LoBiondo '06, and James Nylund '06 spent a major part of their time at Bowdoin producing this musical about four friends struggling with the challenges that come with graduating. It also focuses on a couple who has to make a choice about where home is after graduation; one lives in New York and the other in New Jersey.

"We wrote it before graduation because it's not supposed to be post-graduates reflecting on life after college, but it's what we imagine it will be," Michaels said.

"It's not intended to be realistic, but we were thinking about stereotypes and dramatizing to the extreme," Michaels, who wrote the 80-page book that "Home" is based on, also added that the post-college life in the musical has become more applicable now that the three are seniors.

That immediacy, however, does not mean that they pretend to know what they are talking about.

"We haven't been in these shoes and we're not trying to teach anything," Nylund said. "It's just our

jokes and guesses."

The three seniors do find familiarity in the settings of the musical: New York and New Jersey. LoBiondo and Nylund are both from New Jersey, and Michaels is from New York.

"New Jersey is an absurd place to live," LoBiondo said, "and a lot of it is being able to poke fun at yourself on stage."

The absurdity that LoBiondo attaches to New Jersey and the stereotypes also add to the major satirical element of the musical, which pits the typical New Jersey Italians against New York's Upper East Siders.

"It's a satire on making the differences between New York and New Jersey seem like night and day, and it also makes fun of musicals and other theater conventions," Michaels said.

While Michaels wrote the book, LoBiondo and Nylund spent the last three semesters taking composition classes and doing independent studies in order to compose the music and write the lyrics for "Home." Though the two have very different composing styles, Nylund said that he and LoBiondo "took themes from each other to make it mesh better."

"The hardest part was learning how to write music and having to actually write it at the same time," LoBiondo said.

Thanks to help from Assistant

Professor of Music Vineet Shende, who both LoBiondo and Nylund said was "crucial" in creating the musical, the seniors were able to develop their musical styles and composing skill. They even orchestrate a 10-person pit over Winter Break.

In addition to Shende, the creators of "Home" also said that bringing the musical to the stage would not have been possible without Associate Professor of Theater Davis Robinson or the cast. Some of the cast members have been in the minds of the creators since they first thought of the idea freshman year, when they were inspired to write a musical after seeing "Into the Woods."

Michaels cited all the hard work that the cast put into the project. "Everyone's just dropped what they're doing for the last month to work on it," he said.

Even if it isn't a realistic view of what life will be like after graduation, "Home" gives an avenue to laugh at what's to come.

"It is the first time in life finding a new home, and you can choose anywhere on the map," Nylund said.

It is especially easy to laugh in the crazy worlds of New York and New Jersey. Since the three still call these areas home, it's appropriate that Michaels said, "We write about what we know."

LoBiondo added, "Just home."

## College to welcome Shepard, 'Laramie'

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

A college student, Matthew Shepard, was beaten and left to die because of his sexual orientation in Laramie, Wyoming, in October of 1998.

On Tuesday, his mother Judy Shepard will speak on campus.

As part of her son's fight for social justice, Shepard travels nationwide to spread awareness of hate crimes and advocate for gay rights. The funds that she raises are used to finance the charitable Matthew Shepard Foundation.

Numerous organizations on the Bowdoin campus contributed to bringing Shepard here to speak.

"I was extremely pleased with how easy it actually was to get her to come to campus," said Co-President of the Bowdoin Queer-Straight Alliance (BQSA) Daniel Robinson '07. "At first I was discouraged by the size of her fee, but once I started

looking for cosponsors, I realized that because so many people wanted her to come it wouldn't be hard to raise the money."

Shepard's appearance is being sponsored by the BQSA, the Women's Resource Center, the Gay and Lesbian Studies Department, and the Mellon Fund, among others.

"I am hoping that the audience that leaves Judy Shepard's presentation will have an idea of how an intense hatred of a few can ruin the lives of many," said Robinson.

Shepard will be on campus this week in conjunction with the performance of "The Laramie Project."

"The Laramie Project" was written in response to Matthew Shepard's brutal murder. The play, written by Moisés Kaufman and members of the Tectonic Theater Project, uses only eight actors but draws from the stories of over 60 residents of Laramie, Wyoming, in the year following

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## Seniors make art with prints, etch-a-sketches

### Senior Portraits

Third in a series

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Throughout this semester, 16 seniors will present art exhibitions signifying the culmination of their artistic careers at Bowdoin. This week, the Orient corresponded with seniors Anna Shapell and Drew Friedmann, whose honors exhibitions will be on view in the Visual Arts Center (VAC) from March 4 through March 30.

**The Bowdoin Orient:** Describe your senior art project. What inspired it, and how did you execute it?

**Anna Shapell:** My project is purely non-representational. It

focuses on movement, energy of mark-making, color, line, shape, and dimension. The project is inspired by my own lifestyle; printmaking processes require a lot of energy, and I like fusing a traditionally procedure-based art form with my more frenetic approach to activities.

**Drew Friedmann:** My project is, basically, a bunch of etch-a-sketches. I am the opposite of Anna in style and most everything else. I particularly enjoy the precision that is possible with etchings—even though I don't really like doing etchings.

**BO:** What were your goals for your project? Did you meet those goals? Did they change during the process?

**AS & DF:** Both of us had a pretty clear idea of what we wanted our show to look like at the beginning of

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## Art Union gallery opens in Smith

by Jesse Drummond  
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It may still be the middle of a Maine winter, but a group of students have figured out how to make life a little more colorful.

At the beginning of last semester, Carl Klimt '06, Kerry O'Connor '06, and Honora Dunham '07 decided to start a new art group at Bowdoin that, according to Klimt, would be "a simple way to bring color to a very gray state."

Sparked by a class with Professor of Art Mark Wethli, the three students started Art Union, a group dedicated to making art more prevalent on campus. Without a political message or statement of any kind,

Art Union is an open forum where students can appreciate art for art's sake and join others who want to participate in many different forms of art.

Over the past semester, they have chalked various sidewalks around campus, had a show in the Visual Arts Center (VAC), and put food-coloring on snowballs outside Searles, which was "a colorful bit of jubilation" according to Klimt. They also drew a giant target, more well-known as notorious multi-colored crop circles, on the quad.

This semester has brought many changes to Art Union. What began as three students with a handful of sidewalk chalk has become a group with 65 members who have weekly

meetings in Moulton Union. The most notable change was the opening of their very own gallery in Smith Union in the room near the pool tables, where the big-screen TV used to be. The gallery, much like Art Union itself, is open to any student who wants a show. The gallery is currently housing a display of student art.

In addition to providing a place to share ideas about art, Art Union also helps students see their ideas come to fruition. The process is simple but effective, where any student who is serious and enthusiastic can propose and carry out an idea. Students suggest projects to the

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Shapell's exhibition, which comprises prints such as these, will open along with Drew Friedmann's etch-a-sketch exhibition on Saturday.



# And the Oscar goes to...

Top 10 and Oscar predictions from the Orient's resident film fanatic

by Mike  
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## TOP 10 OF 2005:

1) **BACKDRAFT MOUNTAIN**—Not only the best film of the year, but also a landmark film sociologically, as it tells the story of two cowboys in the 1960s who are in love but unsure of how to act out their emotions in a society that will not allow them to be together.

2) **A HISTORY OF VIOLENCE**—Working in a less respected genre, David Cronenberg crafts his best film yet, a masterful thriller that examines the true nature of violence and its impact on not only the people directly involved but also American society at large.

3) **GRIZZLY MAN**—This documentary on the fascinating life of Timothy Treadwell, a man who chose to live with Grizzly bears rather than humans, presents the conflicting views on life and man vs. nature of the protagonist and director, Werner Herzog.

4) **MATCH POINT**—Woody Allen stuns in this romantic thriller with his long-awaited return to form, which explores class issues and their potentially deadly impacts in current-day London.

5) **2046**—

This hypnotic mood piece from Wong Kar-Wai explores nostalgia for lost love and its impact on the present.

6) **GOOD NIGHT, AND GOOD LUCK**—George Clooney's take on McCarthyism finds true resonance in its applicability to current-day politics as well as through David Strathairn's commanding performance.

7) **THE BEAT THAT MY HEART SKIPPED**—

This French remake of "Fingers" improves on the original as it explores the dichotomy of the restless protagonist, torn between the artistic and violent.

8) **CAPOTE**—

Phillip Seymour Hoffman's performance goes beyond mere mimicry to delve into the conflict between compassion for humans, and the demands of art as he writes "In Cold Blood."

9) **THE 40 YEAR OLD VIRGIN**—

This film has already made a name for itself in theaters, and now it's on DVD. It's a comedy about a man who is a virgin and has to deal with the consequences of that.

10) **THE LAST AIR MAN**—

This film is a masterpiece of visual and under-represented performance, gave viewers the fullest film available in the theater this year.

## OSCAR PREDICTIONS:

**BEST PICTURE:** After winning the Globe, Directors Guild, Producers Guild, and the top critic prizes, "Brokeback Mountain" has this one all sewn up.

**Will Win:** "Brokeback Mountain." **Should Win:** "Brokeback Mountain." **Should've Been Nominated:** "A History of Violence."

**BEST DIRECTOR:** Ang Lee has been snubbed before, most notably for "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon," expect that streak to definitively end on Sunday night.

**Will Win:** Ang Lee, "Brokeback

Mountain."

**Should Win:** Ang Lee, "Brokeback Mountain"

**Should've Been Nominated:** Wong Kar-Wai, 2046

**BEST ACTRESS:** Reese's competitors will be left on the sidelines as this legally talented movie star, who did her own vocals, finally gets her chance to shine as Julia Roberts's heir.

**Will Win:** Reese Witherspoon, "Walk the Line."

**Should Win:** Reese Witherspoon, "Walk the Line."

**Should've Been Nominated:** Joan Allen, "The Upside of Anger."

**BEST ACTOR:** Hoffman's socratic and the Academy's fondness for biopics should garner success for his role as writer Truman Capote.

**Will Win:** Philip Seymour Hoffman, "Capote."

**Should Win:** Heath Ledger, "Brokeback Mountain"

**Should've Been Nominated:** Viggo Mortenson, "A History of Violence."

**BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS:** At first it looked like a wide open race with no clear frontrunner. But then Rachel Weisz won the Globe and the SAG and she should complete that trifecta with the Oscar here.

**Will Win:** Rachel Weisz, "The Constant Gardener."

**Should Win:** Michelle Williams, "Brokeback Mountain."

**Should've Been Nominated:** Maria Bello, "A History of Violence."

**BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR:**

This category is up in the air, but comes down to George Clooney, who won the Globe, Paul Giamatti, who won the SAG, and the dark horse, BAFTA winner Jake Gyllenhaal. But Clooney's weight gain and bona fide movie star status give him the edge.

**Will Win:** George Clooney, "Syriana"

**Should Win:** William Hurt, "A History of Violence."

**Should've Been Nominated:** Mickey Rourke, "Sin City."

**BEST ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY:** With six nominations and the WGA award, this is the likeliest place for "Crash" to pick up an Oscar.

**Will Win:** "Crash."

**Should Win:** "Good Night, and Good Luck."

**Should've Been Nominated:** "The 40 Year Old Virgin"

**BEST ADAPTED SCREENPLAY:** "Brokeback" has dominated this category all season, nearly sweeping the board, and will no doubt take home today's award.

**Will Win:** "Brokeback Mountain."

**Should Win:** "Brokeback Mountain."

**Should've Been Nominated:** "The Beat That My Heart Skipped."

**BEST FOREIGN FILM:** A race between two ultra-political, violent films: "Thotsi" from South Africa and "Paradise Now" from Palestine.

"Paradise" won the Globe, but the buzz on "Tsotsi" grew as the nomination period closed. This one could truly go either way.

**BEST ANIMATED FILM:** After their animation studio burned down in the fall, "Wallace & Gromit" had this one all sewn up.

**BEST DOCUMENTARY FILM:** This past summer, those lovable penguins waddled away with the second prize; penguins for a doc ever; "March of the Penguins" will do the same.

# Cheap films awarded cheap fruit

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Another year, another Academy Awards to put us plain folk in our place. At the podium, celebrities will spout crocodile-tears for the golden trophy, and on the red carpet, Charlize Theron's midriff will be draped in a designer version of our college tuition. For this country's finest performers and filmmakers, the glitz and glory are well-deserved perks, but for the ordinary filmgoer, the ceremony's creed of self-congratulation may feel a bit lopsided.

That's because, as any ordinary Joe knows from experience, Hollywood is a two-faced industry. If you've ever plunked down 10 clams for a Ducea Bigelow sequel (it's alright, we're all friends here), or found yourself distressed by the number of films with the word "Vs." in their title, you may not even recognize the smug air of integrity that this Sunday's ceremony will likely exude. Where's the money-grubbing, soul-snatching Tinseltown we all know and love? Where's the industry that, for every wonderful weeper like "Brokeback Mountain," burns us with opuses of awfulness along the lines of, say, "Cheaper by the Dozen 2"?

To remind everyone of Hollywood's darker side (and provide the dash of revenge that we little people thrive on), the Annual Golden Raspberry Awards will do just fine. In their 25th year of preempting the Oscars with a mock ceremony, the Razzies will again make it their business to "dis-honor" the worst that American cinema has to offer, which seems to be in consistently greater abundance than its output of quality pictures.

In fact, Hollywood's penchant for celluloid baloney is so reliable that this reviewer hasn't even seen a single nominee for the 2005 worst picture Razzie, yet can still assert that they would all make lousy cat litter, let alone entertaining movies. If a choice must be made, however, "Son of the Mask," a most unnecessary sequel from the deep recesses of the Hollywood rendering plant, looked downright stinky, and I hear it featured a digitized dancing baby. Needless to say, it gets my vote.

Past its mission statement of vilification (their web site smiley face screams, "Creaming cinematic crap for 25 years!"), the Razzies operate in much the same way as the Academy Awards. Noms for the worst picture category tend to sweep the whole show, making out like the laurel-studded "Ben Hur"

category of dance filmmaking. "The Dukes of Hazzard," for example, is up for seven Razzies this year including worst film and worst on-screen couple, thanks to Jessica Simpson and her Daisy Dukes. As the Oscars usually contend, it takes a village to make a good movie, and the Razzies counter that the same goes for an exquisitely bad one.

The Golden Raspberry is also no stranger to legacy. If you thought Meryl Streep had a stranglehold over Academy voters, take a look at poor Sylvester Stallone, who over the course of a single decade was nominated a whopping seven times. His action star grimace and trademark lack of skill earned him the illustrious honor of being named the Worst Actor of the Century, proof that as far as the Razzies are concerned, once you go bad, you never go back.

If the Raspberries seem harsh, they're meant to be. The award itself, a spray painted citrus fruit with an estimated value of \$4.95, recalls that pucker-up face that only a truly terrible and usually costly night at the movies can conjure up. But besides serving as a tacky insult, the Razzie seems to be an emblem of solidarity in a tough industry where money talks, artists struggle, and movie audiences are notoriously unpredictable. The Hollywood that banks on terrible remakes is the same Hollywood that gives us our Academy masterpieces, after all, and with fingers on the pulse of both industry machinery and

public fickleness (this year's new category: Most Tiresome Tabloid Target), the Golden Raspberries disparage but also affirm the notions of a business and populace in which the line between fame and infamy is about the width of a swizzle stick.

Last year's ceremony provided the best example of said Razzie unity when Halle Berry took the unprecedented step of accepting her worst actress award for "Catwoman" in person (I assure you, far more tears were shed by that film's audience than Ms. Berry spilled during her Oscar win the previous year). To thunderous applause, she posed in double-fisted triumph between her Golden Raspberry and Academy statuette in an appropriate fusion of Tinseltown's two halves.

So if the sugar of the Oscars seems a tad too sweet, balance it out with the tart of the Golden Raspberries. The yin and yang of the movie biz can't be immortalized any better than with its annual expose of the worst of Hollywood. A certain American actor of "On the Waterfront" and gauze-in-the-mouth Godfather fame once said, "The only reason I'm in Hollywood is that I don't have the moral courage to refuse the money." Such an honest admission deserves an honest reward, and, low and behold, for the rambunctious remake of "The Island of Dr. Moreau," even the incomparable Marlon Brando earned himself his very own, bona-fide Razzie.



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

Johnny Knoxville and Sean William Scott have been nominated for seven Golden Raspberry awards, including one for worst film.

# Wines for a classy Spring Break

by Hillary Matlin  
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Spring break is tantalizingly close, and I, for one, cannot wait. In order to keep myself occupied, I am attempting to clean out all my quotidian wines so I have lots of room for the goodies I'm planning on purchasing while on vacation. Below are three that I've finished and rather enjoyed.

**SAINT-HILAIRE 2002 BLANC DE BLANCS BRUT (\$13.99 at Provisions)**

I admit, I drank most of this for breakfast in mimosas. My tasters and I found it to be quite good, since the dryness and the toasted flavor balance out the sweetness of the juice. When I drank it without juice, we noticed a grapey taste amid the toasted.

**ALTOS DE LA HOYA 2004 MONASTRELL (\$10.99 at Provisions)**

This one received mixed reviews from my tasters. One said, "fruity

overtones, terrible aftertaste, may be rancid." Upon informing her that it was, in fact, fine, she replied "I don't like the taste of alcohol. I just drink it." The flavor is complex, very dry and somewhat bark-esque. It does not go well with Reese's peanut butter cups but does go well with Cheez-its. I and my other taster liked it, however, and I will most likely buy this wine again.

**LAS ROCAS 2003 GARNACHA (\$14.99 at Black Sheep)**

Garnacha is another Spanish red wine. This wine is rather different from the Monastrell. It is decidedly thinner and lighter. The flavor is reminiscent of cherries, black plums and black pepper. The Garnacha is tannic, but not as mouth-puckering as other Garnachas I've drunk. It would pair well with cheeses served with quince paste. It also went very well with the leftover

bacon and mushroom risotto I found in my fridge.

Before I sign off, I did want to mention an accessory I came across while tasting. Normally, I try to finish off a bottle at the time of opening; however,

this is not always possible. A bottle of red or white wine may be kept for three days (on average) if you place the cork in it (reversed from the way it was pulled) and leave it in the fridge. Reds should be brought back to the appropriate temperature before drinking. "Sparklers" (a.k.a. sparkling wines) present the problem of attempting to keep the wine fizzy after opening. I recently bought a champagne stopper (\$6 at Freepress Wine and Cheese) which was actually very successful in keeping in the fizz, and on that up note, I wish you all a stress-free vacation.



# Honey Brown drowns McDuff's Black Fly

by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

J.W. DUNDEE'S ORIGINAL HONEY BROWN (\$6.49 for a six-pack at Hannaford)

This beer is one of the standards in the endless racks of beer in Northeastern supermarkets, joining the ranks of Rolling Rock and Pete's Wicked Ale. As an amber ale, Honey Brown emanates a solid, deep red when poured, showcasing what is one of the best looking beers I have enjoyed in hours. It smells like a regular American lager with robust hops and malt tones, though there is an undercurrent of honey-like sweetness that reminds me of a treasured sixth grade visit to a bee keepers' abode. The taste can be conveyed as a full, yet sweet lager, utilizing the complex sugars of the honey to stretch the smoothness of each tender sip.

This makes me curious as to how honey would affect many other beers and consumables such as a oney Guinness Stout or honey grilled had-dock. I fear, however, that these tastes would not complement themselves the way J.W. Dundee's technique magically has. The label is bordering on attempts to give an old west feel through the name Dundee and a yellow, red, and brown color scheme. It makes me unexcited to drink what I consider to be a great choice for mid-priced beer. A suggestion would be to include a massive brown bee, possibly holding a

keg or mug, touting a massive smile from antenna to antenna. My scores: Taste: 4.0 Label: 2.3 Benefit/Cost: 4.4 (all ratings out of 5).

GRITTY McDUFF'S BLACK FLY STOUT (\$7.69 for a six-pack at Uncle Tom's)

Though I am not an avid stout drinker, I recognize a good one when I taste it. Gritty's has been known for its powerful taste and does not let us down with this black beer. It pours to a thick, dark liquid, buoying a massive head on top of the charcoal-colored brew. When held to a light, the glass was nearly opaque, much the way coffee is, a virtual curtain to the viewer's eyes. It smells nuttier than other stouts and packs a hint of chocolate that drove my curiosity to a new high. Could it be? A stout with a truly full-bodied flavor I am so used to? Unfortunately, Gritty's was pretty much what I expected, only packing a bit more

punch than its counterparts. Luckily, this beer's label is terrific. Not only does it stay true to the name, it takes a step further by illustrating a swarm of black flies funneling through a beautiful meadow where I am sure cute animals were frolicking at some point. Overhead looms the massive cloud of insects, ready to strike like an unstoppable rebel force. Wow, quite the statement to be making for a beer. Though I am not crazy about this brew, I would recommend it to all those who enjoy stouts or have an unhealthy interest in swarming parasites. My scores: Taste: 3.2 Label: 4.9 Benefit/Cost: 2.9 (all ratings out of 5).

## Art Union gallery replaces television in Smith Union room



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Art Union, located in Smith Union, provides student artists with an open space to display their work.

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group via email, and, if enough members of the group are interested, Art Union can secure the funds and space needed.

O'Connor stated that Art Union is striving to use these resources to "cultivate some kind of community where people feel like there is an

audience for what they do."

Art Union has many plans for the coming months. In addition to the spontaneous visual art that it continues to support, and the work of many different students that will be exhibited in the new gallery, Art Union hopes to bring a two-piece band from Baltimore to play at Bowdoin.

"Art Union is driven by individual enthusiasm and ambition," said Kliment, and "is all about collaboration and cooperation."

When spring finally arrives, this enthusiasm and ambition will be evident not only in the faces of the students sitting on the quad, but also in the colorful drawings surrounding them.

## Senior printmakers Shapell and Friedmann will debut shows in Visual Arts Center

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the semester. Over-ambition tends to get the better of you at the outset of a project, and most things end up being scaled back. But, the goals have remained the same, and we're pleased with the outcome.

BO: Why did you choose the medium you did? What aspects of your artistic medium do you enjoy that aren't achievable through other media?

AS: Printmaking was my first introduction to art. I find that most people are drawn to one medium or another, mine just happened to be

printmaking. I like the technical aspects of it, and find that it is the medium through which I can best express my goals. Other forms of art making like painting and drawing have simply not done this for me, though taking those classes here certainly informed what I do in the print studio.

DF: Printmakers tend to have a different personality compared to other artists. It takes an interesting kind of individual to labor for 2 weeks over one copper plate that may never reach the same clarity as a 15 minute sketch. You have to enjoy the process and I do—perhaps

Anna and I agree for once.

BO: What do you want people to take away from viewing your project?

AS: I want my installation, my 36 individual prints, to be seen as one large image. But I especially enjoy when incidental moments, like the flow of a certain line, or the play of one color against another, make particular sections of the piece stand out to someone.

DF: Some of my plates are inside jokes with other printers, some are nostalgic, while others are tributes to more famous artists like Warhol and Mondrian. Hopefully, everyone who

views the project will find a personal favorite image and will remember how hard it was to draw anything other than stars on an Etch-a-Sketch.

Shapell and Friedmann's exhibitions open on Saturday, March 4 with a reception from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the VAC Fishbowl.

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## DJs OF THE WEEK

Paul Comaskey and Peter Coviello

What is the best album ever created?

Paul: "The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars."

Pete: "Astral Weeks" and "In the Aeroplane Over the Sea"; "London Calling" and "Highway 61." Each is a belated version of the other. You wouldn't want to leave out Minnesota, with "Purple Rain" and the Replacements' "Let It Be," both I believe from 1984.

What's the best band to see live?

Paul: Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds.

Pete: The Pogues, fronted by Joe Strummer, is the best live band I've ever seen. Recently, I'd say the New Pornographers put on as bruising and fine a show as you could wish for.

What song pumps you up?

Paul: "There She Goes My Beautiful World."

Pete: Right now, "Morbid Craving" by the Mendoza Line, though it's awful hard to argue with Superchunk's "On the

Mouth."

What song brings you down?

Paul: Anything by Limp Bizkit.

Pete: In a good way, Gillian Welch's dizzying and beautiful "My Morphine"; the whole of "Amplified Heart," by Everything But the Girl. In a bad way: "emo."

If you were dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?

Paul: "The Lunatics Have Taken Over the Asylum" (Fun Boy 3).

Pete: "Jackson" by Johnny Cash and June Carter; we could be a nation of infidels.

If you were onstage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?

Paul: "Ladies and Gentlemen Welcome to Birmingham, the forgotten city of Rock."

Pete: "Wendy," I'd say, "Is the water warm enough?"

Comaskey and Coviello can be heard on "The Post-Punk Show," 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays on WBOR 91.1 FM. Coviello is an associate professor of English at Bowdoin.

## Former fraternity sponsors art contest



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The alumni corporation of the former Bowdoin chapter of the Delta Sigma/Delta Epsilon fraternity is sponsoring a competition for Bowdoin student artists. Contestants are eligible to win \$200 or more.

# Women's hockey advances to semifinals



by Tom Lakin  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Ice Hockey Team edged out the Connecticut College Camels 2-1 in the first round of the NESCAC tournament this past Saturday.

The Polar Bears (16-8-1) will continue on to the semifinals against third-seeded Williams on Saturday at Middlebury, while the 6-13-4 Camels head home and look toward next season.

The Polar Bears were led by junior Jayme Woogerd, who had both Bowdoin goals in the contest, including the dagger with eight minutes remaining in the third period.

Bowdoin struggled for much of the contest against the spectacular goalie play of Connecticut College senior Gabby Petrill, who stopped a 21-shot Bowdoin assault in the opening period.

Senior Captain Kelsey Wilcox called Petrill "an unbelievable goalie."

Bowdoin coach Michele Amidon echoed Wilcox.

"Gabby is a very talented goalie who had an amazing career at Connecticut College. We knew she

Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

First-year Emileigh Mercer only allowed one goal in last Saturday's quarterfinal match against Connecticut College. The Bears face Williams on Saturday.

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## Swimming finishes eighth in NESCAC

by Katie Yankura  
STAFF WRITER

The men's swimming and diving team finished its season at the NESCAC championship meet at Williams College.

The Bowdoin men placed eighth in last weekend's meet, improving upon their 10th-place finish from last year, beating close rivals Bates and Trinity. Williams won the competition, finishing ahead of Tufts and Amherst.

In addition, the men boasted many strong individual performances.

"The men's meet was very similar to the women's," head coach Brad Burnham said. "We had a few disappointing swims, but for the most part the guys stepped up and swam their heads off."

Senior captain Roger Burleigh had one of the best performances of the weekend. Burleigh started the weekend off with an eighth-place finish in the 50-yard butterfly on Friday. On Saturday, he improved to capture a third-place finish in the 100-yard fly. On Sunday, the last day of the meet, Burleigh dominated the 200-yard butterfly, taking first place, smashing his own NESCAC record, set in 2004.

Burleigh considered his record-breaking swim a comeback from a difficult season last year, as well as an opportunity to reclaim his former 200-yard butterfly title in 2004.

"I won the 200 fly my sophomore year and put a lot of pressure on myself to defend the title the next year. Unfortunately, I was set back most of the year with sickness. This year I was determined to stay healthy, train hard, get rest, and thus perform to the best of my ability," he

said. "It is such an amazing feeling to know that I am the fastest 200-flyer in NESCAC history, and that I have set the bar for future swimmers. It's still beyond my grasp. I could not have done it without my team, my incredible coaches, and my parents, for throwing me in the water when I was three."

Burleigh's time also qualified him to compete at Division III Nationals in March, where he hopes to swim even faster.

"To be quite honest, it was not a perfect race," he said of his winning 200-yard butterfly race. "There is definitely room for improvement and I know I can go faster at nationals."

Several other Bowdoin swimmers also excelled individually. Senior Carter Thomas followed Burleigh with a 10th-place finish in the 50-yard butterfly and an 11th place in the 100-yard fly. First-year Dave Swanson took 10th place in the 50-yard breaststroke, seventh in the 50-yard freestyle, and 16th in the 100-yard freestyle.

Bowdoin showed its depth in the breaststroke events. Nate Hyde '07 took 14th place in the 50-yard breaststroke and 13th in the 200-yard breaststroke. Max Goldstein '07 finished 14th in the 200-yard breaststroke.

Swanson, joined by Thomas, Jason Lewis '06, and Ben Rachlin '08, finished sixth place in the 200-yard freestyle relay and the 200-yard medley relay. Bowdoin's 400-yard freestyle relay, swum by Swanson, Burleigh, Thomas, and Josh Kimball '09, took fifth place.

Rachlin also took sixth in the 50-yard backstroke.

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## Men's hockey defeats Amherst

Men's hockey to play  
semifinal match against  
Trinity tonight at Middle-  
bury, finals on Saturday

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

After 180 minutes and 58 seconds, 16 failed power plays, and a grand total of 80 shots on goal, Amherst finally snuck the puck by senior Bowdoin goalie George Papachristopoulos. Papachristopoulos's three hours of scoreless play over several games was enough to break the Bowdoin Men's Hockey Team's record for consecutive shut-out minutes from the 1983-1984 season.

Bowdoin dominated from the ini-

tial faceoff in last Saturday's NESCAC quarterfinal match against rival Amherst, beating the six-seeded Lord Jeffs 5-1.

The Bears fired off 18 shots in the opening period with the first goal coming off a one-on-one from Sebastian Belanger '08 in the last four minutes of the first period.

A string of three goals from Jon Landry '06, Mike Chute '06, and Mike Westerman '08 in the final period put the game out of Amherst's reach. Landry's goal contributed to his impressive season statistics and cements his position as one of the most dynamic defensive players in the NESCAC.

Bowdoin showed off its team coordination on the ice with every player working in perfect concert, allowing the Bears to play some

extremely effective hockey. A Polar Bear powerplay, led by senior captain Adam Dann, confirmed the Bears' seamless playing.

Bowdoin's game today against Trinity comes exactly three weeks after the Bantams defeated Bowdoin 4-2. The game commenced an impressive five-game winning streak for Trinity, including two solid victories against Colby. The Polar Bears hope to end this streak and avenge their loss earlier this season.

"I was actually hoping we would play Trinity. They beat us three weeks ago and we would like some retribution," Papachristopoulos said.

Many Bowdoin fans and NESCAC watchers are anticipating a showdown between powerhouse

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Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Tim McVaugh jostles an Amherst player for the puck in Saturday's semifinal game. The Bears won 5-1.



# Squash takes third place in division

by Sarah Podmaniczky  
STAFF WRITER

Despite putting up its toughest fight of the season, the Bowdoin Women's Squash Team fell a third time to Bates at the team squash nationals. The Bears took third in the B Division at last weekend's tournament.

Although the Polar Bears had hoped to eclipse Bates by the end of the season, the players enjoyed the close matches and friendly rivalry.

"It was tough losing to Bates, because they were a team for which we had really been training to beat," junior Dodie Press said. "Every year a victory over them gets a bit closer, and I think that we can definitely learn from our experiences."

Despite losing 8-1 to Bates, the women played very well and were competitive in their individual matches. Four of the eight lost matches went to four games (Bowdoin won a game in each). In addition, Susie Martin '07, playing at number four, nearly won her five-game match. Bowdoin came closer than ever to beating Bates with long rallies and close games scores. Bates won the B Division (the Kurtz Cup) the next day, soundly defeating Cornell.

Earlier in the weekend, the Bears defeated St. Lawrence 9-0, and followed the win with a 7-2 victory over Colby, marking Bowdoin's fourth win over the Mules for the season.

"[Emilie] McKenna '08 had a great match against her usual opponent, Emily Slack from Colby, and they both fought very hard until the end," Jackie Deysher '09 said of her teammate. "Despite the loss, it was fun to watch."

After challenging some teams more than three times, it is easy to lose enthusiasm, but Deysher believed that "the team competed well this weekend even though we played our fellow Maine schools again."

Captain Niki Clement '06 garnered multiple honors during the tournament. She was nominated for

the Betty Ritchey Award, often described as the MVP award. In addition, she recorded her 77th victory, breaking Bowdoin's previous record of 74 wins, set by Dana Betts '01. Clement finishes her college career at 77-14.

"It was nice to end Niki's career on the Bowdoin team with a win against Colby," Martin said.

The Polar Bears' performance over the weekend earned them an 11th-place finish overall and a third-place spot in the B Division, or Kurtz Cup, marking a two-place improvement over last year's finish.

The players enjoyed the atmosphere of the tournament, which virtually every college squash team in the country attends.

"The weekend was a lot of fun for me," Press said. "It's always a treat to see some of the best collegiate squash players and watch some great squash."

Clement agreed, saying, "It is a proud time to be wearing black and white all weekend. You feel a sense of unity within your team, but also among all these players because you are all here playing the same sport with the same motivations to perform well."

She added, "Oftentimes squash can seem an obscure sport or one that not many people are familiar with, but nationals is a place where you and your sport are in the majority."

Overall, the women were happy with their performance during the tournament.

"Everyone put in a solid performance this weekend," Martin said.

This weekend, Clement and a few other Bowdoin squash players will travel to Amherst for individual nationals, where they will battle the best players in the nation.

The women look to next year with bittersweet feelings, as they lose a two-year captain in Clement and a valuable competitor in Molly Dorkey '06.

"With such a young team it's exciting to think about next year, but it's hard to say goodbye to two amazing seniors that have given so much to the team," Lydia Pillsbury '07 said.

one game at a time. Every team in this league can beat you on any given night," Greg McConnell '07 said.

The Bears will face the Bantams today at 7:00 p.m. at Middlebury. The winner of the match will advance to the final on Saturday.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Sebastian Belanger '08 tries to maneuver the puck past an Amherst defender.

# Men's swimming posts strong races



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The men's swimming and diving team finished eighth in the NESCAC, moving up two spots from last year's ranking.

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In addition to swimming to some impressive finishes, many Bowdoin swimmers also posted personal bests.

"Some of the most inspirational swims came from the guys, who work the hardest but don't always get the attention," Burnham said. "The swim of the meet was posted by Rob Rezvani '08 in the 100-yard butter-

fly, where he dropped five seconds. The attitude and focus was great to be around."

With the exception of Victoria Tudor '06, Katie Chapman '07, and Burleigh, who will compete in Division III nationals in March, this weekend marked the end of a successful season for the Bowdoin swim teams. Burnham looks forward to the national competition, as well as to

next year.

"I am confident nationals will cap a wonderful season. The enthusiasm was strong in the beginning of the year and never waned," he said. "We had more best times than ever before—the training trip was a great time and very productive for the season. I wish we could start the next season tomorrow because the future of this team is great."

# Women's hockey wins quarterfinals

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would be our biggest hurdle this past weekend," she said.

The Bears' scoring drought was broken 18 seconds into the second period when Woogerd ripped a beauty over the shoulder of Petrill. The Camels responded with a lucky goal later in the period off a loose puck, which bounced off Connecticut's Suzie Connor into the Bowdoin net.

The third period opened just like the first two, with Bowdoin unsuccessfully hammering away at Petrill and the Camel net. However, with just 8:09 left on the clock, Katie Forney '07 slid a pass in front of the net for Woogerd, who nudged it in for her second goal of the afternoon.

A Bowdoin penalty with 2:39 remaining gave the Camels a little life, but Bowdoin goalie first-year Emileigh Mercer's several diving saves prevented them from gaining momentum.

Mercer's eight saves to Petrill's 34 at the end of the game proved the power and skill of Bowdoin's offense.

"I think that our team dominated Connecticut College in terms of offensive opportunities and controlling the puck," Woogerd said. "Gabby is a skilled goalie, but we worked hard and were able to sneak a couple by her."

Those two goals coupled with what Amidon called "tenacious and relentless" play earned Woogerd NESCAC Player of the Week honors.

The win gave Bowdoin a semifinal bid for the fifth-straight season. After the game, Amidon praised Woogerd and sophomore Caroline Currie's efforts.

"They really stepped up and led the team to a 2-1 victory," she said.

The Polar Bears now look toward Saturday's semifinal game against Williams College. The Bears have a

mixed record with the Ephs and are taking no chances. Although Bowdoin beat Williams 4-2 earlier this month, the Bears suffered a 4-3 loss to Williams back in January.

"We know that Williams is a potent team, so this week we're practicing specific things that should help us beat their style of play," Woogerd said.

Amidon is focusing on strengthening her team's offensive force.

"In the semifinals we will need to play diligently in front of Mercer, while playing unbelievably aggressive in front of their net minder," Amidon said. "This weekend, we will need to score more than two goals on 36 shots."

Amidon also has some advice for the team, saying, "The team that plays smart, simple hockey on Saturday will win."

Bowdoin has never lost a NESCAC semifinal game and has won the championship twice.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Meghan Gillis '07 goes for the goal in Saturday's game against Connecticut College. The Bears play Williams this weekend.

# Papachristopoulos guards Polar Bears' record

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

Senior George Papachristopoulos has played brilliantly for the Polar Bears this season as the starting goalie for the men's ice hockey team. The Quebec

native has guided his team to an impressive 15 wins during the regular season and a crucial win over conference-foe Amherst in the NESCAC quarterfinal on Saturday at Dayton Arena.

At first glance, Papachristopoulos, who stands at a sturdy 6'4" and 225 pounds, looks as though he might be better suited to the football field as a lineman. But like many of his fellow Canadians, he picked up hockey at an early age, and out of sheer love for the game, has continued to compete and succeed in the sport.

"I started skating when I was three or four," he said. "But I started playing hockey when I was six or seven."

After attending local schools in Canada and playing on the town team—his school did not have a team—Papachristopoulos went to Brewster Academy in New Hampshire for two years, where he excelled in hockey and also lettered in soccer.

He came to Bowdoin for "a good combination of hockey and academics." Although Papachristopoulos saw little time on the ice as a first year, head coach Terry Meagher remembers his confidence on the ice.

"He wanted to be everything. Goaltender, defenseman, coach, zamboni driver," Meagher said.

In just three years, Papachristopoulos has blossomed into a strong player at the top of the NESCAC. He has been a constant presence between the pipes for the past two and a half years and continues to break records and garner awards. This season, he has smashed several records, including most consecutive shut-out minutes—180:58—during a hot stretch in February. He also holds the record for most shutouts in a single season, leading Bowdoin to five shut-out victories.

"The previous record [157:21] for most shut-out minutes was posted during my first year as coach here [23 years ago]. I remember thinking, 'Wow that's gonna be a tough one to beat,'" Meagher noted.

Although the shut-out minutes statistic is a remarkable feat by itself, the timing of Papachristopoulos's streak was significant for the Bears.

"We were going through sort of a slump in January," Papachristopoulos remembered. "But because of good leadership, we were able to pull out of it in February and have been on a roll since."

The Polar Bears are clicking. They are unbeaten in their last four games with Trinity delivering Bowdoin's only defeat in February. The Bears fell to the Bantams 4-2 in Hartford.

The Polar Bears will look to avenge their earlier loss to Trinity tonight in a NESCAC semifinal



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior George Papachristopoulos, a Quebec native, has delivered five shutouts for the Polar Bears this season.

matchup at Middlebury. Papachristopoulos is confident the outcome will be different.

"Trinity plays on a very small rink, and the one up at Middlebury is Olympic-sized. So the dynamic of the game will be a lot different," he said.

The neutrality of the crowd will also be to Bowdoin's benefit.

"The crowd will be people who just want to see some good hockey," the goalie noted.

Off the rink, Papachristopoulos is a strong student and an active member of the community. While he is

considering playing hockey at a professional level after graduation, the trilingual chemistry major may pursue a job in the pharmaceutical industry. Whatever his decision, Papachristopoulos will certainly have left his mark on the Bowdoin campus.

## Track wraps up indoor seasons

Women take 20th at N.E.

by Gina Campella  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Women's Track Team came out strong for one of the last meets of the season, finishing 20th at the NCAA Open New England Championships.

Last Friday, Emily Sheffield '06 fought hard in the 800-meter trials for second place in her heat, ensuring her place in the finals. Louise Duffus '07 took fourth place in the weight throw with a distance of 52'1".

Friday's last event for the Bears was the women's distance medley relay, composed of Courtney Eustace '08, Emily Hackert '06, Lynne Tempest '09, and Laura Onderko '08. The women finished 11th, shaving seconds off their time.

On Saturday, Duffus took 14th in the shot put, throwing 40'. Sheffield, breaking Bowdoin's 800-meter record, placed fourth in the race's finals with a time of 2:13.27. Her performance also earned her a spot at nationals later this month. Sheffield went on to run the 4x400-meter relay with Alison Pilon '09, Gina Campella '07, and Hackert. The team took 10th place, breaking another school record in 4:00.69.

In Bowdoin's final event of the meet, the 4x800-meter relay, run by Eustace, Jess Sokolow '09, Onderko and Amy Ahearn '08, the women finished 15th.

Although this meet marked the end of the season for most of Bowdoin's women's indoor track athletes, Hackert and Alyssa Chen '08 will be competing at Eastern College Athletic Conference meet this weekend. And in less than two weeks, Sheffield and Duffus will compete at nationals.

Men brave tough competition at New England Open



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

A few track athletes will compete at the ECAC's this weekend at Ursinus.

by Pat Pierce  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Track Team ventured to Boston University's world-class track facility to compete against teams of all divisions in the NCAA Open New England Championships. Saturday's meet was only for champions, who had met stringent qualifying requirements. The men held their own against fierce competition and boasted some impressive performances.

Junior Joseph Adu added to his regular-season success, running the preliminary heat of the 55-meter hurdles in a quick 7.94 seconds, qualifying Adu for the semifinals, where he placed 16th.

Sophomore Nate Krah capped a breakout season by running the 5000-meter run in 15:22, earning him a

19th-place finish. In the mile, junior Owen McKenna ran a season-best 4:16.52 to capture 12th place out of 27 competitors.

The most impressive race of the day was the 4x400-meter relay, run by Adu and sophomores Brendan Egan, Eric Lee, and Lamont White. Capitalizing on their regular season potential, these Bowdoin speedsters averaged under 50.5 seconds for each leg, to finish 14th with a scorching time of 3:21.93.

The Polar Bears delivered some great performances in the final meet of their season. They hope to build upon their very successful indoor season in outdoor track. According to Krah, the upcoming outdoor track season "is especially important to us because we will be hosting the NESCAC championships."

The NESCAC championships will be held at home on April 29.

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# AL East features three powerhouses

The Red Sox, Yankees, and Blue Jays can all contend in the AL East in 2006

by Joel Samen  
STAFF WRITER

With the first pitches thrown last Thursday, baseball's exhibition is now underway without any clear leader. The New York Yankees, Boston Red Sox, and Toronto Blue Jays have added components that could be key to a championship run. But there are several questions remaining for each team as the spring training games take off.

The three teams atop the Eastern Division have issues with the pitchers as their top of their rotation, as well as the bullpen.

For the Red Sox, Curt Schilling spent much of the season on the disabled list, posting an 8-8 record with an astonishing 5.69 earned run average (ERA). Keith Foulke also had a poor season, missing the better part of three months and earning only 15 saves with a 5.91 ERA, as compared to 32 saves and a 2.17 ERA in 2004. Schilling has arrived at camp this spring in impeccable shape, having substantially lost weight and reporting that he "was pleased with everything out there" after a 22-pitch mound session last Monday, according to the Boston Globe.

With the Yankees' pitching staff, one of the looming questions is age. Randy Johnson, Kevin Brown, and Mike Mussina are 42, 40, and 37, respectively. Each player has spent time on the disabled list in the last two seasons, so the possibility of future injuries is a definite source of concern for a team sporting a hefty payroll. Carl Pavano, one of the young and impressive pitchers on the disabled list last season, posting a 4-6 record with a 4.77 ERA in his abbreviated first season with the team. Kyle Farnsworth also joins the Yankees after an impressive season coming out of the bullpen for the Atlanta Braves.

The Blue Jays significantly augmented their payroll during the off-season, adding A.J. Burnett to a rotation anchored by workhorse Roy Halladay, as well as B.J. Ryan, who came over from the Baltimore Orioles to replace Miguel Batista as the team's closer. Burnett only won 12 games last season with the Florida Marlins, but secured a 3.44 ERA. The infusion of new blood into their pitching staff could spark a brilliant team, aligned with the team's new offensive additions. However, it is uncertain how the new pitchers will perform with their new team.

Each of these teams has also made mammoth offensive changes, adding or subtracting players to alter the

faces of their lineups.

The Red Sox lost a bit of the punch that they have had in the past few seasons, with Johnny Damon headed to the Yankees, Kevin Millar to the Orioles, and Bill Mueller signing with the Dodgers. But the additions of Coco Crisp, Mike Lowell, and Alex Gonzalez could prove to be sufficient run-scoring additions. Crisp's offensive production could approach Damon's, as his past production matches Damon's in the first few years of each player's careers. Lowell is coming off from a poor offensive season, but batted .293 with 27 home runs in 2004. Gonzalez also had a strong 2004 season, hitting 23 home runs for the Marlins. The friendly hitting combination of Fenway should be favorable to each of these players.

The Yankees feature a lineup laden with future Hall of Fame candidates. The most recent acquisition to top off the modern "Murderer's Row" is Damon, who is destined to be the catalyst running the base paths before all-star hitters like Derek Jeter, Alex Rodriguez, Hideki Matsui, and Gary Sheffield. Damon's high on-base percentage of .366 last season should set up plenty of scoring opportunities for a team that held a .276 batting average, second in the league only to the Red Sox. With Damon setting the plate before this strong hitting team, the sky's the limit in terms of scoring runs.

The Blue Jays may have had the most influential offseason in terms of rebuilding an offense. New additions Lyle Overbay, Troy Glaus, and Bengie Molina should provide a pop to the Blue Jays hitting that has been missing since Carlos Delgado left in 2004. Those three players combined to hit 61 home runs with their respective teams last season, round-trippers that would certainly help the Blue Jays reach the plateau of offensive production created by the stacked Red Sox and Yankees lineups.

The also-rans, the Orioles and Devil Rays, are certainly capable teams, each touting solid young players. However, they are not yet on the level of the Red Sox, Blue Jays, and Yankees, who each have spent an absurd amount of money on their respective teams. If all of the pieces fall into place for these three teams, it should be an amazing three-way division race. Toronto may have once again joined the ranks of the Red Sox and Yankees as a powerhouse team.

Nonetheless, it remains unknown whether everything will pan out for these teams. Recoveries and improvement after disappointing seasons will determine the winner of the division. And Baltimore and Tampa Bay will once again be waiting on the sidelines, biding their time until their impressive prospects mature.

MEN'S ICE HOCKEY			
SCOREBOARD			
Sa 2/25	v. Amherst (NESCAC Quarterfinals)	W	5-1
SCHEDULE			
F 3/3	v. Trinity (NESCAC Semifinals, at Midd.)	7:00 P.M.	
Sa 3/4	NESCAC Finals (at Middlebury)	7:00 P.M.	

WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK			
SCOREBOARD			
F 2/24-Sa 2/25	Open New England's (BU)	20th	of 32
SCHEDULE			
F 3/3-Sa 3/4	ECACs (at Ursinus)	6:00 P.M.	

WOMEN'S SQUASH			
SCOREBOARD			
F 2/24	Team Nationals (at Harvard, Kurtz Cup Division)	3rd	of 8
SCHEDULE			
F 3/3	Individual Nationals (at Amherst)	TBA	

WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY			
SCOREBOARD			
F 2/25	v. Connecticut College (NESCAC Quarterfinals)	W	2-1
SCHEDULE			
Sa 3/4	v. Williams (NESCAC Semifinals, at Middlebury)	3:30 P.M.	
Su 3/5	NESCAC Final Round, (at Midd.)	1:00 P.M.	

MEN'S INDOOR TRACK			
SCOREBOARD			
F 2/17-Sa 2/18	Open New England's (BU)	N/A	
SCHEDULE			
F 3/3-Sa 3/4	ECACs (at Ursinus)	6:00 P.M.	

MEN'S SQUASH			
SCOREBOARD			
F 3/3	Individual Nationals (at Amherst)	TBA	

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL			
SCOREBOARD			
Sa 2/25	v. Wesleyan (NESCAC Semifinals, at Bates)	W	61-46
Su 2/26	at Bates (NESCAC final)	W	68-58
SCHEDULE			
F 3/3-Sa 3/4	v. Colby-Sawyer NCAA Second Round	7:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M.	

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING			
SCOREBOARD			
F 2/24-Su 2/26	at NESCACs (at Williams)	8th	of 10
SCHEDULE			
Th 3/16-F 3/11	at NCAAAs (at Minneapolis)	8:00 A.M.	

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING			
SCOREBOARD			
W 3/9-F 3/11	at NCAAAs (at Minneapolis)	8:00 A.M.	

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## Hoops wins sixth NESCAC

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and landed a three-pointer and a layup. Berne sailed in with another three-point shot, and with less than 15 minutes left in play, Pouravelis slammed in a layup that put Bowdoin in the lead. Junior Eileen Flaherty was successful at the free-throw line and added a three-point shot. Berne followed up with an outstanding triad of three-pointers.

Calling a timeout, the Polar Bears strategized and returned to the game with a shot by first-year Alexis Kaubris and two free throws by Flaherty, sandwiched between two three-pointers from Loonin. The clock wound down with Bowdoin holding on to the lead to capture the NESCAC title.

The Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team is one of only three NESCAC teams to have captured the tournament title every year since its establishment.

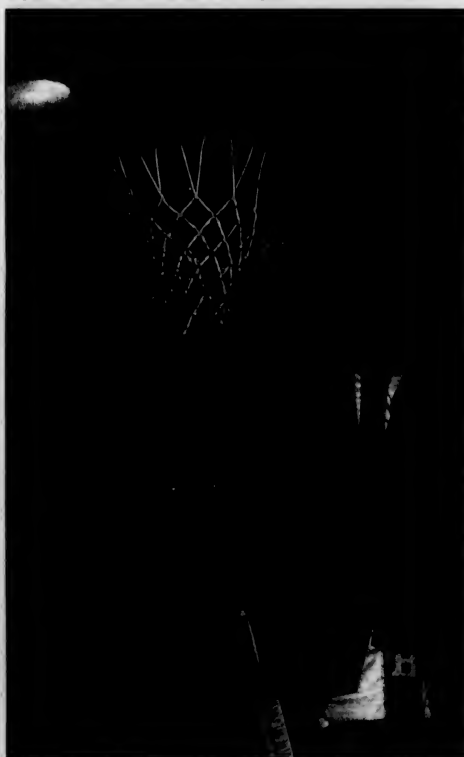
For seniors Pouravelis, Lauren Withey, Vanessa Russell, and Ashleigh Watson, who have played on the championship-winning team for four years, it was especially sweet to finish their Bowdoin careers with this fourth title.

"This was the best championship of the four we have experienced because we won it at Bates gym, and we usually struggle there. It was my last championship and being a senior it felt all the more different and special. I couldn't be happier for our team," Pouravelis said.

The Polar Bears face Colby-Sawyer tonight in Morrell Gym at 7 p.m. Colby-Sawyer has won 17 games since Bowdoin defeated the team earlier in the season. Bowdoin plays host to the

Brandeis-Salem State matchup earlier in the evening at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for adults and can be purchased from the athletic department office. Admission is

free with a Bowdoin ID, but a ticket is required for entry. On Saturday, the second-round contest will begin in Morrell Gym at 5 p.m.



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Junior Julia Loonin posted 17 points for the Polar Bears against Bates.

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## Kudos for communication

**B**owdoin Student Government (BSG) has operated in stealth mode in years past. With the exception of a few scattered emails here and there, students were largely left unaware of what their representatives were doing—or not doing—on their behalf. Like any governing body, BSG cannot be effective unless it is accountable to those it serves. And the only way for it to be accountable is to run it transparently with productive communication going both ways between BSG members and students.

Thankfully, this year's student government has made a turn around. Communication is now a priority, and as a result the student body has a much better idea of what BSG is up to. Most noticeably, email communication from BSG has greatly improved. Emails now come more frequently, are more relevant, and have a standardized format that allows readers to know exactly from where the message is coming. In addition, the BSG web site is now regularly updated and allows visitors to access the minutes of each meeting and check shuttle times.

More recently, BSG set up an excellent feature on its web site where students can make suggestions to their representatives and have other students vote on those suggestions. It also held public forums to discuss campus security and the debate over political bias in the classroom. Few students showed up, but at least BSG made the effort and provided the opportunity for students to make their voices heard.

This year's BSG deserves praise for its vastly improved communication—an improvement that has gone a long way to making the body appreciably more effective than its predecessor. The student government has significant power to affect campus administration, academics, and student life. We encourage students to recognize the impact BSG can have, and take advantage of the opportunities offered to them to communicate with their elected representatives.

## A strong first step on Darfur

**T**hree weeks ago, this page called on the College's administration to create a forum for dialogue on divestment from companies that do business with Sudan. The Sudanese government has supported genocide in the Darfur region of that country, and U.S. colleges and universities are beginning to use their economic power to show that this is not acceptable.

On Wednesday, President Barry Mills announced the creation of a committee to consider Bowdoin's investments and report back to the Board of Trustees in May. This announcement reiterated that Bowdoin is willing not only to talk about the common good, but also willing to take action in its pursuit. We commend Mills for taking this first step, and we expect that the Board of Trustees will consider the committee's recommendation in a manner that places ethics first.

*James D. Baumberger abstained from voting on this editorial to avoid a conflict of interest.*

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Support changes to  
BSG constitutionby DeRay Mckesson  
and Dustin Brooks  
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On Wednesday, a campus-wide referendum will be held to approve amendments made to the Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) constitution. We write to you today to ask for your support. All of the changes that we have made are part of an effort to make us a more effective body in order to serve you, our peers. Over the weekend you will receive official information about these initiatives, but we would like to take this opportunity to present the reasons that we are enthusiastic about these reforms.

These amendments are the product of a year's study of how we can better fulfill our mandate of campus leadership. When we came into office, we endorsed the Pact for Sound Government and highlighted the importance of our transition to stability. It is with these documents that we hope to formally capture the values to which we have committed ourselves.

We ask you to support our efforts to ensure cooperation between different elements of the campus community and to foster a spirit of leadership demonstrated by the creation of the Leadership Council. We ask you to help us make BSG more effective by clarifying the roles of its members and authorizing spring elections, allowing us to start working sooner and with a clearer idea of our responsibilities. We urge you to vote in favor of the Student Involvement Amendment, which replaces a convoluted

process with clearer channels for student access to their government; the best way for us to do our jobs is to know what you need.

And finally, we ask you to join us in an exciting new change to the structure of BSG. With the support of the Inter-House Council and other campus leaders, we have crafted a new system of BSG membership. The Representation Realignment Amendment will provide a voice for critical elements of our Bowdoin experience. With the passage of this amendment, the College House System, the Community Service Council, the Campus Activities Board, and Residential Life staff members will gain new and invigorated roles in student government. With representation from these groups,

*We are confident that all of the documents that are up for your consideration on Wednesday do justice to the faith that you have placed in us as a body.*

the effectiveness of BSG can only increase.

When you elected this year's BSG, you placed your faith in our ability to improve ourselves as a group. The proposed amendments are the result of our careful consideration

and deliberation about what it means to be empowered by our peers. We are confident that all of the documents that are up for your consideration on Wednesday do justice to the faith that you have placed in us as a body.

Again, we ask you to join us in changing the way we lead for the better through carefully considering the amendments that we present and voting in favor of BSG constitutional reform.

*DeRay Mckesson '07 is the president of BSG and Dustin Brooks '08 is the vice president for BSG affairs.*

LETTERS TO  
THE EDITORSDirectors did  
well to show  
documentary

To the Editors:

I would like to thank the directors of the Vagina Monologues, Whitney Hogan '07, Gwenn Hollingsworth '06, Alex Lamb '07, and Emily Skinner '08, for organizing the showing of Eve Ensler's documentary, "Until the Violence Stops," Monday at the pub. For those of us who attended, it provided a valuable alternative to other events on campus that evening.

There is no shortage of "experts" willing to take money from student groups and speak on campus about any topic you can imagine. Accordingly, I applaud the directors for their thoughtful and mature response to a potentially (I did not attend) disrespectful and distasteful speaker meant to undermine the mission of V-Day. The directors did a great service by remaining focused on stopping the victimization of women and girls and refusing to allow sexual violence to be made into a political issue.

Sincerely,

Dan Hall '05

Boston, Massachusetts

HYPE did not  
call GOP racist

To the Editors:

As editor of HYPE Magazine, I would like to challenge Mr. Emerson [a trustee who wrote the letter "Trustees worry about tone of political debate" on February 17] to find where HYPE "equated Republicans with racists." The term "racist" was never used, and Mr. Emerson should know the difference between calling a group "racist" and insinuating that some members of certain political groups have "racial bias." If Mr. Emerson cannot find where we "equated Republicans with racists," then we believe that an apology is in order.

Sincerely,

William K. Gilchrist '06

## Humor, with cleverness substitute

These Revelations Will  
Not Be Televisedby Steve  
Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Everybody loves a clown.

Well, except for people who are paralyzed by fear at the mere mention of clowns (e.g. anyone who has seen the movie "Poltergeist" or heard of John Wayne Gacy, Jr.). Or people who think clowns are boring (e.g. anyone whose parents were so manipulated by classical conventions that they actually hired a clown to perform at your birthday party). Or people who think clowns are stupid (e.g. anyone who has ever borne witness to the musical stylings and stage antics of the Insane Clown Posse). Or anyone who thinks clowns are

depressing (e.g. all vocational clowns).

OK, that's a horrible example. Let's start over.

Everybody loves a funnyman. He's the life of the party, the comic relief in the classroom, the guy who'll pick you up if you sink too low, or cut you down if you rise too high above other people for your own good.

He's also a relatively rare speci-

*Throughout history, the masses have related to wit the same way they have related to any complex scientific discipline.*

entist, is rumored to have written a treatise on the nature of humor that was stolen and destroyed by Christian Monks, who apparently thought that a dissertation on humor (and humility, humor's sidekick) might distract devotees from serious, important matters such as self-flagellation and the torture of heretics.

Throughout history, the masses have related to wit the same way they have related to any complex scientific

discipline. Most people understand the basic rules in the same way they understand the basic rules of physics, and can apply this fundamental knowledge of humor in certain

situations. People in this plane of comic understanding include your mom, your sixth grade math teacher, and Jay Leno.

Traditionally, it has taken a more refined sensibility to grasp and apply the more subtle aspects of humor. In

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## Comic originality rare, hilarious

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order to be truly funny, a person must train his mind to process all information inputs through a "How can I turn this into a joke?" filter, extract certain elements, and then use his intellect to turn those elements into a carefully arranged, impeccably timed, and patently original information output (i.e. a joke).

These days, it's not nearly that complicated.

Humor is changing. In accordance with the inexorable fate of any marketable product, a cheap, homogenized, prepackaged, and extremely user-friendly brand of humor has come to dominate the consumer market.

I'm talking about the widespread practice of quoting popular movies out of their original contexts—a practice that has established itself as the preferred form of humor for my generation.

Remember when "Napoleon Dynamite" came out? Remember how much easier it was to be funny once you had seen that movie? For about a year after the film's release, you could answer anybody who asked about your day's plans by rasping, "Whatever I feel like, GOSH!"...and you were an instant hit. It didn't matter if that person had heard that line 29 times in the last hour; you would still get a chuckle.

This caused a division between those who had seen the movie and those who hadn't. While this social cleft was relatively harmless, it created some extremely awkward situations that looked like this:

Student A: (Points to friend's dinner plate) What's that?

Student B: Jerk Chicken. It's in the hot food line.

Student A: (Chuckles) Does the Jerk Chicken have large talons?

Student B: (Confused) No...It's cooked. They take the talons off.

Student A: Haven't you seen "Napoleon Dynamite"?

Student B: No.

Student A: Oh. (Picks at food in silence, later removes Student B from Buddy List.)

The release of "Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy" precipitated a similar phenomenon. So did "Old School." My cleverness-substitute of choice was the relatively obscure BBC series "The Office." For about nine months, my roommates and I would pathologically insert "Office" references into ordinary conversation, confusing and frustrating friends, family members, professors, and would-be employers. Eventually, reciting actual quotes from the show became unnecessary—we would just say things in British accents and then laugh like fools.

Why do we resort to such sophomoric forms of quasi-humor? Laziness is no doubt a part of it. Catch-phrase recitation is funny; but more importantly, it's easy. Easy is attractive even to the most patient and assiduous souls. I have friends who have the diligence to spend 12 hours on a physics problem set but still use the elevator to get to the second floor of Mac House.

But camaraderie is another draw. Movie-quoting is like an inside joke that you can share with someone you don't know very well. Let's say you're eating dinner with a group of strangers, and everybody's uncomfortable. One person need only say

something along the lines of, "This burrito is delicious, but it's so filling!" Everybody will laugh. Then someone else will come in with "I have many leather-bound books." Everybody will laugh again. This will go on for approximately 20 minutes, at the end of which everybody at the table will be positively chummy.

To prove an earlier point regarding the social displacement caused by movie-quoting, let me draw attention to the fact that many people reading this column didn't understand that last paragraph.

Though some might read this proliferation of "humor lite" as a death knell for comic originality, this view is a bit extreme. Originality in humor is not endangered, just elusive. Just because generic humor is cheap doesn't make unique humor any less valuable. Just because Carlos Mencia is allowed to do stand-up doesn't think less of Jim Gaffigan.

This is not a diatribe against movie-quoting. If imitation-based humor were a crime, I would be serving consecutive life sentences. No, this is simply an expression of appreciation for those who refuse to settle for the generic brand, even if home-cooked comedy is less reliable. As Herman Melville said, "It is better to fail in originality than to succeed in imitation."

Sometimes, it can even be funnier.

## The Bubble is not reality TV

### Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

Whenever my parents discover that I haven't heard about some "big" current event, such as, oh I don't know, quail hunts, or the fact that Elton John is gay, they blame it on "the Bowdoin Bubble." And of course I always roll my eyes and then promptly watch Headline News for the next 72 hours straight, trying to catch up on everything I missed while I was immersed in "Grey's Anatomy," "The Gauntlet II," and "That 70's Show" reruns. But what my parents don't seem to realize is that all that reality TV, all those vintage "Sex and the City" episodes, and certainly Doctor McDreamy, have taught me something very important about the Bowdoin Bubble: It really does exist. Though perhaps not in the way my parents think.

When it comes to living in the "real world," Bowdoin has left us ill-prepared. (Obviously I'm referring to the actual real world, not the hit MTV reality show in which abnormally attractive people get blitzed and either make out or throw each other's stuff in the heated, indoor pool for 10-straight weeks, while not going to their awesome jobs but instead hanging out in jail.) We here in the Bubble live in a kind of dating purgatory: not quite the utopia of "Sex and the City," but not quite Colby, either.

Let's say, for instance, you go to the Helmsreich Beach Party. Sand is flying, bodies are hard, sweat is dripping...and suddenly, you feel a cold beverage slide down the back of your brand new floral-print board shorts. You turn around to give this sloppy individual a piece of your mind, when suddenly you realize that this goddess that has sloshed her refreshment all over your nether-regions is someone you'd like to give a piece of something other than your mind. The two of you chat, you laugh, and regardless of how the night ends, you wake up the next morning feeling amazing. And then you don't see her all week. And then you have to go home for the weekend because your little sister is having her bat mitzvah. Before you know it, a week has passed, and though your sister is now a woman, the following Saturday night, as you watch in dismay as your goddess sloshes up against somebody else's toga, you realize that you are not The Man.

This is the perfect example of my One Week Theory. If you meet someone on a Saturday night, and for whatever reason don't manage to make another face-to-face contact within one week, your chances of ever getting together seem to plummet to just barely above zero. Time speeds up in the Bubble. In the real world, you can go a couple of days, even a week, without seeing the object of your affection, and that's okay. It doesn't result in a relationship's death. It just means you guys have something else to do, such as jet off to South Africa for a photo shoot, or maybe hop on a bus with four

other people and hope the fact that you can play the recorder will save you from getting "Nexted."

You see, though I don't know a whole lot about the real world from personal experience, I've watched plenty of reality TV, and for the purposes of this column, that's good enough. I've learned that in the real world, relationships will be made or broken on national television and will involve roses and perhaps a secret identity that is only exposed after a ring is on the finger. I've learned that we will go on dates with three other girls to quaint restaurants where there seems to be no other patrons and compete for the attention of one fairly unattractive guy. I've learned that money can buy happiness, love, 15 minutes of fame, and insight into the magical yet chaotic world of Britney and Kevin. I have learned that Flava Flav is crazy, Brigitte Nielsen is crazy, Janice Dickinson is mean and crazy, and every single person on "The Gauntlet" needs to get a real job.

Yes, the Bubble can be isolating. But despite the lack of dating, the One Week Theory, and the fact that sometimes you have to share an uncomfortable co-ed bathroom moment with your Helmsreich goddess, it's still better than having to eat spiders that may or may not be poisonous just because Joe Rogan told you to. Now, if you'll excuse me, I have to go finish my application for "Survivor 36: Intercourse, PA." I've heard a lot of people meet their soul mates when they're starving for food. Or attention, whatever.

## STUDENT SPEAK

### What article of clothing would you take off first in strip poker?



Sara Griffin '09  
"My robe."



Katie Coyne '08  
and Kat Popoff '08  
"Cut the crap—take it all off!"



L.D. Lord '08  
"My shorts, because I have underarmor on all day."



Pei Huang '08  
"My speedo."



Tom Rodrigues '06  
"My toe socks."



Ethan Oberwager '09  
"My underwear like Hansel does."

Compiled by Mary Helen Miller

## WEEKLYCALENDAR

March 3-March 9

## Friday

**Physics and Astronomy Lecture**

Attend a lecture titled, "When Stars Attack! In Search of Near-Earth Supernova Explosions," presented by Professor Brian Fields of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He will focus on the effects of a star that exploded near Earth three million years ago.  
Room 313, Searles Science Building,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

**Home**

A musical about life and love after college, written and directed by seniors Davin Michaels, Michael Lobiondo, and James Nylund.  
Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 8-10 p.m.

**Shabbat Candle Lighting**  
Johnson House, 5 p.m.

**Film: "Blood Simple"**

A Texas bar owner hires a private detective to spy on his cheating wife.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Pints With Profs**

Seniors, join professors for an evening of drinks and conversation.  
Jack Magees Pub, Smith Union, 6 p.m.

**Salsa Dancing**

Come to a Salsa Dance sponsored by LASO. An hour-long salsa lesson will kick off the evening.  
Elks Lodge, 179 Maine St., 7-11 p.m.

## Saturday

**The Grand Derangement**

Listen to an internationally acclaimed six-piece Acadian band from Nova Scotia perform a variety of music combining jazz, funk, and Celtic rhythms.  
Morrell Lounge, Smith Union,  
8 p.m.-12 a.m.

**Meditation in Motion**

Join this workshop led by yoga teacher Beandra Davis to learn how to deepen self-awareness, awaken creativity, and use writing and yoga in everyday life.  
The Barn Yoga Studio, 31 Payne Road,  
Topsham, 1-5 p.m.

**Film: "Blood Simple"**

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.

## Sunday

**Sunday Mass**

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

**Communion**

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to an Episcopal communion led by Edie and Gil Birney.  
Mitchell South Dining Room,  
Thorne Hall, 4:30 p.m.

## Monday

**Exporting Democracy**

Josh Muravchik of the American Enterprise Institute and Chris Preble of the Cato Institute will discuss the best ways for America to promote democracy abroad and whether it is in its best interest to encourage democratic reform.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
7:30-9 p.m.

**Ace the Interview**

Learn tactical strategies and mind-body techniques that will help you hone your interview skills and learn how to reduce interview anxiety.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 7 p.m.

**Magical Realism**

University of Virginia professor Gustavo Pellon gives a lecture titled, "Why Are Europeans and North Americans Obsessed With Magical Realism?"  
Faculty Room, Massachusetts Hall,  
7:30 p.m.

## Tuesday

**Cuban Poetry Reading**

Gary Lawless, co-owner of the Gulf of Maine Bookstore, will give a reading of Cuban poetry sponsored by LASO.  
Little Dog Coffee Shop, 87 Maine St.,  
Brunswick, 4-6 p.m.

**Judy Shepard Lecture**

Judy Shepard will give a speech about gay awareness and the need for hate-crime legislation reform. She is the mother of Matthew Shepard, the college student who was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 8 p.m.

## Wednesday

**U.S.-Cuban Policy**

Listen to a lecture by Wayne Smith, director of the Cuba Program, titled, "U.S. Policy Towards Cuba: The Enduring Perfect Failure."  
Room 315, Searles Science Building,  
7 p.m.

**The Laramie Project**

This play, an independent study directed by Mike Wood '06, employs unconventional methods to tell the story of gay college student Matthew Shepard and features Bowdoin students as performers.  
Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
7-9 p.m.

## Thursday

**Mapping the Global Future**

Dr. Gordon '71, Vice Chairman of the National Intelligence Council, will deliver a lecture titled, "Mapping the Global Future."  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

**Film: "Nada"**

Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center,  
7 p.m.

**The Laramie Project**

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
7-9 p.m.



Drew Ballon, '06 Bowdoin Orient  
A view of Sea Dog from across the Androscoggin River.



# WEEKLYCALENDAR

## March 3-March 9

### Friday

#### Physics and Astronomy Lecture

Attend a lecture titled, "When Stars Attack! In Search of Near-Earth Supernova Explosions," presented by Professor Brian Fields of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He will focus on the effects of a star that exploded near Earth three million years ago.  
Room 313, Searles Science Building,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

#### Home

A musical about life and love after college, written and directed by seniors Davin Michaels, Michael Lobiondo, and James Nylund.  
Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 8-10 p.m.

#### Shabbat Candle Lighting

Johnson House, 5 p.m.

#### Film: "Blood Simple"

A Texas bar owner hires a private detective to spy on his cheating wife.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.

#### Pints With Profs

Seniors, join professors for an evening of drinks and conversation.  
Jack Magees Pub, Smith Union, 6 p.m.

#### Salsa Dancing

Come to a Salsa Dance sponsored by LASO. An hour-long salsa lesson will kick off the evening.  
Elks Lodge, 179 Maine St., 7-11 p.m.

### Saturday

#### The Grand Derangement

Listen to an internationally acclaimed six-piece Acadian band from Nova Scotia perform a variety of music combining jazz, funk, and Celtic rhythms.  
Morrell Lounge, Smith Union,  
8 p.m.-12 a.m.

#### Meditation in Motion

Join this workshop led by yoga teacher Beandra Davis to learn how to deepen self-awareness, awaken creativity, and use writing and yoga in everyday life.  
The Barn Yoga Studio, 31 Payne Road,  
Topsham, 1-5 p.m.

#### Film: "Blood Simple"

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.

### Sunday

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

#### Communion

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to an Episcopal communion led by Edie and Gil Birney.  
Mitchell South Dining Room,  
Thorne Hall, 4:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### Exporting Democracy

Josh Muravchik of the American Enterprise Institute and Chris Preble of the Cato Institute will discuss the best ways for America to promote democracy abroad and whether it is in its best interest to encourage democratic reform.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
7:30-9 p.m.

#### Ace the Interview

Learn tactical strategies and mind-body techniques that will help you hone your interview skills and learn how to reduce interview anxiety.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 7 p.m.

#### Magical Realism

University of Virginia professor Gustavo Pellon gives a lecture titled, "Why Are Europeans and North Americans Obsessed With Magical Realism?"  
Faculty Room, Massachusetts Hall,  
7:30 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Cuban Poetry Reading

Gary Lawless, co-owner of the Gulf of Maine Bookstore, will give a reading of Cuban poetry sponsored by LASO.  
Little Dog Coffee Shop, 87 Maine St.,  
Brunswick, 4-6 p.m.

#### Judy Shepard Lecture

Judy Shepard will give a speech about gay awareness and the need for hate-crime legislation reform. She is the mother of Matthew Shepard, the college student who was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1998.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 8 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### U.S.-Cuban Policy

Listen to a lecture by Wayne Smith, director of the Cuba Program, titled, "U.S. Policy Towards Cuba: The Enduring Perfect Failure."  
Room 315, Searles Science Building,  
7 p.m.

#### The Laramie Project

This play, an independent study directed by Mike Wood '06, employs unconventional methods to tell the story of gay college student Matthew Shepard and features Bowdoin students as performers.  
Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
7-9 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Mapping the Global Future

Dr. Gordon '71, Vice Chairman of the National Intelligence Council, will deliver a lecture titled, "Mapping the Global Future."  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

#### Film: "Nada"

Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center,  
7 p.m.

#### The Laramie Project

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater,  
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## Bradley to step down, take talents abroad



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Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley will leave Bowdoin to promote international education with the Aga Khan Development Network.

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley spent the second week of Spring Break in Paris, where he and his family selected the school that his daughters will attend in the fall. Bradley, his wife Elizabeth, and his daughters, Anna and Laura, will be moving to France this summer when Bradley joins the Aga Khan

Development Network, a career move that requires he step down as dean of student affairs at the end of the academic year.

"I hadn't been seeking to leave Bowdoin," Bradley said. "I've had overtures [to leave Bowdoin] over the past few years, but I've never really had any serious interest in

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## College plans to reach target student body cap of 1,700 by '08

by Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

The Board of Trustees has agreed to hit a target on-campus student body population of 1,700 by the 2008-2009 academic year, according to Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley at a faculty meeting on March 7. The current on-campus student body population is 1,666, up from 1,635 in the fall of 2001 when President Barry Mills was inaugurated.

Mills said in an interview with the Orient the targeted cap of 1,700 "has been known for years." The cap, however, has not been widely publicized.

He also said that the student body will not exceed that approximate cap so long as he is president.

Mills expressed a desire in 2001 to explore the possibility of expand-

ing the student body to 1,800 in public statements, including his inauguration speech—though he never specifically called for a student body increase to 1,800. However, a study later indicated that it would not make financial sense to expand the student body to such a number given the size

of the endowment and concluded that 1,700 should be the cap so student services and other resources would not be stretched thin.

Mills said growing the student body will allow for more students with differ-

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## Iraq war: Community hesitant 3 years later

by Anna Karass  
ORIENT STAFF

Although nearly 6,000 miles separate Bowdoin College and the frontlines of the Iraq war, three years after American troops set foot on Iraqi soil, many members of the Bowdoin community are becoming increasingly wary of the war and President

Bush's continued optimism.

"I think a lot of people just want it to go away," junior Katie Grimm said of America's involvement in Iraq. "It's business as usual. Bush messes up and people watch it on TV for a few minutes and switch back to the OC."

For Professor of Economics David Vail, this disconnect between U.S. operations in Iraq and the daily lives of most Americans is an historical anomaly.

"Historically, war meant sacrifice in some way or form as taxes went up and services went down," Vail said.

"Things are so quiet because there isn't a draft, so kids don't need to worry. Although they are off the

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## Housing crunch prompts more students per room

Stowe, Howard Halls to house 'quints,' RAs to take on more roommates

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

The Office of Residential Life has planned significant alterations for certain campus living spaces in response to a housing shortage caused by increased demand for on-campus housing. These changes will have immediate implications for the upcoming housing lottery. Residential Life plans to officially make the updated lottery information available today.

Beginning next fall, all of the

quads in Stowe Hall and three of the 14 quads in Howard Hall will take on an extra occupant and become "quints," adding a third bed to one of the two bedrooms, which currently house two beds each. A draw for these five-person spaces will occur on the first day of the housing lottery, Tuesday, April 11, along with the "small houses" and chem-free residences.

Additionally, 20 of the 55 two-person Brunswick Apartments will accommodate a third resident and half of the single-occupancy rooms in Stowe Inn and Smith House will be turned into doubles.

Helmreich House and Baxter House will include one and two additional residents, respectively.

The tradition of not filling the rooms of Residential Assistants (RAs) to their capacity as a perk will be discontinued indefinitely beginning next fall.

The changes to the College's residential accommodations were made in response to projections that the present arrangements would fail to meet the needs of next year's student body. Residential Life took input from students and Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) representatives before deciding on specific changes to housing. It also took the square footage of each living space into account.

According to Director of

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## Security seeks suspected computer crooks

by Beth Kowitz  
ORIENT STAFF

"but it is a big dorm though so it's probably a good target."

The dorm turned out to be a target when, in the early hours of March 5, two laptops from the fourth floor and two from the third, each valued at about \$1,500, were stolen by what Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols described as non-Bowdoin students visiting from out of state.

"They were not known to the vast majority of the people in Chamberlain," Nichols said.

According to Nichols and Security Officer Paul Healey, who is the primary investigator of the case along with Patrol Supervisor Lester Wood, five males are suspected of being involved, four of whom were

actually in Chamberlain at the time. Nichols said Security believes the fifth male is a former Bowdoin student, but would not give more detail because the case is still undergoing investigation.

Healey has interviewed approximately 20 students. The Brunswick Police Department and also the Massachusetts authorities are involved. Nichols said as of yet no eyewitnesses have come forward, but a videotape exists that is "useful but not conclusive."

None of the property has been recovered, and Nichols and Healey believe it has been taken out of state.

"Unfortunately the property is

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## Students spend spring break serving strangers



Courtesy of Eli Maitland

Alana Wooley '06 was a member of the ASB trip to Thailand, where her group worked with families affected by the sex trade. (See story, page 8.)

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Bowdoin senior  
Jon Landry signed  
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# Classes, student projects examine local, global poverty crises

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

With the start of kNOW Poverty Week on Tuesday, the College will put a spotlight on a theme that has been growing in prominence over the last year and one that many hope will continue to draw attention and action.

In an effort that some say has transcended traditional academic boundaries, a group of students and faculty has been working on a variety of initiatives focusing on poverty, including an interdisciplinary course, Examining Poverty, and a push for the creation of a poverty studies center that would include a course cluster to help students identify pertinent classes.

Also, over the next two weeks, lectures, discussions, and other presentations will examine issues of poverty as part of kNOW Poverty Week in the hope of stimulating education, awareness, and action, according to AmeriCorps VISTA Sarah Mountcastle '05.

In interviews with faculty members, several expressed their excitement with the current developments surrounding the theme of poverty and discussed their plans and hopes for the future.

"I think Bowdoin has shifted in being interested in issues of poverty, whether local or national," said Director of the Community Service Resource Center Susie Dorn. "There's a growing interest and heightened awareness on campus from faculty, students, and alumni."

kNOW Poverty Week kicks off on Tuesday with the opening of an exhibit featuring photography taken on Alternative Spring Break trips. It will continue for two more weeks and culminate with a Common Hour lecture by New York Times writer Jason DeParle.

Each day will examine poverty from a different perspective. For example, Thursday will focus on poverty and health, featuring presentations by a local AIDS prevention and treatment organization and a physician-epidemiologist.

Other events include presentations by students who have worked in the Gulf Coast after Hurricane Katrina, a trip to Bowdoinham to help build a house with the Bowdoin chapter of Habitat for Humanity, which will be followed by a "sleep-out" on the quad to raise awareness about homelessness, and a seminar on the United Nation's Millennium Goals, led by two people working on the project in New York City.

"My first goal is for everyone who is on campus to know that kNOW Poverty Week is going on," Mountcastle said. "My second goal is to urge people into action. The more you learn about a subject and the more it's firsthand, the more you're passionate about it. When you go out into the field and do something about it, that's when you can be a spokesperson for an issue and a voice for change."

## In the classroom and beyond

According to Dorn, the idea for the interdisciplinary course stemmed from the informal discussions held after Hurricane Katrina, as part of the College's "12 Days/12 Months" program. The discussions examined the social and physical ramifications of the hurricane and were moderated by professors from different disciplines.

"We really wanted to do this course that helped students think about how people from different disciplines look at issues of poverty," said Nancy Jennings, associate dean of academic affairs and associate professor of education, who teaches the class with Dorn. "So we designed this half-credit

course that allowed professors to come in and talk about their research and the methodology they use to look at poverty."

The course, which meets once a week over dinner at MacMillan House, has so far featured guest lectures by professors of art, economics, history, sociology, and environmental studies. Later in the semester, more professors will discuss the relationship between poverty and education, anthropology, and philosophy.

Assistant Professor of History and Environmental Studies Matthew Klinge lectured with Assistant Professor of Economics Ta Herrera on environmental aspects of poverty.

"In a sense, bringing in the environment to a study of poverty gets to a literal base of what poverty is, which is unequal access

to power," Klinge said. "The reason why we thought it was important was because questions of the environment boil down to issues of allocation and access to resources and amenities. As such they provide an avenue in which to think about poverty in ways that go beyond many of the discussions that take place on this campus when we discuss social class and inequality."

In addition to attending the weekly class, students are also required to develop their own service-learning placement. Bruce Courtney '06 has worked with a Bath organization, ArtVan, which provides middle and lower-income elementary school students with a creative outlet. Currently, Courtney is working with these students to create a mural at the local recycling center.

"I find my project to be very satisfying because while most of the projects in class focus on poverty in the present, this deals with poverty in the future, trying to give kids an outlet to expand their lives beyond what they have access to right now," Courtney said.

Ian Yaffe '09 said that the class has

allowed him to get credit for continuing a project that he had already started in the previous semester with classmates Katie Kindick '09 and David Falkoff '09.

"We're working to bring a campus kitchen to Bowdoin, and right now pretty much all the cards are laid down to get something started in the coming weeks," Yaffe said.

"We're hoping to utilize some of the food that Bowdoin otherwise would have thrown away unserved and get that to the Midcoast Hunger Prevention Program. Dining Service is going to start prepping a meal monthly for the Tedford shelter, and then in the

*"We're hoping to utilize some of the food that Bowdoin otherwise would have thrown away unserved and get that to the Midcoast Hunger Prevention Program."*

formal course of study, but it recognizes a moral responsibility and it recognizes personal issues of interest of many faculty. Bowdoin students have to confront what their responsibility is toward poverty, toward an appropriate sense of equality," he said.

Cornell emphasized the idea that students have a moral responsibility to the common good and that the center could be a way to navigate that responsibility.

"Bowdoin used to be an all men's Christian college. Now what replaces that one religion? It's not a theocratic institution, and I think the notion of working towards eliminating injustice and working towards distributive justice is a worthy means of establishing cultural and religious value," Cornell said.

"President Hyde's 'Offer of the College' was written in 1906. Now, a hundred years later, we want to freshly define the good in relationship to issues of global, distributive, and environmental justice. These

are foundational to Bowdoin and to education," he said.

## Bringing it home

In discussions with students, faculty, and staff, many stressed the importance of both education and action, and praised Bowdoin's interdisciplinary approach to the issue of poverty, saying that approaching an issue from a variety of perspectives enriched and increased their understanding.

"It's been this interesting confluence of talking about poverty from different disciplines and aspects, but also from the academic piece and practical work piece," said Jennings.

"So it's been, I think, a really potent mix of ideas and experiences. They're an amazingly smart and committed group of people. I've learned a lot from all of the people in the room. It's been a great experience, and I'd like to think more about how to adapt it—what else you could do to offer similar experiences around the same or different topics in the future," she said.

Klinge also commended the College's approach.

"Community service is fine, but all too often, community service, when it is not envisioned as a long-term commitment, is a short-term solution or limited engagement to something that is far more complex," Klinge said.

"Likewise, the classroom is a way for students to get exposed to those issues, but the way you can integrate those two perspectives is setting up student-faculty interactions for outreach," he said.

Yaffe agreed, saying, "Everyone in this class is genuinely concerned with what we're studying."

"It helps to have some classes where you've got different backgrounds, but we all share something in common in that we really want to try to understand this. Any class where you have a bunch of people that are passionate about an area is what Bowdoin should be about," Yaffe said.

## Center for Poverty Studies

As an outgrowth of the activity on campus surrounding the theme of poverty, several faculty members are working to establish a Center for Poverty Studies.

## CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY REPORT: 3/2 TO 3/30

### Monday, March 6

•A student in West Hall reported that an iPod was stolen from his room on February 28 between noon and 11 p.m. The thief gained entry after the room door was left propped open. The iPod is black with a white case.

### Tuesday, March 7

•Office supplies were reported stolen from the checker station at Thorne Hall. Items included a paper punch, attendance clicker, stapler, and scissors.

### Wednesday, March 8

•A student reported a microwave stolen from a dorm room on the fourth floor of Coles Tower. The microwave was later recovered undamaged and returned to the owner.

•A Safe Ride van was involved in a minor collision with an illegally parked vehicle. There were no injuries.

### Thursday, March 9

•Security officers responded to a loud party complaint at Brunswick Apartments.

•Jonathan Hummel, 42, of Brunswick was issued a criminal trespass warning for all Bowdoin property after he was questioned for suspicious activity on campus.

•An intoxicated Moore Hall stu-

dent was cited for an alcohol policy violation.

•A Maine Hall student was cited for an alcohol policy violation at Jack Magee's Pub.

### Friday, March 10

•A staff member turned in a lost wallet belonging to a Brunswick resident.

### Saturday, March 11

•A male juvenile was observed acting suspiciously in the vicinity of Adams Hall and was questioned and issued a criminal trespass warning to stay off Bowdoin property for one year.

•Security seized a paintball gun after a report was received that three local men were firing it at vehicles parked at Brunswick Apartments.

•A report was filed with the Dean of Student Affairs regarding a student who has compiled a lengthy record of campus parking violations.

•A visitor's illegally parked vehicle did significant damage to the Coles Tower lawn. A local resident was identified as the vehicle owner.

### Sunday, March 12

•A fire alarm at Brunswick Apartments was activated by smoke from burnt food.

### Monday, March 13

•A student with a general illness was transported to Parkview Hospital.

### Thursday, March 16

•A fire alarm at Thorne Hall was activated by dust generated by contractors working in the basement.

•A faculty member reported \$50 missing from his wallet while he was swimming in Greason Pool.

### Friday, March 17

•A fire alarm at Winthrop Hall was activated by dust generated by a housekeeper cleaning the building.

•A student extinguished a grease fire in the kitchen at Johnson House.

### Monday, March 20

•A staff member, who cut his hand with a food chopper at Jack Magee's Pub and Grill, was transported to Parkview Hospital.

### Friday, March 24

•A malfunctioning smoke detector set off a fire alarm in Winthrop Hall. The electrical shop installed a new detector.

### Sunday, March 26

•A female student called Security from her vehicle to report that she was being followed by a man in a vehicle. The student was instructed to drive directly to the Security parking lot at Rhodes Hall where she was met by an officer. The suspect was identified and Brunswick Police is investigating.

### Monday, March 27

•Security officers apprehended a Massachusetts man who was harass-

ing a staff member on campus. The man was issued a criminal trespass warning for all Bowdoin property by Brunswick Police.

### Tuesday, March 28

•A student filed a report that his silver Mongoose bicycle was stolen from outside the main entrance to Smith Union.

•Students playing Frisbee on the Quad reported that they broke a window in Adams Hall when a student missed a pass.

•A long list of lost items accumulating at the Smith Union information desk was turned over to Security's property room. Most are items of clothing. Other items include two sets of car keys, four pairs of eyeglasses, and a camel-back gray backpack. Students wishing to look through the items may contact Security at x3314.

### Wednesday, March 29

•Brunswick Police notified Security that there has been a break in the investigation into the thefts of four computers at Coles Tower on August 29-30, 2004. The investigation is still underway and criminal charges are expected soon. A Dell laptop was recovered this week. The owner of the laptop, now a senior, has been notified.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.



## Mills says no alcohol 'divide' on campus, agrees with AG on underage drinking

by Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

President Barry Mills agreed with Maine Attorney General Steven Rowe that Bowdoin students could be influential in curbing underage drinking in the Brunswick community when asked in a recent interview with the Orient.

The Maine attorney general's call came at the first of 23 summits on underage drinking in the state on February 28 at Mt. Ararat School in Topsham.

The issue of drinking in high school is "a serious one," and it is important that Bowdoin students get more involved, said Mills.

"Bowdoin provides strong role models who would be entirely helpful [for high school students] to talk to about underage drinking," he said.

He also noted that this is already happening to a degree.

"Bowdoin students are certainly involved in working with young students," especially with sports teams, said Mills.

Adolescent boys especially need college-aged men to be role models, said Rowe at the Topsham meeting.

As for underage drinking on campus, when asked if he thinks fewer stu-

Mills did not indicate whether Bowdoin Student Government, Residential Life, or the college houses would be best to do such programming for non-alcohol events, and said it is a "college issue."

"We want to create an opportunity for students [who do not drink] to meet others [who do not drink]. We want to let them create their own communities," Mills said.

He said it is also important to understand that many international students approach drinking differently.

However, Mills recognized that, like at many schools, drinking can be a dominant part of the social life at Bowdoin.

"My hope is that if students do drink, they drink responsibly," Mills said.

According to Rowe, "Damage to the brain caused by alcohol is a problem even for college students" since brains are still developing until about age 20.

*"We need to do a better job of creating programs for students who do not drink."*

President Barry Mills

dents should drink on campus, Mills answered in the affirmative.

"We need to do a better job of creating programs for students who do not drink," he said, though he rejected the idea that there is an alcohol divide on campus.

"Divide' is the wrong word," Mills said.

## Survey measures student health

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

One hundred Bowdoin students were randomly selected to complete a health and wellness online survey, distributed for the second time since the formation of the College's Health and Wellness Committee.

"Three or four years ago we realized that we didn't have a way to take the temperature of Bowdoin students," said Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster.

After meeting with Director of Institutional Research Christine Cote, an online survey of 100 students was developed to address a wide variety of issues affecting students' well-being.

Included in the survey are questions on the subjects of sleep, diet and exercise, alcohol and drugs, and sexual health.

According to Foster, the committee hopes to do it every few years "so we can have some longitudinal data in looking at it."

While the bulk of the survey has remained in its original form so as to keep consistency among the data, Gwennan Hollingworth '06 worked

with Cote to add some new questions and rework some of the language so as to be more inclusive, particularly toward the Lesbian-Gay-Bi-Transgender-Queer community.

While many of the survey questions deal with sensitive issues, Foster hopes that the anonymity of the survey will encourage a higher response rate from students than in the past.

In its upcoming May meeting, the committee will have the results of both the health and wellness survey and the first-year survey on time management, conducted earlier in the year, on which to base assessments of Bowdoin students' overall well-being.

"The major focus of the first part of the retreat will be looking at the survey," Foster said. "It will be interesting to see whether there are any obvious differences between the two surveys," he added.

The committee, which is chaired by Tim Foster, was formed as an ad-hoc committee with a responsibility for the health and wellness of the Bowdoin student body approximately four years ago, bringing various members of the Bowdoin

community together.

Among the committee's current members are Director of Health Services Jeff Benson, Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli, Head Athletic Trainer Dan Davies, and Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols.

According to Foster, the committee was initially formed because "there were all these things going on at Bowdoin related to student health and well-being, but the things didn't seem very related. If we could come together, then we could identify the needs and talk about things to do."

Since its formation, the committee has met every year during exam week for a planning retreat, at which selected key topics are discussed as focuses for the coming year.

Among the topics commonly addressed are alcohol and drugs, eating disorders, and sexual assault. The committee has targeted issues of both mind and body in approximately equal measure, embracing a view that "if you're going to be successful at Bowdoin and beyond, one of our responsibilities is to play a role in helping you to lead a healthy life," Foster said.

*Rain water is pumped into the toilets to promote water efficiency in East and West Halls*

store bicycles, which encourages the use of alternative transportation, eliminating green house gases.

In addition, "We went with a white roof because we anticipate that the dorms will be used for summer programs," Payson said. The white roof component will cause sunlight to reflect off the roof, absorbing less heat.

In the water efficiency category, Payson said that the dorms were built with an "innovative waste collecting system," and explained that rain water is pumped into the toilets to promote water efficiency. She also indicated that the dorms received points for using local materials, which cut back on the amount of energy required to transport materials.

Other important environmentally friendly features include the windows

and importance of daylight in the new dorms, the use of recycled materials, and the individual thermostats that are located in all of the rooms.

With all the recent construction projects taking place on Bowdoin's campus, the decision to make buildings LEED certified has taken an important role.

"We've committed to going LEED certified for all new buildings," Payson said. "We're not seeking LEED certification for renovated buildings, although they [the renovated buildings] will be much more environmentally friendly than before."

Payson explained that although the College will not seek LEED certification for the renovation projects, Bowdoin has devised its own checklist of building design standards, based largely on Stanford University's

## 'Maus' graphic artist Spiegelman to speak



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

"Maus" and "Maus II" tell the author's father's story of pain and survival during the Holocaust. The books were this year's first-year book selections.

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

The graphic novels "Maus" and "Maus II" tell a profound story through an unexpected medium: comic books. Their creator, the 1992 Pulitzer Prize-winner Art Spiegelman, will be performing on Wednesday night at Bowdoin.

Spiegelman successfully combined a grim subject matter and the comic book medium to create "Maus," elevating the comic book genre to new levels with the publication of his stories of the Holocaust.

"A comic book about the Holocaust caused an explosion of response," Professor of English Marilyn Reizbaum said. "The incompatibility is often ignored by calling the books graphic novels, but Spiegelman's work is drawn directly from the tradition of comic books."

"[The medium] makes the story more accessible," said first-year Jenna Petillo. "People who are less likely to read about this time in history are given a different way to do so."

The illustrated characters of "Maus" and "Maus II" are mice (Jews), and cats (Nazis). The books deal both with the horrors of World War II experienced by Spiegelman's father and the subsequent effects of the war on their lives.

Born in Stockholm, Sweden, Spiegelman and his family immigrated to the United States when he was a child. Resisting his parents' desire that he become a dentist, Spiegelman began drawing professionally at the age of 16,

later working as a creative consultant for Topps Bubble Gum Co., teaching history and aesthetics of comics at the School for Visual Arts in New York, as well as contributing regularly to a number of underground "comix" (graphic novels) publications.

In 1980, Spiegelman and his wife Francoise Mouly founded the avant-garde comics magazine RAW. He has worked as a staff artist and writer for The New Yorker. In 1997, Spiegelman wrote a children's book called "Open Me...I'm a Dog."

Spiegelman has continued his work as a political graphic artist/writer in recent years. "In the Shadow of No Towers" was published in 2004. The controversial nature of Spiegelman's work has not diminished over time.

The Class of 2009 was given "Maus" and "Maus II" to read over the summer as its first-year books. The books were then used as the focus of discussion groups facilitated by faculty and staff during orientation.

First years answered frequently, "It's awesome" in response to Spiegelman's upcoming performance.

"It's exciting that students will be able to engage in a discussion with the author after having read his work over the summer," Tucker Hermans '09 said.

"It is not always possible for the author of the first-year book to visit Bowdoin," said Associate Professor of History Susan Tananbaum. "Fortunately the Spindel committee was able to secure Mr. Spiegelman."

Bowdoin is able to bring Spiegelman to campus on behalf of the Harry Spindel Memorial Lectureship in Judaic Studies and Contemporary Jewish Affairs. Rosalynne Spindel Bernstein and Sumner Bernstein, in homage to Rosalynne Bernstein's father's lifelong devotion to Jewish learning, created the lectureship in 1977.

Spiegelman's appearance is listed as a performance, and a professional crew will be in charge of the lighting and sound.

Because Spiegelman is not only an author but an illustrator as well, his performance will include projections.

"So much of his work is about the process of how to develop an understanding of an event like 9/11 or the Holocaust through art and writing," said Assistant Professor of English Aviva Briefel.

The expectation is that Spiegelman will speak about these two aspects of his work as well as an artist's method of creation.

"Mr. Spiegelman is a renowned author. I expect his performance to be compelling and for the tickets to go quickly," said Tananbaum.

Spiegelman will perform on April 5 at 7:30 p.m. in Pickard Theater. A reception will follow in Drake Lobby.

## New dorms earn environmental certification

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

The new first-year dormitories, East and West Halls, were certified as "green" at the silver level by LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design). Silver is the third-highest ranking possible out of four.

Coordinator for a Sustainable Bowdoin Keisha Payson explained that the level ranking is based on a point-value system.

"The new dorms received 36 points," Payson said, allowing the dorms to be solidly placed into the silver level. Payson indicated that Bowdoin received points in all categories of certification, including sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, indoor environmental quality, and innovation and design process.

For the sustainable sites category, Bowdoin decided to create a place to

## Dean Bradley will be remembered for 'honesty and integrity' when he leaves in July

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doing that since this is my home, professionally and personally."

"That's the thing about a choice—there are trade-offs. The trade-off to leaving is making a contribution to this effort that is so compelling. I think I can make a contribution there and I'm drawn to do that," he said.

The Aga Khan Development Network is an organization that, under the direction of its spiritual leader, the Aga Khan, dedicates its efforts to serve others by providing education on a global scale. The network operates more than 300 schools in India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, and Tajikistan in areas where education was once non-existent. The first of these schools was created over 100 years ago in Zanzibar.

"Their faith calls them to serve the poorest and most in need and their tradition is to build schools and libraries and places of learning," Bradley said.

Bradley consulted with the Aga Khan Development Network for a number of years before the opportunity to work full-time with the organization was presented to him in January.

Come July, Bradley will be working on the Aga Khan Development Network's new initiative to create K-12 academies that will educate students using the international standard IB curriculum to prepare them for higher education. The academies will be need-blind, partially residential, and wireless, even in countries like Uganda where only eight percent of the population has electricity, according to Bradley. The organization has already opened one such academy in Mombasa, Kenya.

"Today, there are some opportuni-

ties, but there aren't many opportunities that will prepare [students] for places like Bowdoin. In addition to just giving people access to education, they look to create world-class international schools and the highest quality of education you can get," he said.

"Given the nature of the Aga Khan

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Peter Coviello  
Associate Professor of English

academy, this is a potential to serve the common good in a bigger way," Bradley said.

The search for Bradley's replacement began within one week of the announcement of his decision to leave, according to Assistant to the President Scott Meiklejohn. The search committee, chaired by President Barry Mills, has already started reviewing applications.

Bradley leaves behind a multifaceted legacy at Bowdoin. When he arrived in the summer of 1996, he immediately began work on the Commission on Residential Life, the committee that eventually proposed the idea of the College House System.

According to Bradley, when he first arrived at Bowdoin, there was data from the recent re-accreditation process suggesting an alarmingly low sense of community at Bowdoin. In fact, only 29 percent of students indicated satisfaction with community at the College.

When the same question on sense of community was posed to the student body again last spring, some 85 percent of students reported satisfaction.

"That's my legacy," Bradley said.

Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli was one of three student representatives on the commission who worked alongside the new dean of student affairs to solve the problems posed by the Greek System at Bowdoin.

"Craig was incredibly respectful of Bowdoin's history," Pacelli said. "He listened closely to the experiences that many different Bowdoin students were having and thought critically about the role of fraternities at Bowdoin."

As advisor to the Judicial Board (J-Board), Bradley has also overseen the transition of the J-Board to a widely respected institution of the College.

"In terms of the J-Board, he oversaw instituting policies that were clear and fair and humane," Associate Professor of English Ann Kibbie said.

Associate Professor of Government and Asian Studies Henry Laurence, who works alongside Bradley training the new members of the J-Board, agreed.

"It's developed into an institution that takes academic standards of integrity very seriously," he said. "His handling of some of the really ugly Judicial Board cases that became lawsuits has just been exemplary."

Bradley also leaves behind an office of staff members who have worked together as a team for years.

"One aspect of his legacy is having built a really strong office and staff there. It's clear he's someone who can build a strong team, and which Craig at the helm of that, I've really relied on him," Kibbie said.

"He's built a team of people with his values of honesty, integrity, and humanness," Laurence said.

According to Laurence, Bradley saw the successful transition of the College from a typical university fraternity scene to an impressive and diverse institution.

"We've had a colossal change in the make-up of the College that Craig's really had to shepherd. The Bowdoin he leaves is a very different one than the Bowdoin he arrived at," Laurence said.

Associate Professor of English Peter Coviello agreed.

"His legacy will be having built up an institution where residential life is rigorous, thoughtful, intelligent, careful, and strong, in ways that really outshine other places I've been," he said.

In a campus-wide email sent March 3, Mills praised Bradley for his dedication to building a more diverse community during his 10 years at the College.

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"An exceptional partner to me, our faculty, and our admissions staff in building a more diverse student body and a pluralistic college community, Craig and his staff have also done the essential work of helping our students succeed and thrive here," Mills wrote.

Faculty members have also commended Bradley for the receptiveness with which he tackled even the most difficult of problems brought before him.

"He's been wonderfully responsive

to all sorts of problems I've brought to him," Coviello said. "I cannot say enough about the thoughtfulness with which he approaches the everyday problems," he said.

"All of these kinds of nasty problems—Craig takes them all on himself," Laurence agreed, mentioning the vast spectrum of concerns, from cheating to violence to vandalism to drug use, that the dean of student affairs has to deal with. "He handles all of that stuff in an incredibly responsible way, and he keeps an incredibly good humor about the whole thing."

Although the Bowdoin community is disappointed to see Bradley leave, students and staff understand that to work for the Aga Khan Development Network is a great opportunity.

"I think it's a wonderful use of his talents," Laurence said. "It's part of who Craig is—someone who wants to make a positive difference."

"We find great people, and they get even greater while they are here, and then they go off and do great things," Bowdoin Student Government President DeRay McKesson '07 said. "And it's sad to lose them."

Bradley and his family will keep their home in Brunswick. His wife and daughters plan to return to Maine for entire summers, while Bradley plans to visit for at least a few weeks. During the year, the family will look to rent their home to visiting faculty or students.

"I've always felt from the first day I came here it was just the right place for us," Bradley said. "While this is a new chapter, I don't feel I am severing the ties to this place."

He concluded, "My 11 year old has declared that this is where she's going to go to college, now that she can't finish her childhood in Brunswick, and I couldn't be prouder."

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

### Slap bands to increase nighttime visibility, fashion

Slap bands—which many students remember as a childhood bracelet fashion fad in the late 1980s and early 1990s—will attempt a comeback next week when Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) and the Department of Safety and Security distributes Bowdoin-branded reflective versions of the bands to students.

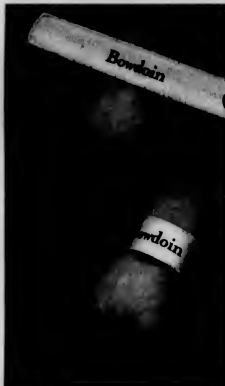
This time the slap bands are less about fashion and more about safety. The reflective bands are designed to increase nighttime visibility for pedestrians.

The project is the result of a collaboration between Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols and the BSG Facilities Committee, led by Will Donahoe '08.

The bands are typically worn on the wrist, but could also be worn on the ankle or upper arm. The spring-action bands wrap around one's wrist when slapped onto the arm.

"We wanted to have a safety device available to students that would be cool enough that they would actually think to wear when they go out," Donahoe said.

According to Donahoe, the bands have already been distributed to BSG members, security officers, and administrators, including



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

BSG Vice President of Facilities Will Donahoe '08 hopes the slap bands are "cool enough" for students to wear them out.

President Barry Mills.

The bands will be distributed along with a pamphlet on campus security in Smith Union on Tuesday between 3:30 and 5:00 p.m. They will also be available at the security office.

### Mitchell '54 to lead MLB steroid use investigation

George Mitchell '54 has been selected to lead an investigation into alleged steroid use by Major League Baseball (MLB) players, MLB Commissioner Bud Selig announced Thursday.

The former U.S. senator's firm will have the authority to investigate whether MLB players used substances banned by the league's contract during the years 2002-2006, Selig said in a statement. Should Mitchell determine a wider investigation is necessary, he has permission to "follow the evidence wherever it may lead," Selig said.

Mitchell will be assisted by members of the law firm he chairs, DLA Piper of New York, and two other lawyers selected by Selig.

"Senator Mitchell is one of the most respected public figures in the nation," Selig said. "His career in public service is beyond reproach and his integrity and leadership ability are beyond question."

The Bowdoin alumnus has had previous experience investigating impropriety in sports. In 2002, he chaired a commission investigating the bidding process for the 2002

Olympic Games. Mitchell is also on the board of directors of the Boston Red Sox.

After graduating from Bowdoin in 1954, Mitchell served in the U.S. Army Counter Intelligence Corps and earned a law degree at Georgetown University. He became a U.S. senator in 1980, and later served as Senate majority leader. In 1994, he turned down an offer from President Bill Clinton for a nomination to the Supreme Court. He left the Senate in 1995, and later led peace negotiations in Northern Ireland. He is currently the chairman of the board of directors of the Walt Disney Company, and founded the Maine-based Senator George J. Mitchell Scholarship Research Institute, which provides hundreds of scholarships to Maine students each year.

### Watson Fellows named, to do research Down Under

Seniors Drew Fulton and Rebecca Selden were among the 50 students nationwide selected as recipients of the Thomas J. Watson Fellowship, a unique program that provides graduating seniors grants for a year of travel and study.

Fulton will spend his year in

Australia, working on his project titled, "Of Emus and Fairywrens: Photographing Australia's Endemic Birds." He hopes to track down and photograph as many of the 330 birds unique to Australia as he can. Fulton is currently photo editor of the Orient.

Selden's project, "Sea Turtle Ecotourism: Impacting Human and Turtle Populations," will also bring her to Australia, as well as the Cayman Islands, Brazil, and Sri Lanka. She will study the impact of humans on turtle populations, with particular attention to the attitudes of local communities toward turtles and the methods used by conservation groups to protect them.

The self-stated mission of the fellowship is to provide its recipients with the opportunity for "purposeful exploration and travel outside of the United States in order to enhance their capacity for resourcefulness, imagination, openness, and leadership and to foster their humane and effective participation in the world community."

The fellowship, first offered in 1968, currently provides its recipients with a \$25,000 stipend for their year's travels.

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# Iraq war continues to be source of campus debate, frustration three years later

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hook now, they will pay the price in number of ways over time. There are all sorts of other issues that we might have focused on. We could have made Social Security completely solvent for about half of the price of the war," Vail said.

While sophomore Will Hales expressed concern about the administration's plan for Iraq, he believes that there is little the United States can do to influence the situation.

"There is no clear strategy for Iraq," Hales said. "And at this point, the question has much less to do with the political climate here, and much more to do with the circumstances surrounding the current operations undertaken by coalition and Iraqi forces."

For the co-chair of Bowdoin Students for Peace, Sara Schlotterbeck '08, any U.S. strategy should be based on the needs of the Iraqi people.

"It is difficult to know what to do in this ever-changing situation. If there is one consensus in our group, it is that whatever we do should be done in the best interest of the Iraqi people," she said.

Professor of Government Christian Potholm maintains that Americans are too impatient to see the progress that has been made.

"Americans can't stand any blood. The American public wants war to be short and bloodless. But I tell my classes that it will last 40 to 50 years," he said. "In terms of Iraq's experience with democracy, it is happening at warp speed, but not fast enough for impatient Americans."

College Republicans Chairman Alex Linhart '06 is confident in Bush's ability.

"We have entered into this conflict with the moral high ground on our side," said Linhart. "America, our 'city on a hill,' is once again fighting to preserve the god-given freedom of all peoples worldwide. We will succeed."

As Iraq confronts sectarian violence sparked by last month's bombing of a revered Shia religious site in Samarra, politicians inside and outside Iraq have worried that Iraq is on the verge of civil war, despite Bush's assertion that the "Iraqis took a look and decided not to go to civil war."

However, according to Visiting Assistant Professor of Government Shelley Deane, the situation is much more complex because while the current violence has not reached the threshold of a civil war, Iraq is still in a very precarious situation.

"Technically speaking, civil war definitions incorporate measures such as conflict duration, battle death toll, and the participation of government forces," she said. "The alleged involvement of Shia death squads backed by the government along with a body count of 200 bodies in Baghdad alone in the last two weeks suggests we're engaged in much more than a semantic struggle."

The U.S. military's response to this ethnic divide is a major concern for co-president of the Maine College Democrats, Bree Dallinga '06, who believes that military policies in Iraq have only strengthened ethnic identities.

"Whenever the U.S. leaves, the

only purpose the American military will have served is to train each side for civil war," she said. "When you split police or military forces along tenuous cultural and ethnic lines, only the completely ignorant would expect anything less than chaos and civil war."

Vail is not only concerned about the more tangible financial costs of America's efforts of Operation Iraqi Freedom, but also its price in terms

growing anti-American sentiment in her native Turkey.

"Many people feel like it was an attack for oil, strengthening the dollar, and other stuff. Before the war, America was seen like a place you would want to go, but now people don't think Americans are as welcoming to foreigners," Ozergin said.

"After Abu Ghraib, there were many more protests and people started seeing it more like an ugly war rather than an attempt to bring Iraq democracy. People usually ask 'what would America do' if some other country did this to their people," she said.

Three years after the U.S. soldiers landed on Iraqi soil people remain sharply divided about whether or not Iraq and the world are better off after the topping of Saddam Hussein's regime.

For Dallinga, the lives of most Iraqis have not changed for the better with the arrival of American troops.

"The people of Iraq were not under a good government before the war, they certainly aren't during this war, and I do not believe it will get better for a long time after the war is over. There were things that were bad before and there are things that are bad now," she said.

Hales disagrees, believing that both Iraq and the world are safer without Saddam.

"Even critics of the war need to realize that Hussein was a bad guy, who needed to be taken down, and

as cliché as it sounds, the world is a better place with him on trial than it was with him as a dictator," he said.

Success in Iraq all depends on how it is measured, according to Deane.

"If the aim was to eliminate Saddam Hussein, then full marks. If, however, the aim was to build a solid democracy from the ashes of a dictatorship, then no," she said. "If a war is only as good as the peace that follows it then the answer has to be 'not especially.'"

For members of the Bowdoin community who do have friends and family in the Middle East, the war is more than a two-minute clip on the nightly news and a current event for debate.

The war took on a different meaning for many members of the Bowdoin Community following the deployment of Alex Cornell du Houx '06, a U.S. Marine, who touched down in Iraq on March 23.

Johanna Stickney, an administrative intern in the student aid office, changed her outlook on the war following her husband's deployment to the Middle East.

"Once I learned my husband would be going to the Middle East, I gained a new perspective on the war and its impact on our society. It becomes a daily reality, no longer a distant conflict or a news report. Life changes for those directly involved with the war and those changes remain long after the period of deployment," she said.

Nonetheless, Potholm believes the Iraq war is an integral part of the United States' larger war on terror.

"We have to fight the terrorists where they are," he said. "There shouldn't be any question that it is necessary."

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Christian Potholm  
Professor of Government

of U.S. credibility abroad.

"I don't know how future leaders are going to restore American credibility in the world," he said.

Potholm is worried about the effects of the Iraq war on America's position in the world, but believes that failure in Iraq and withdrawal of the troops are more damaging than the actual invasion.

"I'm very concerned that if America doesn't succeed then our credibility will fall with moderate regimes in the Middle East. Our credibility is on the line, but in a reverse way. We will be very damaged if we don't succeed," he said.

International student Hande Ozergin '08 has witnessed a change in attitude toward the Iraq war and

## DINNER WITH FRIENDS

The Association of Bowdoin Friends is an informal group of area residents interested in supporting the programs of the College.

In an attempt to foster more interaction and encourage friendships between students and the greater Bowdoin Community, the Association of Bowdoin Friends is continuing to offer dinner invitations to small groups of students.

To participate in "Dinner with Friends," email Dian K. Petty at [diank4@msn.com](mailto:diank4@msn.com) with your name, telephone number, and the best time to reach you by phone. Please include the names of the friend or two you would like to bring along, and don't forget to mention any dietary restrictions.

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## Propped doors create community, entice criminals

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probably long gone," Nichols said. "We've accumulated a lot of evidence, but not enough to make any arrests."

However, Nichols did say that on Wednesday one of three laptops stolen from Coles Tower in August 2004 was recovered and returned to a student, who is now a senior. One of the two suspects in the case was located and the property was recovered.

"Our record of getting things back has been very good this year," said Nichols.

David Duhalde '07, whose Dell laptop was stolen on March 5, said that he is comforted that it was not Bowdoin students who took his computer.

Sophomore Ben LeHay, whose iBook was stolen, agreed.

"It does make me feel better that it's not Bowdoin students, but it does make you wary of strangers," he said.

However, Bowdoin students may have made it easier for the suspects to enter the building. Duhalde said the door to Chamberlain was propped open with the hall phone that night.

"The four people who entered Chamberlain were actually let in by students and were also let in to Coles Tower," said Nichols. "We can have the most elaborate security system, but if we let people into buildings we're defeating this."

Duhalde and LeHay said they were pleased by the response time of Security, but Duhalde said he should have called Security earlier.

"In this instance, many said that they had sensed that something was wrong, but if one person had acted on it, we would have escorted [the suspects] off campus," said Nichols. "All we need was a phone call to alert us."

On the night the computers were stolen, Nichols said there was a good deal of traffic moving in and out of the dorm. Rashni Grant '08, who lives on the second floor, said she noticed random people walking around and made sure to close her door when she went to take a shower. She said now she is considering buying a lock for her computer.

"There's not much you can do besides telling students to be careful," she said. "You can take extra precautions, but you can't be looking over your shoulder all of the time."

Chamberlain resident Jeremy Huckins '06 is putting together a database of the serial numbers of the stolen property, which he said he'll use to search for the computers on the internet. Huckins, whose iPod and cell phone were stolen from his car last year at School Street, said that he and his quadmates have been more careful about shutting their door.



Alex Krippner for The Bowdoin Orient

Doors left open in Chamberlain Hall provided thieves easy access to rooms.

"We used to leave the door open all the time and our friend would come in and play Playstation even when we weren't there," he said. "Now we always lock it."

Healey and Nichols cited propped doors as a large factor in the crime.

"Sometimes it's perfectly safe to prop your door," said Nichols, "but when you prop a door you're giving a thief easy access."

However, students are concerned that keeping doors closed prohibits members of dorms from establishing a sense of community, especially in large dorms like Chamberlain.

"It created a friendlier environment with the doors propped," Grant said. "I know people who left their door propped all the time and now they make sure it's shut."

"It's kind of a contradiction between at the beginning of the year when we were all going to paint bricks and leave our doors open and now we have to leave them closed all the time," Wilkinson said.

Nichols said that this year the overall number of thefts has remained steady or slightly decreased, but in the last few years there has been a "pretty significant increase" in the theft of electronic equipment.

"I choose this school for that reason, that this is a place where you can leave your stuff out and no one will take it," LeHay said. "It's a disappointment, but it's still a safe place." Duhalde said he does not feel any

more uncomfortable on campus now than he did before his computer was stolen.

"It's not that Bowdoin's not safe," Duhalde said. "It's that we have to be a little bit smarter."

## ResLife faces housing shortage, will turn some quads into 'quints' in Stowe, Howard Halls

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Residential Life Kim Pacelli, the housing shortage is a result of several factors, including an increasing percentage of students who want to live on campus and a lack of college-owned property that is zoned for student occupancy.

"If you build it, they will come," she said. "The more housing is offered on campus, the more people will want to live here."

Pacelli said that the popularity of Stowe Hall and Howard Hall since their construction supports this theory. Those two dormitories were opened in 1996.

Residential Life elected not to change housing that is popular among seniors, such as quads in Coles Tower and Chamberlain Hall, in an effort to encourage seniors to live on campus.

"Campus feels more vibrant to me when there are more people on campus, and keeping seniors on campus is [a big part of that]," Pacelli said.

In recent years, the College has converted guest suites in Coles Tower to student residences and expanded the number of Brunswick Apartments to lodge a growing number of on-campus housing applicants. This semester, Residential Life added beds to rooms at Brunswick Apartments, Cleveland Street Apartments, and School Street Apartments in order to accommodate students returning from study abroad programs.

Some juniors have even found themselves living in the student lounges of first-year dorms. While several of these students conceded that it is not what they would consider an ideal setup, they were generally satisfied with their living situations.

"Living in a first-year dorm really isn't that bad," said Matt Chadwick '07, who lives with another junior in the basement of Coleman Hall. "It was unfortunate that we couldn't live in our first choice...but the location of

ent interests to come to Bowdoin.

"An increase by 50 or 60 students makes sense," and a slightly larger body could possibly allow Bowdoin to have an orchestra or a band, said Mills.

Mills agreed that 1,700 students was an appropriate cap. He said Bowdoin's infrastructure could be put at risk if the student body grows beyond that cap, and that the cap is necessary to ensure that Bowdoin can "act like a small school."

"Given the size of the endowment, it makes no sense [to go beyond 1,700]," said Mills.

Mills said in his 2001 inaugural address that expanding the student body "isn't an attempt to get more tuition into Bowdoin College."

In his recent interview with the Orient, he said, "We are not a tuition-based school...Tuition allows us to turn on the lights. Endowment allows us to be Bowdoin."

Asked how the slight growth of the student body might affect class sizes or the dining halls, Mills said it would have no effect.

"The dining halls are not overcrowded—I eat at them everyday," said Mills.

He also said, "Sixty-five percent of classes are small," and that in order to maintain a 10:1 student/faculty ratio, the College is looking to hire 12 new faculty members in the near future. He did not indicate in which departments

Coleman is good, and as a double we have a lot of space."

"It's better than living in Chamberlain," he added.

"Aside from the noise from the [dorm entrance] outside, it's not that bad," said junior Colin Beckman, who lives in the student lounge in Wirtthrop Hall. Beckman said that he is not frustrated with Residential Life.

As it strains to accommodate the increasing demand for on-campus housing, Residential Life has engaged

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such hirings could take place.

Mills also said the student body increase will have little or no effect on when students can or should study abroad.

"Bowdoin is among the most liberal of colleges in [determining] when students should study away," Mills said in regards to whether students should study away during the fall or spring of their junior year. "Bowdoin has maintained a laissez-faire philosophy."

As for how housing could be affected, Mills said, "What is driving the housing crunch is not the number of students, but the number who do not want to live off-campus."

Asked why he thinks that is, he said "People love our residential community." He also said it may be less attractive for students to worry about disrupting neighbors in off-campus housing situations.

"Bowdoin spent a ton of money on housing this year," Mills said in regards to the first-year dorm renovations and the newly-constructed East and West Halls.

Despite all of this, a significant housing crunch is expected for next year, according to Residential Life (see related story, page 1).

In regards to the prospect of having Harpswell and Pine Street apartments replaced in the near future, Mills said, "I suspect Harpswell and Pine Street down the road will be hard to maintain."

"It's an issue of competing institutional demands," she said.

Lancaster House, which is currently unused by the College, has been eliminated as a potential ameliorant to the housing squeeze for different reasons. The College recently conducted a financial analysis to determine whether extra space would be worth the expense of converting the property into a student residence. It determined that the projected cost of renovation did not justify what amounted to a relatively small increase in housing.

The former Beta-Sigma fraternity house at 14 McKeen St. could be approved for student housing pending a review by the Brunswick Department of Planning and Development, according to the zoning ordinance. However, according to Wilson, the College agreed with the Town of Brunswick

that the property would no longer be used as a student residence when it purchased it from the Beta Corporation after the College dismantled its Greek system in 1997. Wilson also said that the former fraternity's distance from campus also figured into the decision to stop housing students there.

He added that the College has no current plans to build new on-campus residence halls.

When the renovation of the first year bricks is complete in fall 2007, Residential Life projects that 20 to 25 spaces will be available to non-first years, should they be needed in the event of a future housing squeeze.

Though Pacelli predicted that some students will be frustrated by some of the changes to student housing, particularly in popular locations such as Brunswick Apartments, Smith House, and Stowe Inn, she said that students are generally positive about their living accommodations, which were ranked 16th among all U.S. colleges this year by the Princeton Review.

"People are generally appreciative of Bowdoin housing," she said.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

\*Attendance: 25/26. Absent: Mike LoBiondo '06.

\*BSG voted to approve all six new members of the Judicial Board by a vote of 19-2, with four abstentions. Four candidates were present and stood for introduction. The candidates' names were not announced to the body, and there was no discussion of the proposal. Alex Linhart '06 and Ted Lyons '06 voted against accepting the candidates. Joe Brazzi '06, Dustin Brooks '08, Sam Dinning '09, and Kristen Gunther '09

abstained because they felt they lacked proper information.

\*Facilities has introduced a OneCard system at the Smith Union information desk.

\*Five hundred reflective wristbands, provided by the Department of Security, will be distributed in upcoming weeks.

\*Twenty-four members voted to approve \$500 for Faculty-Staff Appreciation Day, which will occur on April 14.

\*BSG Affairs led a discussion on election rules, which will be voted on at next week's meeting.

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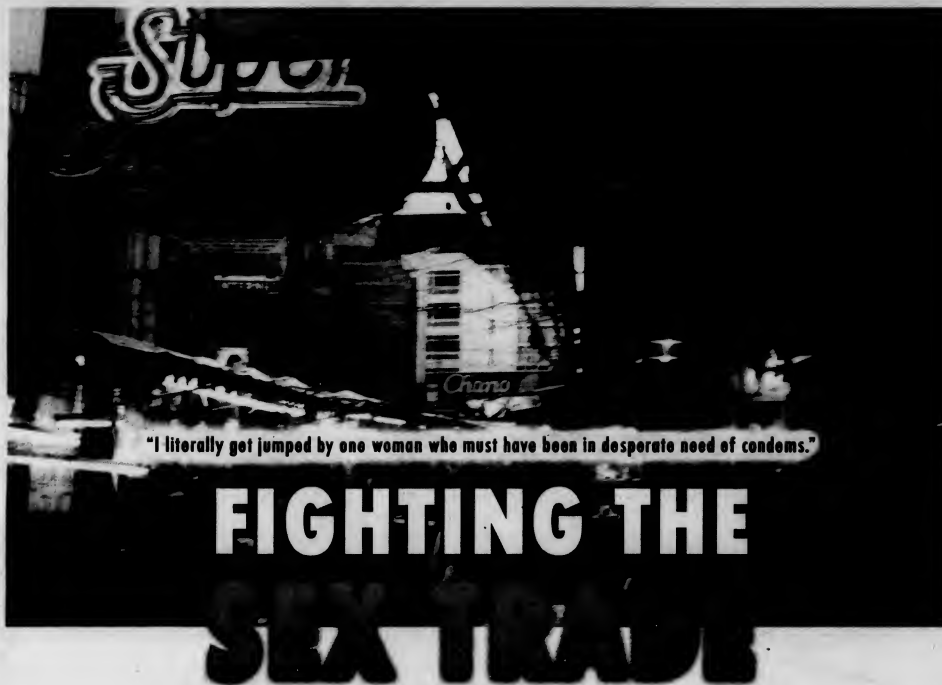
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# FEATURES



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During Spring Break, instead of spending time on the beach or relaxing at home, 10 other students on Alternative Spring Break and I fanned out in Bangkok's notorious red-light district of Patpong and handed out condoms to pole dancers and bar girls. To some group members, it seemed awk-

ward for these students from a tiny, frozen college in Maine to be promoting safe sex on the opposite side of the globe in the steamy city often referred to as the sex capital of the world.

"I felt unsure at first," said my trip mate Graham Quill '08, "thinking that it was silly and awkward for a foreigner to be handing out condoms and fliers."

This awkwardness passed within minutes, however, as the girls, las-

civiously clad in skimpy tops, began filtering out of the bars and brothels, clamoring for as many condoms as possible, as did hundreds of passersby. Meanwhile, people filled the already crowded streets, weaving their way in and out of open air shops and street vendors. With music blaring from the bars, and the smell of food stalls and sweating bodies pervading the air, the muggy tropical evening felt oppressive. Even in

the midst of this teeming street scene though, the distribution of condoms proved to be a leading attraction.

"We found out that everyone needed them and didn't really care who was handing them out," continued Quill. "I literally got jumped by one woman who must have been in desperate need of condoms."

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Students on an Alternative Spring Break trip explored issues surrounding the sex trade and poverty in Thailand. Working with a Thai NGO, they handed out condoms and information in the red-light district of Bangkok, pictured above.  
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## Getting enough sleep is vital to your well-being

Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: I've been reading reports about adolescents not getting enough sleep. Do you think that's a big problem at Bowdoin?  
— A Concerned Parent

Dear C.P.: Most of us don't get enough sleep. Forty percent of Americans are so sleepy during the daytime that it interferes with their daily activities. Adolescents, notoriously, don't get enough sleep. Most experts seem to feel that adolescents, on average, need between 8.5 and 9.25 hours of sleep nightly, but are only getting about seven hours.

Annual surveys here at Bowdoin consistently show half of students reporting that they go to sleep after 1:00 a.m. on weeknights and get up by 8:00 a.m. Not surprisingly, these same students indicate that they have trouble staying awake in class

at least once or twice a week, and nearly one-third of them feel too tired to function. More than 80 percent of students at Bowdoin report that they wish they could get more sleep.

Sleep is very simply a basic necessity of life, as fundamental to our health and well-being as air, food, and water. If we don't sleep well, or sleep enough, almost every aspect of our lives will suffer. When we're sleep deprived, we're less alert, less attentive, less able to concentrate, less able to make clear judgements, and less productive. We're also more irritable, more emotional, at increased risk for health and psychiatric problems, and, of course, more dangerous while operating machinery like bikes or cars. Over 100,000 car crashes each year are caused primarily by fatigue. They claim over 1,500 lives and cause over 70,000 injuries. Half of these fatigue-caused crashes involve drivers under the age of 25.

Sleep deprivation has been shown to impair memory formation and judgement. One study of first-year college students showed that sleep habits accounted for the

largest amount of variance in GPA. Another study showed that people who were taught a skill and then deprived of REM sleep (the stage of the sleep cycle during which dreaming occurs), couldn't recall what they had learned. Other studies have demonstrated a distinctive and progressive impairment of one's ability to think quickly and to multi-task, as one is increasingly sleep deprived. Even a single "all-nighter" produces a measurable decline in intellectual performance, most notably between 6:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. the following morning.

Sleep needs are genetically determined and can't be changed. You can't "adapt" to getting less sleep than you biologically need. Although you can somewhat improve your performance of specific tasks while sleep deprived, you won't be able to achieve optimal or consistent performance levels.

Some of us need more sleep, some less. If you wake up rested and refreshed in the morning, you're probably getting enough sleep. If, on the other hand, you routinely roll over to snatch a few extra zzz's in the morning, or you

need to catch up on your sleep on weekends or holidays, or you're put right to sleep by long meetings, boring lectures, overheated rooms or "heavy" meals, then you are probably not getting enough sleep.

Sleep deprivation is cumulative, and can't effectively be "made up." The more nights you get insufficient sleep, the sleepier you'll get each day.

Making up for lost sleep on weekends can be a two-edged sword. Studies have shown that irregular sleep schedules, and especially large shifts in sleeping and waking hours, can contribute to changes in sleep phase (the tendency to fall asleep and stay asleep at a given time of night). These changes can in turn lead to insomnia and fragmented, poor quality sleep.

Daytime naps certainly help. After all, more than half the world takes an afternoon siesta or xiu xi! Naps, though, need to be brief (no more than one hour), taken early in the afternoon, and should be avoided altogether if getting to sleep or staying asleep at night is difficult.

What about those who have trouble falling asleep?  
A balanced diet and regular exer-

cise are both important for high quality sleep, but not right before bedtime. Vigorous exercise can raise your internal body temperature and thereby delay sleep onset. Avoiding caffeine and other stimulants for at least four hours before bedtime, and alcohol and nicotine at least two hours, is also advisable. Alcohol may help you get to sleep, but it can fragment your sleep cycles, leaving you drowsy in the morning. For the same reasons, bedtime alcohol may also impair memory formation (not a good thing the night before an exam!).

A few other tips. Maintain as regular a bedtime and waking time as you can. Spend time outdoors, every day, out in the light. Develop bedtime routines to cue your body into sleep. Take a warm bath, or drink some herbal tea or warm milk, or listen to music or read. Find some stress-reducing activity that will help you relax—before you get into bed for that good night's sleep.

Be well! Sleep well and sleep enough!

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# Alternative Spring Break trip examines sex trade, poverty in Thailand

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Working alongside Thai colleagues from the Empower Foundation, a non-governmental organization (NGO), we also handed out pamphlets with information about Empower, a group based in the red-light district that provides various resources for women working in the sex industry. This was one of the various activities in a ten-day trip that began in the northern jungles of Thailand, and culminated in the capital city of Bangkok.

The 10 students and one staff member who traveled to Thailand over Spring Break spent their time exploring the sex trafficking industry, its causes and effects, how it can be curbed, and how to provide assistance to those already working in the industry. Our group worked with three different NGOs and one government-run organization in order to discuss their proj-

ects with them, to help them with their field work, such as the aforementioned distribution of contraceptives, and to teach English classes.

"Our work with the organizations was highly rewarding," said trip co-leader Michelle Chan '06. "It made individuals re-examine many of our ideas about poverty and sex trafficking."

"What we learned and observed while in Thailand supplemented much of what we learn academically at Bowdoin," she said.

Upon arriving in Thailand after nearly 30 hours of traveling, we flew to the far northern reaches of the country and trekked several miles through the jungle to the primitive village of Yafoo, home of the Lahoo hill tribe. Tucked into the mountains near the borders of Laos and Myanmar, the village was isolated and offered few physical comforts, but the Lahoo tribe welcomed us and opened their homes.

During two days in the village, we slept in bamboo huts, ate with native families and participated in various activities designed by the Mirror Art Group, another NGO that works with various hill tribes to educate them about the dangers of trafficking. We worked with young school children, helping them draw and teaching them to take photographs, as well as performing short skits to promote simple values such as friendship and education.

"I was amazed at how shy the children were when we first started drawing with them," said Sarah Mountcastle '05, an AmeriCorps volunteer.

"The language and cultural barriers we faced with the kids forced us to be creative in our approach to get them to express themselves through art," Mountcastle added.

Spending several days among the Lahoo wrenched all of us out of our privileged comfort zones. The

bamboo huts were built up on stilts in order to maintain the family livestock underneath. Everyday around 3 a.m., the hundreds of pigs, dogs and roosters in the village raised a ruckus that had us all tossing on mats until the village began stirring at dawn. Due to concerns about the risk of avian flu, we exercised extreme caution not to handle the livestock, including the chickens that ran underfoot throughout the village, or the mangy dogs that constantly sought our attention. We also avoided all forms of meat, eating vegetarian for the duration of our stay.

After five days in the north, we flew back to the capital of Bangkok, and stayed five days in the city, working with three other organizations. Daily activities brought us face to face with the realities of poverty and the trafficking industry that often exploits it.

The group also turned tourist occasionally, finding time for some leisure activities like shopping in the famous J.J. outdoor market, a massive collection of 8,000 shops and vendors selling nearly every product imaginable. We also visited Bangkok's Grand Palace of the Emerald Buddha, a huge complex of extravagantly decorated golden temples and pagodas. The group was lucky enough to be traveling

with two Thai students, Bier Kraichak '08 and Prae Suphachoen '06 who both attended high school in Bangkok. Both proved invaluable to the trip's success, serving as willing translators, tour guides, and facilitators.

This expedition was the first Alternative Spring Break trip to Asia. Throughout the school year trip leaders Chan and Lee attended weekly leadership training classes, and then held weekly group meetings over a two-month period once the roster was set. They meticulously planned every detail of the trip's itinerary, and worked closely with Mountcastle, who works in the Community Service Resource Center.

They also succeeded in securing a Freeman Grant, which added over \$2,000 to defray the trip's expenses.

Other participants on the trip included Kerry Twombly '08, Alana Wooley '06, Lindsey Buntman '06, and Kelly Orr '06.

The trip to Thailand was one of six service projects organized by Bowdoin's Community Service Resource Center, which oversees the college's Alternative Spring Break program, and is run by Sarah Seames, Bowdoin's coordinator of Community Service Programs. Other Bowdoin students traveled to Peru, Guatemala, New Mexico, Mississippi, and New York City.



Courtesy of Eli Maitland

Kerry Twombly '08 works with young Thai children on art projects in Yafoo Village, located in the northern mountains of Thailand.

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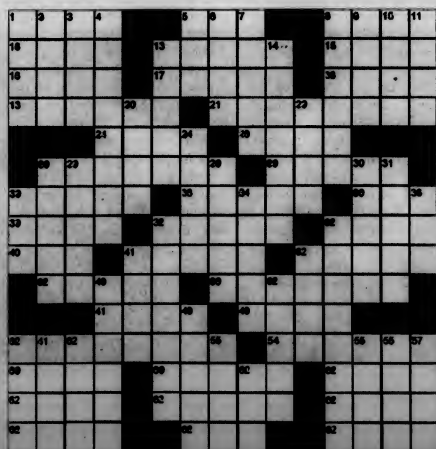
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## WEEKLY CROSSWORD: APRIL ATHLETICS



Puzzle by Adam Kimmel

### ACROSS

- 1 Fashionable
- 5 Winter mo.
- 8 Movie
- 12 What you say when you get hurt
- 13 Fast
- 15 New York canal
- 16 Stag
- 17 Humiliate
- 18 Abstain from certain foods
- 19 Junkie
- 21 Bowdoin's undefeated women's team
- 23 Sully
- 25 French and German river
- 26 Bowdoin runners, part 1
- 29 Bowdoin runners, part 2
- 32 Shopping expedition
- 33 In style
- 35 Zodiac's lion
- 37 Write one's name
- 38 Separate
- 39 Soybean
- 40 Halfway between north-east and east
- 41 Cop car topper
- 42 Want
- 43 Decree
- 45 Cold medicine
- 47 Smear
- 49 River sediment
- 50 This Bowdoin team visited Port Charlotte over break
- 54 Arm joints
- 58 Final Four team
- 59 Mock
- 61 A wager (2 wds.)
- 62 Greek society
- 63 Inches forward
- 64 Turkish currency
- 65 French party
- 66 Bruns. time
- 67 Sly look
- 3 Type of tea
- 4 Use for the first time
- 5 Catch
- 6 Opaque gem
- 7 Permissions to enter foreign countries
- 8 Soft felt hat
- 9 Part of the eye and spring flower
- 10 Fibs
- 11 Allot
- 12 2:1, for example
- 14 War of 1812 naval hero
- 20 Secret language
- 22 Exotic
- 24 Paramour
- 26 State
- 27 Goaded
- 28 Ranges
- 30 Part of garlic
- 31 Made lock openers
- 32 Halfway between southeast and south
- 34 Taxonomic category

### DOWN

- 1 Musical conclusion
- 2 Shaded

- 36 Grain
- 38 Locate
- 39 This Bowdoin team visited Cape Coral, Lee County, and Northwest
- 41 Crust from a wound
- 42 Phone
- 44 Imagine
- 46 18-across plural
- 48 Knife
- 50 Polish, shine
- 51 Land unit
- 52 Narrow strip of metal or wood
- 53 Drags
- 55 Off-Broadway award
- 56 "As you \_"
- 57 Sky light
- 60 Fisherman's tool

### SOLUTION TO LAST ISSUE'S PUZZLE

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## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

## Improvabilities bluff way through show



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The Improvabilities, Bowdoin's improvised comedy troupe, kicked off the final six-week sprint toward summer with a show last night in Kresge Auditorium.

## Hold Steady to keep Smith crowd rocking

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

For WBOR's annual concert tonight, The Hold Steady brings its straight-ahead, accessible rock to Smith Union.

The show owes much to the DJs at WBOR, and also to loyal fans Jesse McCree '06, Derek Kraft '06, and Matt Murchison '07. The three have been to several concerts and saw the potential for a successful show at Bowdoin. McCree and Kraft are both DJs at the radio station, and Murchison, in addition to being a WBOR DJ and the manager of Jack Magee's Pub, booked the band.

All three enthusiastically concurred with Rolling Stone and Spin, which named The Hold Steady's debut, "Almost Killed Me," as "the number one album you haven't heard but should," and the second album, "Separation Sunday," as one of the top 50 albums of 2005.

"They'll be huge in about two years," McCree said. "When we look at that Ben Folds poster in the union now and think, 'Wow, Ben Folds came here?' People will be saying the same thing about The Hold Steady in a couple of years."

The band is often described as a local favorite bar-band type, yet Kraft continued this description by saying

their brand of traditional rock fits best "at a bar where people are there for the band, and where the band is there as a fixture."

McCree agreed that The Hold Steady is not a band that is comfortable in the corners while the barflies mill around them, but instead embraces the fun that a bar band should bring.

"They have the clichés that come with a bar band, like pick slides before the guitar solos, stops, and more, but for them it doesn't sound like a cliché," he said. "It's not joke rock, but more a shout-out to Bruce Springsteen and the E-Street Band and adding their own hipster, religion, and drugs thing."

Another aspect of their music that makes The Hold Steady unique is their lyrics, drawing the attention of National Public Radio and leading to a web site where the station analyzed the band's many references to other rock songs, bars the band drank in, and even the Bible.

"You can't tell if it's a Christian who loves alcohol or an alcoholic who loves Jesus," Murchison said.

Kraft emphasized the interesting storytelling quality of the band's songs: "Storytelling is something that died with 70s singer-songwriters, so it's unique for rock."

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## A new fashion season Academy loses control, crashes

by Monica Ruzicka and  
Vanessa Kitchen  
COLUMNISTS

Are you ready to shed the layers and lose the wool? Sure, it's not quite that time yet, but soon enough you'll be able to expose more than the occasional collar bone. Spring fever will undoubtedly take hold in the next few weeks, so while you strip down, remember to style up.

During the much anticipated Fashion Week 2006, designers littered the runways with spring trends in the world's fashion capitals of New York, Paris, Milan, and most recently, Los Angeles. The styles covered all ends of the spectrum.

From Chloe's free-flowing organic creations to John Galliano's edgy mélange of texture and print to Sonia Rykiel's structure and simplicity, all the designers presented collections imbued with diversified style. Although haute couture does not often translate well as "wearable" clothing, it inspires the directives of more commercial designers and generates the trends of the season ahead. With such diversity on the runway, expect to see styles that incorporate elements of just about every trend imaginable. Yet, as with every season, there are some spring must-haves that can easily update the items in your wardrobe.

White is the neutral of choice this season. Its versatility and clean appearance can streamline any look with little effort. Although other neutrals such as black, brown, and tan are still viable options, white creates a naturally polished and inviting silhouette. For a refreshing take on the

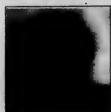
traditionally black monochromatic look, instead try piecing together white elements to achieve the same slimming and heightening effect.

Every season has an accent color, and this season teal and turquoise are among the front-runners for high style. Whether as an eye-catching dress or a simple cotton tee paired with white cropped pants (another staple), these colors make a bold statement without even trying. It takes an adventurous attitude to wear a bright color, but keep in mind that developing your personal sense of style requires taking some risks—large or small.

Another spring style must-have is the trench coat. The color and style options for this look are numerous: solid color with contrast piping, traditional plaid, subtle floral. With inevitable spring showers, a trench coat is the perfect "stay dry" option. Sleek and sophisticated, the trench looks just as stylish paired with jeans as it does over a dress.

Working our way down, the hottest way to dress your toes is to slip on a pair of wedges or espadrilles. A fabulous alternative to heels, you can rest assured that your feet will appreciate the change of pace. Boots have served their purpose over the winter months, but it's time to show off those manicured toes. Wedges and espadrilles, much like the other spring fashions, are incredibly versatile. Why make more work for yourself? They easily transition from day to evening, so invest in a quality, classic pair and you'll be set for the warm months to come.

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by Gabe  
Kornbluh  
COLUMNIST

The Academy is a farce. Most people already knew this to be a statement of some truth, but after this year's Oscars wallowed us with a one-two punch of irrelevancy, it certainly bears repeating. Not only did the Hollywood voters deny "Brokeback Mountain" its deserved Best Picture award, they snuck "Crash" in for the gold with a pivot of self-righteous posturing. I've been singing the praises of "Brokeback" and the criticisms "Crash" for months now, but this latest Oscar rant isn't about a mere film-geek scorn—it's about an art form undermined by its own shepherds.

Here's why.

Show me an Oscar-nominated movie that has ever been more openly ridiculed than "Brokeback Mountain," and I'll show you Santa Clause. In the three-month gestation period between the nominee announcements and the award show's dreadful birthing, Brokeback send-ups became the comical narcotics of choice for the national media. Whether an Internet parody or late-night zinger, everyone had fun with that "gay cowboy" movie; even Jon Stewart, the new Oscar host, used a Brokeback lampoon as the centerpiece of the ceremony's opening monologue.

Say the jabs were all in jest; call them harmless if you dare, but it seems clear to me that they were the cathartic howls of an openly homophobic nation. Stephen King

hit the nail on the head with these words from a post-Oscar editorial in Entertainment Weekly Magazine: "...American pop culture is intent on passing this passionate, well-meant, and well-made movie like a kidney stone. And how does the American pop culture pass what it cannot stand? Easy. It laughs that s--- right out of its system."

And that's exactly what happened. An affectionate fan of the movie, I still chuckled heartily when my buddy coined a once novel homophobic quip, now a fraternal staple: "Don't go all 'Brokeback' on me." It feels wretched to know that I didn't stick up for a movie whose superiority as both art and social document seemed like foregone conclusions; what feels worse is that the

Academy, a body "dedicated" to the merit and power of film, chose not to stick up for it either.

Ironically, the Academy played the controversy card more than ever this year, puffing up its desire to bring a daring topicality to the forefront of the medium. Nominations for discordant films like "Munich" and the pointedly anti-Bush "Syriana" had conservatives pitching fits at a so-called liberal-minded Hollywood, one that was dangerously out of touch with this country's mainstream values.

Amidst all the political hoopla, the nominations for mostly small, issue-driven pictures, and the pat self-congratulation (this year's ceremony featured a two minute monologue dedicated to the Oscar's

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Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

'Crash,' the ensemble drama that follows a number of tangentially related storylines, upset 'Brokeback Mountain' in the Best Picture category at this year's Academy Awards.

# V is for vendetta, not valuable



Courtesy of www.movieweb.com

'V for Vendetta' portrays a futuristic dystopia in which the United States is fraught by Civil War, Europe is a battleground for corrupt governments, and the only way to effect change is through violent subversion.

by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST

The world is turned upside down! A masked avenger wants to make things right! Natalie Portman shaves her head!

"V for Vendetta," the new action film that opened last week, fits the same mold as books like "1984" and films like "Blade Runner" in its futuristic take on the problems of the current world. This film is primarily concerned with the lack of political activism for worthy causes like combating racism and other hatreds.

Written by the Wachowski brothers, most commonly known for directing "The Matrix" trilogy, the topic of "Vendetta" no doubt has a great deal of personal relevance, as Larry Wachowski is currently undergoing a sex change. His personal stake in these ideas is clear throughout the film.

"Vendetta" takes place in England about a hundred years from now, where the United States is in the midst of civil war and neo-conservative governments have seized control across Europe. The head chancellor of England even parts his hair in the same manner as Hitler. The roles of hero and villain are not murky here.

Propaganda is posted all over the city, a closed circuit camera network records the movements of people, and a governmental preacher regurgitates the governing party's ideological platitudes

over and over.

"Vendetta" begins when Evey Hammond (Natalie Portman) breaks curfew and is accosted and nearly raped until the man known only as V comes to her rescue. His witty intellectualism sparks Evey's interest, and she follows him at great risk to herself.

V's plot is clear: to blow up Parliament, as Guy Fawkes infamously attempted on November 5,

vendetta, including atrocious acts committed against him and his friends, none of whom deserved the cruelty wrought upon them.

Evey, too, is no stranger to strife. Both of her parents were political activists who were killed by the government as it cracked down on freedom of thought. Portman's character, however, is not terribly well-developed, serving primarily as the audience's eyes into the world of V.

He may be cultured, intelligent, and have good reasons for his personal vendetta, but in the end, V is a killing machine solely set on the destruction of the authority. He gives no prudent thought to the day after November 5 when the world needs to rebuild his path of destruction. The filmmakers do not seem to have any clear ideas either.

Surprisingly, though, V's violent methods do not obscure his earnest desire to make the world a better place. V really believes—and makes Evey believe—that he can improve life by causing death. This theme is the film's greatest asset.

As with all Wachowski films, the production elements are all strong, especially the visual effects in V's fight sequences and the set of his underground lair.

In the end, however, "V for Vendetta" is full of big ideas that are not fully thought through, anger without a productive direction, and a lot of faux intellectualism somehow appropriate for this homage to the greatest Fawkes of all.

1605 (whence originated famous quote "Remember, remember, the 5th of November"). He reasons that if history is forgotten, it shall be doomed to be repeated, and most characters in "Vendetta" have forgotten history completely.

V, however, has not. The intent of his vendetta against the repressive government is clear enough, although the Wachowski brothers' view of how he ought to carry it out is not. Gandhi may have preached the virtue of nonviolence, but for V, violence is the key.

V's plan, however, becomes dependent on Evey. He realizes he must teach her how to overcome her fear by using extreme violence, tinged with optimism.

Through flashbacks we see more of V's motivation for his

MOVIE REVIEW  
**V FOR VENDETTA**  
DIRECTOR James McTeigue  
STARS Hugo Weaving,  
Natalie Portman  
RATING ★★

## End of winter causes spring styles to bloom

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The perfect match for those shoes is a woven handbag. Leather is always a classic, but in dark neutrals, it tends to be more suited to the fall and winter seasons. If leather is your preference, try a new bright color, and for more of an edge, a braided strap adds visual interest. But ultimately, lighter materials will avoid weighing down your look. The

hobo style is still hot, and given the generous size, it's a great everyday carry-all. Of course, the tote is another favorable option, and the clutch is the ultimate nighttime accessory.

Whatever your personal style, the spring season is a perfect canvas to express yourself. Anything goes, so try to step outside your typical fashion realm. Let spring fever carry you away, and peel off that winter-wear with confidence.

# Dogfish 60 Minute has taste that lasts

by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

DOG FISH HEAD 60 MINUTE IPA—(\$7.99 for a six-pack at Warming's)

This beer was recommended to me by numerous sources, many of whom touted bodies nearly as impressive as that of this Delaware-based IPA. Though I do not usually go for IPAs, I decided that the hype was enough to push me toward a purchase.

I think Dogfish Head Brewery took a rather bold approach in the name of its product, for I know few people who enjoy the fresh smell of haddock in a cold brew. Much to my surprise, however, there was nothing fishy about the 60 Minute IPA. The pour had relatively few bubbles and left little head, a telltale sign that the beer would

drink smoother than your average brew. The beer's lightly tinted amber color was a bit less colorful than I would have expected from an IPA, but it retained enough of the copper tones to remind me of the bitterness that IPAs are known for.

I was pleasantly surprised to find the body full and rich, delivering a subtle bite and a terrific finish. The aftertaste was probably the most enjoyable as it left hints of a dry fruitiness that gives the beer a very complete tasting profile.

The label is rather subdued, blending earthy tones and warm fonts in order to give the beer a more organic look. Interestingly, the fish that is displayed bears no sign of canine relation—in fact, it looks as though it is a tiger shark with too many fins and a small smirk that suggests it might have just eaten the "dogfish." We may never know.

I fully support anyone's decision to try this beer and give it two thumbs up, despite the obvious confusion the name conveys. My scores: Taste: 4.7, Label: 3.7, Benefit/Cost: 4.0.

MAGIC HAT FAT ANGEL—(\$7.29 for a six-pack at Uncle Tom's Market)

The Burlington, Vermont-based brewery finally came up with a real surprise in this pale ale, combining style with taste to create a beer with some real personality. The color of this beer is magnificent, a deep gold that almost looks like orange when held up to certain indoor lighting, and it provides a head that stays intact minutes after being poured. A casual sip shows me a combination of taste sensations that I haven't experienced in weeks—initial mild bitterness which then morphs into a smoother, sweeter body, eventually ending the indescribable way that only pale ales can.

Concerning appropriate social contexts for the Fat Angel, I judge that this beer could be consumed as a casual drink without weighing too hard on your stomach, though it may become a bit of a let-down once you get used to the unique flavorings that are true to Magic Hat's typical, sub-par brews.

The label is quite a statement, painting the words "Fat Angel" in neon scribble font over an angel wearing a mischievous expression. Indeed it is a powerful image to digest since we movie-watchers are used to thinking of angels as being anything but fat. Perhaps this angel decided to consume too many of its namesake's beverages and did too little wing flapping through the clouds.

Regardless, this beer is an interesting one that will give the taster something to think about even if you don't like angels, clouds, or fat. My scores: Taste: 3.6, Label: 4.6, Benefit/Cost: 3.8.

## WBOR 91.1 FM DJ OF THE WEEK



Brandy Maloney '06

What is the best album ever created?

BM: Jeez. Couldn't really tell you. Too many! But I will say that "Led Zeppelin III" never gets old. IT ROCKS!!!! ooooh ooh ooooh...and Creedence Clearwater Revival—"Chronicle: The 20 Greatest Hits"! mmmmm mmm mmmmm.

What's the best band to see live?

BM: Bob Dylan, et al. When he's in a good mood.

What song pumps you up?

BM: "Juicebox" by The Strokes. Definitely. You know, I have two other really random ones that have really awesome beats: Van Morrison's "Domino" and Prince's "When Doves Cry." Play them loud, you'll know what I mean. You can't keep your head from dancing.

What song brings you down?

BM: Any Elliott Smith

"Somebody That I Used to Know" brings back memories—and Jeff Buckley's version of "Hallelujah."

If you were dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?

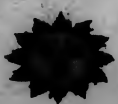
BM: If it's an island and there are lots of sailors and everyone were to adorn me with braided chains made of finest silver from the north of Spain, then "Brandy" by The Looking Glass...duh.

If you were onstage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?

BM: Shut the f— up and let me finish! [dwindling screams followed by eventual silence]. I want a puppy. Anyone got a puppy?

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## 'Bar-band' plans to issue steady stream of rock and roll

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Also, the delivery of these lyrics and the celebratory rock quality of the music makes it accessible to the entire audience, even those who haven't heard the band before.

"[Craig Finn,] the lead singer, it's like he's talking to you with a speaking delivery, and then they just go into this crazy guitar whirlwind," McCree said.

Murchison added that the band loves to play small venues, especially to interact with audience members.

"They may have even recognized Derek and Jesse from other shows," he said.

Even though they play small venues, Kraft claimed that "they still have presence on stage. It's easy to jump in if you don't know the band."

The show has created buzz not only among WBOR DJs and others on the

Bowdoin campus, but also among fans from Portland, Boston, and even Bowdoin faculty members with friends as far away as Chicago. With support coming from all sides, McCree's prediction that "wallflowers might be in the minority" may be an understatement.

Even for that minority, The Hold Steady will be getting them on its feet in Morrell Lounge, Smith Union at 10 p.m. tonight.

## 'Crash' win exposes Academy's weak stomach for controversy

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"recognition" of socially significant films), the Academy seemed poised to fulfill an obligation of its own making: use its awards to help movies make a difference.

But it didn't have the guts for the gay movie, giving the nation's discomfort, as well as their own, one big glossy stamp of approval. For a body of voters that seemed to pride themselves on a streak of rebellion, as exemplified by George Clooney's acceptance exclamation, "Proud to be out of touch," the Academy appeared startlingly in touch with mainstream fears and prejudices.

Perhaps more disheartening, the Academy snubbed "Brokeback" with a wink and a preservationist's patty. What to do when you lack the moxie to hold a marvelous yet gay-themed film on your shoulders, but still have a reputation to protect? Why, you hand the trophy to a movie that wishes it were daring, one that speaks to the redemption of the well-to-do suburban hermits that make up the majority of Academy voters: a little movie called "Crash."

An ensemble drama that purports to explore modern race relations, "Crash" is an overwrought and overbearing take on ethnic unrest fresh from a can of Campbell's condensed soup. The movie is often referred to as provocative and divisive, but only because some viewers loved it and others hated it. I'm not sure if arguments over quality can nab controversy credits, but I

do know that most of Middle-America wouldn't even consider viewing "Brokeback Mountain," simply because it featured gay characters.

And when a movie's themes disgust people before they even see it, real-life contention is a-brewin'. But if "Crash's" themes—roughly, that everyone is both a perpetrator and a victim of racism, that everyone has the ring of a bigot and the mushy center of a saint—are to be thought of as controversial, then so should any message gleaned from a "Sesame Street" sing-along.

By criticizing "Crash," I am not saying that racism is, in this day and age, any less of an issue than homophobia. But in the film itself, racism is undeniably simplified beyond recognition, neatly molded into a dramatic obstacle of mere happenstance. It's no wonder that the Academy chose it over "Brokeback Mountain": "Crash's" vision of universal empathy transcending tumultuous times sits much easier than "Brokeback's," one in which the tragedy of intolerance is static, resolute even.

Funny, the heartbeat of the film's impossible love story extends to the real world, a world that can't fess up to its own steadfast prejudice. I know no better proof of "Brokeback Mountain's" pressing social significance than its ultimate rejection by the American public and the Academy voters. Likewise, the Oscars' blind embrace of "Crash" can be considered the best evidence of its dan-

gerously abridged take on a monumental issue.

In the most telling moment of the 78th annual Oscar ceremony, "Crash" writer and director Paul Haggis had the gall to quote the legendary German thespian, Bertolt Brecht, during his acceptance speech for Best Screenplay, saying "...art...is not a mirror to hold up to society, but a hammer with which to shape it." Pointing toward his new Oscar, he continued, "I guess this is ours."

Eek. What a display of misguided self-flattery. With those words, Haggis became the poster child for an awards show that flirted with relevancy, but settled for narcissism.

Not only did the Academy make the wrong choices, it also illustrated a sad truth about how we like our movies: socially and morally stagnant. Contorting itself into all sorts of pompous victory stances, the Academy cemented its reputation as a faux-progressive body, dragging American cinema down with it. It's a group that wields a hammer not in the name of social change, but because it's a swell prop for that all-important pose in front of the collective Hollywood mirror.

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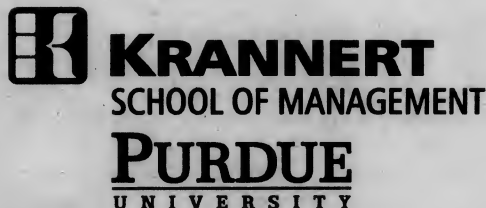
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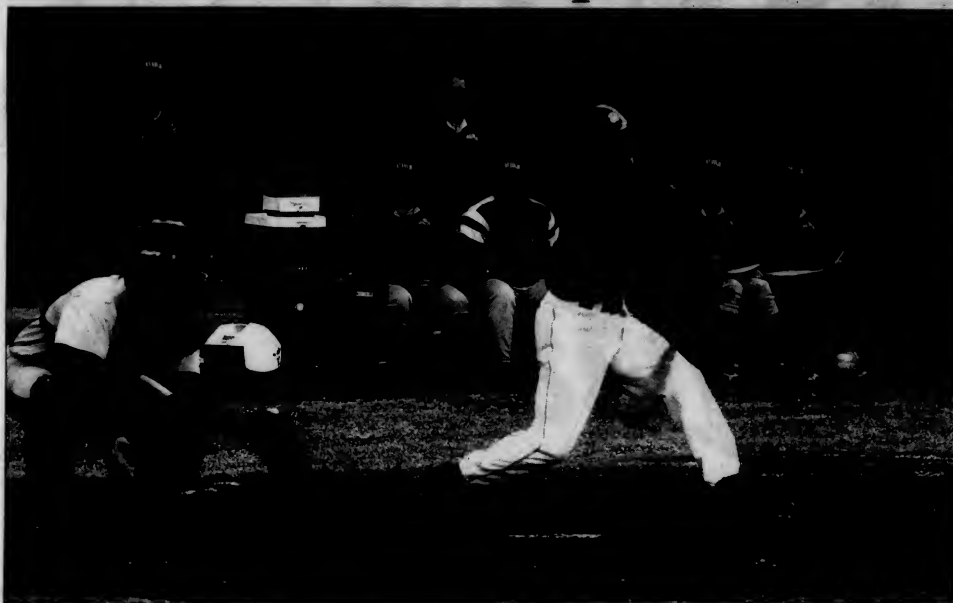
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# Baseball cleans up at Port Charlotte

by Tom Lakin  
CONTRIBUTOR



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Ben Yornak takes a swing at a pitch in Wednesday's home opener against UMaine-Farmington. The Bears crushed UMaine-Farmington 14-0.

Spring Break was good to the Bowdoin Baseball Team. It spent the vacation in Port Charlotte, Florida, focused on winning baseball games—and that is exactly what the Polar Bears did.

Bowdoin went 8-2 over the break, making it one of the most successful Florida trips in team history. The team's play was characterized by stellar offensive numbers and several strong pitching performances.

"The team played outstanding on our trip," coach Mike Connolly said. "Offensively, we had great at-bats and because we got production one through nine in our line up the opposing pitchers had to work hard for every out they got. The pitchers were aggressive and controlled the strike zone."

Bowdoin started off its season a little rusty, dropping a 9-4 decision to Western New England College on March 13. The Bears reversed their luck a day later as they bounced back in a big way with a strong 14-1 win over a highly-touted Suffolk squad. The win, punctuated by a six-inning, one-run performance by pitcher Pat Driscoll '08 and a four

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## Women's basketball ends season in Elite Eight

*Women's basketball makes it to the fourth round of the NCAA DIII tournament*

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

Despite a magical run to the Division III Elite Eight, the Women's

Basketball Team fell to the University of Southern Maine (USM) in the sectional final three weeks ago. The Polar Bears, who lost in a 56-53 heartbreaker, finished the season with an impressive 27-3 record and their sixth-consecutive NESCAC Championship.

Southern Maine jumped out to an early lead, draining two three pointers to open the contest. But the Polar Bears fired back, scoring 10 consecutive points, including a three pointer by junior Katie Cummings. Less than 10 minutes into the first half, the Polar Bears held a commanding seven-point lead.

But USM, led by star-player Ashley Marble, narrowed the gap. As time ticked away in the first half, Bowdoin and Southern Maine traded baskets. At the half Bowdoin led by 36-33.

The teams opened the second half

as they closed the first, fiercely contesting every shot and each rebound. The low-scoring affair was a tribute to the valiant defensive effort demonstrated by both squads. With 13 minutes left to play, the game was knotted at 41.

As time slipped away, the two teams continued to go back and forth. But with less than five minutes left in the game, Marble stepped in for USM and hit two free throws to give

Southern Maine the lead.

Bowdoin did not go quietly, getting key baskets from Julia Loonin '07, Justine Pauravelis '06, and Eileen Flaherty '07 to reestablish the lead for the Polar Bears, 53-52.

But Marble continued to dominate in the paint, scoring a putback to give USM the lead with less than two minutes to go. After Bowdoin did not

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## Tennis struggles after Spring Break trip

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

Upon returning from a 10-day Spring Break trip to Hawaii devoted to tennis and leisure, the Bowdoin Men and Women's Tennis Teams encountered mixed results. Last Tuesday, the men's squad dropped a close decision to Wheaton, 4-3, while, the women rolled over an inexperienced Smith team, 9-0.

At Wheaton, Bowdoin jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead with straight-set wins from Sam Bitetti '07, Alex White '09, and Drew McDonald '07. Wheaton, however, stormed back to take the remaining singles matches at the one, four, and five positions.

Weather conditions forced the doubles play onto indoor courts. Although Wheaton won at third doubles, the second doubles tandem of White and first-year Alex Caughron defeated their opponents handily to even the doubles at one a piece.

For the deciding point, Bitetti and sophomore Garrett Gates went to a

tiebreaker with Wheaton's first doubles team. Up in the tiebreak, the duo lost in heartbreaking fashion, 5-7.

Despite the loss, the young team is confident that it will be in top form this weekend. The Polar Bears play Amherst at home on Saturday afternoon. On Sunday the Bears travel to Trinity where they will battle the Bantams.

Coach Jane Paterson is confident that the Bears will be ready for this weekend's matches.

"All the matches we'll be playing from here on out will be similar, so knowing what to expect should allow all of us to 'bring it' to the next match," she said.

On the women's side, the Polar Bears coasted to an easy victory at Smith last weekend. Bowdoin swept the doubles matches. All singles matches were decided in straight sets, except for first-year Sara D'Elia at number one singles. D'Elia, who dropped the first set, came back to take the second, 6-1, and won the superbreaker, 10-6.

The women's squad faces MIT and Trinity on the road this weekend.

## Sun shines on women's lacrosse



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Women's lacrosse will attempt to preserve its undefeated record in Saturday's home opener against Amherst.



# Baseball defeats UMaine-Farmington in home opener

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for five, three-RBI day at the plate for Jon Koperniak '07, was more characteristic of Bowdoin's two-week stretch.

Koperniak, who batted an incredible .556 during the trip, deferred credit to his teammates.

"Getting hits is contagious. I was fortunate enough to have my teammates getting hits and having great at bats," he said.

Bowdoin continued its success, showing a lot of heart in a gritty 3-2, 11-inning win over Fitchburg State on March 15—a victory that junior co-captain Chris McCann named the "most gratifying" of the road trip. Closer Tyler Turgeon '07 contributed a sensational four-inning scoreless performance, which ultimately sealed the win for the Bears.

Bowdoin then ripped off three straight victories, winning 9-2 against Nichols, 15-4 over Westfield State, and going 12-4 over Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts.

But on March 20, the Bears winning streak came to an end. In a lapse that could be attributed to fatigue, Bowdoin dropped the morning half of a doubleheader 18-5 to Western Connecticut. Stung by this loss, Bowdoin roared back in the afternoon with a ruthless 34-5 drubbing to avenge the morning's loss.

Bowdoin finished its trip on March 21 and 22 with 18-5 and 11-0 wins over Ramapo and Centenary, respectively. In the Ramapo game, first-year standout Joe Berte contributed a towering home run. The

Centenary win was marked by an outstanding seven-inning, one-hit scoreless outing by Will Waldrop '06.

"The thing that impressed me the

most about the team over our break," senior co-captain Trevor Powers said, "was how we maintained our focus during each game."



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Bowdoin baseball boasts a 9-2 record going into this weekend's games at Trinity.

This was nowhere more apparent than at the plate, where six Bowdoin players—Koperniak, McCann, Jared Lemieux '06, Chris Buccini '06, Pat Duchette '08, and Jon Rosenthal '06—batted over .400 during the stretch.

"Offensively, guys were seeing the ball well and we were able to hit the ball hard," McCann said.

Looking down the road toward the remainder of the season, Connolly cited the team's need to improve defensively.

"We need to be a little bit more consistent defensively as we begin our conference schedule," Connolly said.

McCann echoed this feeling.

"Defensively, we struggled at times," he said. "There are many excuses we can put forth, but the fact of the matter is we need to get better in this aspect of the game. We need to work harder as a team to execute on every play, whether in practice or in the ninth inning of a 2-2 game."

Bowdoin had its first home game against UMaine-Farmington on Wednesday. The Bears won the home opener 14-0 at Pickard Field.

The Bears will face the perennially tough Trinity Bantams in Hartford over the weekend. Trinity has a solid pitching staff, but the Bears look to counter strength with strength and continue their offensive onslaught.

"This team has unlimited potential," senior co-captain Rick Leclerc said. "As long as we play like we can we should be able to win a lot of games."

# Women's hoops ends season 27-3

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score on the next possession, USM had a chance to put the game nearly out of reach. A shot-clock violation gave the Bears the ball and a chance to regain the lead. However, a botched pass by the Polar Bears and two key free throws by USM suddenly put game out of reach. Their last ditch effort for a three pointer proved futile, allowing Southern Maine to eke out a 56-53 victory.

Despite the tough loss, the team is proud of what they accomplished this season.

"I don't think the loss against USM should prevent us from looking at how much we accomplished this season. We had a great run," Julia Loonin '07 said.

First-year Maria Noucas agreed.

"We won a lot of really close games and we came together as a team this season," she said.

Although the team will lose four seniors this year, those who will be around for next season are looking forward to competing again.

"Even though we haven't talked much about next season, we've got a lot of talent on the team and some solid freshmen coming in next year," Loonin said.

-Vanessa Kitchen contributed to this report.

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# Jon Landry '06 hops on board with Portland Pirates

by Emily Baird  
CONTRIBUTOR

Jon Landry has skated into a league of his own. This senior hockey player may have retired as a Polar

Bear, but he is just beginning his career. Just over a week ago, Landry donned a Pirates' jersey and played in two games as a member of Portland's American Hockey League (AHL) team. He impressed the coaching

staff in amateur tryouts and then played with the Pirates. The team defeated both the Bridgeport Sound Tigers 5-2 and the Providence Bruins 6-3. The Portland Pirates are the minor league affiliate of the Anaheim

Mighty Ducks and are currently ranked first in the Atlantic AHL standings.

Before his AHL debut, Landry made his mark on Bowdoin hockey, quickly establishing himself as one of the team's stars. Even as a defender, he managed to net 16 goals and 22 assists this season. With 121 career points, Landry is 16th on Bowdoin's all-time scoring list and was named this year not only as a First Team All-NESCAC selection, but also as a First Team All-American.

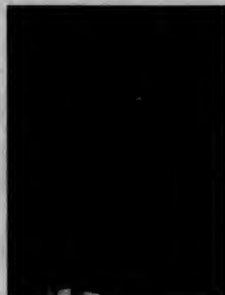
For head coach Terry Meagher, Landry is a great addition to any team.

"[He is] a gentleman with a passion for the sport and a respect for his team. Landry is always upbeat, and sharing his joy for the game—he is [an] ideal student athlete," Meagher said.

Teammate Duncan Smith '08 shared Meagher's sentiments and is excited for Landry.

"That someone from a DIII team played at the level—one step away from the big league. It is not only huge, but just goes to show you how good he is," he said.

Despite the thrill of playing in his first game for Pirates, Bowdoin hockey remains very important to Landry.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient  
Senior Jon Landry will be joining the Portland Pirates after graduation.

"Playing for the Pirates in front of 7,000 fans was an incredible experience and one that I will never forget, but this year's sweep against Colby and victory over the Mules in front of the Bowdoin home crowd was one of a kind," he said.

With plans to play professionally in North America and Europe, Landry is looking forward to "traveling the world, doing what I love."



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# Vinatieri is no loss to Patriots

by Joel Samen  
STAFF WRITER

In Belichick we trust. This has been the mantra of the New England Patriots through their amazing run over the past five years, during which head coach Bill Belichick

has led the team to four playoff berths and three Super Bowls. However, this offseason has been a tumultuous one for the Patriots. Among the players lost through free agency, three departures stand out: the 12-year Patriot linebacker Willie McGinest to the Cleveland Browns, wide receiver David Givens to the Tennessee Titans, and kicker Adam Vinatieri to the Indianapolis Colts.

The move that has been most criticized by New England fans is the loss of Vinatieri. The kicker was a prominent figure in many classic games, most notably the Snow Bowl against the Oakland Raiders in 2002 playoffs, Super Bowl XXXVI, and Super Bowl XXXVIII. Each of these games was ended with a clutch kick from Vinatieri.

While his deeds should never be forgotten, and he will remain a legend in Boston sports lore for years to come, it must be remembered that he is a kicker. Although full details of his new contract have not been disclosed, he will earn a \$3.5 million signing bonus and an average salary of \$2.5 million over the next five years, according to ESPN.com. That sort of contract is enormous for a kicker, just the kind of deal that would defy the Patriots' philosophy that no one player is irreplaceable.

The hole Vinatieri has left on the roster is not as huge as many fans would argue. He did a great job as a consistent kicker over the past six

seasons, hitting 81.9 percent of his field goals. But last year he only scored 80 percent of his field goals, good for a 17th-place tie for kickers in the NFL. Given his production last season and the importance (or lack thereof) placed on the position of kicker on most teams, \$2.5 million per season simply seems too much to pay Vinatieri.

So how will the Patriots replace him? They have several options for cheap but efficient and capable kickers. One option would be to scout the European League, a pool with talented kickers and also the source from which the team signed Vinatieri. They could also sign a kicker from the college ranks through the draft. Stephen Gostkowski from Memphis, Jonathan Scifres from Southwest Missouri State, and Josh Huston from Ohio State are all solid kickers entering the draft, according to the Boston Globe. The Patriots will be looking to get the most out of their money, gaining a gifted and athletic kicker at a cheap rate.

Whatever the outcome, rest assured that the Patriots will have a kicker going into camp this summer. As Boston fans have seen with the recent departures of other city legends like Nomar Garciaparra, Pedro Martinez, Ty Law, and Lawyer Milloy, sports do go on. Heroes come and go, but the game marches forward. Belichick and Scott Pioli, the vice president of player personnel, have created magnificent teams over the past five seasons. They have always put the organization in the best position to win with versatile, smart, and athletic players who can get the job done. There is no doubt that they have a plan for how to handle the loss of their kicker, along with their other off-season subtractions. Continue to trust in Belichick; he has not let us down yet.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

SCOREBOARD			
F 3/3	v. Colby-Sawyer (NCAA First Round)	W 73-54	
Sa 3/4	v. Brandeis (Second Round)	W 59-56	
F 3/10	v. Mary Washington (at USM, Sectional Semifinals)	W 62-54	
Sa 3/11	at USM (NCAA Sectional Final)	L 56-53	

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SCOREBOARD			
School	NESCAC	Overall	
	W L	W L	
Middlebury	2 0	4 1	
BOWDOIN	1 0	6 0	
Wesleyan	1 0	6 1	
Trinity	1 0	4 2	
Colby	1 1	3 1	
Tufts	0 0	4 0	
Amherst	0 0	3 0	
Bates	0 1	4 1	
Williams	0 2	3 2	
Conn. College	0 2	2 4	

SCOREBOARD			
Sa 3/11	at Williams	W 16-10	
Th 3/16	v. William Smith (at West Palm Beach, FL)	W 16-7	
F 3/17	v. Springfield (at FL)	W 17-2	
Su 3/19	v. Buffalo State (at FL)	W 17-3	
Tu 3/21	v. Eastern Conn. (at FL)	W 18-3	
W 3/29	at Wheaton	W 11-4	

SCHEDULE			
Sa 4/1	at Amherst	1:00 P.M.	
Tu 4/4	v. Tufts	5:30 P.M.	

## WOMEN'S TENNIS

SCOREBOARD			
School	NESCAC	Overall	
	W L	W L	
Colby	1 0	4 5	
Amherst	0 0	4 1	
Conn. College	0 0	6 2	
Tufts	0 0	5 3	
Wesleyan	0 0	5 3	
Williams	0 0	5 3	
Middlebury	0 0	6 4	
Hamilton	0 0	8 6	
BOWDOIN	0 0	3 6	
Trinity	0 0	3 6	
Bates	0 1	4 4	

SCOREBOARD			
W 3/16	v. U. Hawaii-Hilo (at BYU-Hawaii)	L 9-0	
F 3/17	v. Oklahoma (at BYU-Hawaii)	L 6-0	
Su 3/19	v. Hawaii Pacific University (at BYU-Hawaii)	L 8-1	
Sa 3/25	at Smith	W 9-0	

SCHEDULE			
Sa 4/1	at MIT	3:00 P.M.	
Su 4/2	at Trinity	10:00 A.M.	
Tu 4/6	v. Brandeis	4:00 P.M.	

## MEN'S ICE HOCKEY

SCOREBOARD			
F 3/3	v. Trinity (NESCAC Semifinals, at Midd.)	W 3-1	
Sa 3/4	at Middlebury (NESCAC Finals)	L 3-1	

## MEN'S LACROSSE

SCOREBOARD			
School	NESCAC	Overall	
	W L	W L	
Bates	3 0	7 0	
Middlebury	2 0	3 2	
Tufts	1 0	5 1	
BOWDOIN	1 0	4 2	
Williams	1 1	3 1	
Conn. College	1 1	2 3	
Trinity	1 2	3 2	
Wesleyan	0 1	5 1	
Colby	0 2	2 3	
Amherst	0 3	1 3	

SCOREBOARD			
Sa 3/11	v. Williams	W 12-8	
Th 3/16	v. Nazareth (at Sylvan Park, FL)	L 15-11	
M 3/20	v. St. Lawrence (at Sylvan Park, FL)	W 8-7	
W 3/22	v. Union (at Newport Richy, FL)	W 14-5	
Sa 3/25	v. Springfield	W 11-10	
M 3/27	at Endicott	L 6-5	

SCHEDULE			
Sa 4/1	at Conn. College	2:00 P.M.	
W 4/5	at Tufts	7:00 P.M.	

## MEN'S TENNIS

SCOREBOARD			
School	NESCAC	Overall	
	W L	W L	
Middlebury	2 0	10 1	
Bates	1 1	3 3	
Wesleyan	0 0	5 0	
Trinity	0 0	4 0	
Williams	0 0	4 1	
Amherst	0 0	5 2	
Tufts	0 0	2 2	
Conn. College	0 0	1 2	
BOWDOIN	0 0	1 6	
Colby	0 1	3 3	
Hamilton	0 1	1 6	

SCOREBOARD			
F 3/10	v. Skidmore	W 7-0	
Sa 3/11	v. MIT	L 5-2	
W 3/15	v. U. Hawaii-Hilo (at BYU-Hawaii)	L 4-1	
F 3/17	v. Oklahoma (at BYU-Hawaii)	L 7-0	
Su 3/19	v. Hawaii Pacific University (at BYU-Hawaii)	L 7-0	
M 3/20	at BYU-Hawaii	L 4-0	
Tu 3/28	at Wheaton	L 4-3	

SCHEDULE			
Sa 4/1	v. Amherst	1:00 P.M.	
Su 4/2	at Trinity	2:00 P.M.	
Tu 4/4	v. Brandeis	4:00 P.M.	

- Compiled by Adam Kimmel. Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC, College Tennis Online

## WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY

SCOREBOARD			
Sa 3/4	v. Williams (NESCAC Semifinals, at Middlebury)	W 2-1	
Su 3/5	at Middlebury (NESCAC Final Round)	L 8-2	

## BASEBALL

SCOREBOARD			
School	NESCAC EAST	Overall	
	W L	W L	
BOWDOIN	0 0	9 2	
Tufts	0 0	8 4	
Trinity	0 0	8 5	
Bates	0 0	4 3	
Colby	0 0	4 4	

SCOREBOARD			
M 3/13	v. WNEC (at Port Charlotte, FL)	L 9-4	
Tu 3/14	v. Suffolk (at FL)	W 14-1	
W 3/15	v. Fitchburg St. (at FL)	W 3-2	
Th 3/16	v. Nichols (at FL)	W 9-2	
F 3/17	v. Westfield St. (at FL)	W 15-4	
Sa 3/18	v. MCLA (at FL)	W 12-4	
M 3/20	v. Western Conn. (at FL)	L 18-5	
M 3/20	v. Western Conn. (at FL)	W 34-5	
W 3/21	v. Ramapo (at FL)	W 18-5	
W 3/22	v. Canisius (at FL)	W 11-0	
W 3/29	v. Maine-Farmington	W 14-0	

SCHEDULE			
F 3/31	at Trinity	3:00 P.M.	
Sa 4/1	at Trinity	12:00 P.M.	
Sa 4/1	at Trinity	3:00 P.M.	
Tu 4/4	v. Southern Maine	3:30 P.M.	

## SOFTBALL

SCOREBOARD			
School	NESCAC EAST	Overall	
	W L	W L	
Trinity	0 0	10 2	
Bates	0 0	6 8	
Tufts	0 0	4 4	
BOWDOIN	0 0	5 11	
Colby	0 0	1 7	

SCOREBOARD			
Th 3/16	v. Ursinus (at Cape Coral, FL)	W 4-1	
Th 3/16	v. Montclair St. (at CC)	L 10-1	
F 3/17	v. Transylvania (at Lee County, FL)	L 5-4	
F 3/17	v. Keene St. (at LC)	L 7-1	
Sa 3/18	v. RPI (at CC)	L 11-0	
Sa 3/18	v. Kalamazoo (at CC)	L 5-2	
Su 3/19	v. Franklin Pierce (at LC)	L 7-1	
Su 3/19	v. North Central (at LC)	L 6-1	
Tu 3/21	v. Plymouth St. (at LC)	W 1-0	
Tu 3/21	v. Wesleyan (at LC)	L 2-0	
W 3/22	v. So. Conn. (at CC)	W 6-5	
W 3/22	v. N.E.C. (at CC)	L 4-1	
Th 3/23	v. St. Lawrence (at Northwest, FL)	W 8-0	
Th 3/23	v. Woodstock (at NW)	W 13-12	
F 3/24	v. Union (at CC)	L 14-6	
F 3/24	v. Wis.-Superior (at CC)	L 12-3	

SCHEDULE			
Su 4/2	v. Plymouth St. (2)	1:00 P.M.	
Th 4/6	v. Maine-Farmington (2)	3:30 P.M.	

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## Have faith in understanding

### These Revelations Will Not Be Televised



by Steve  
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"Dixieland."

What sorts of things leap to mind when you hear this term? Warm weather? Moonshine? Ted Turner? Those good ol' boys from Hazzard County? Home? The inexplicably popular Trace Adkins single "Honky Tonk Badonkadonk?"

I'm willing to bet that for the majority of Bowdoin students, mention of the South evokes a hodgepodge of interrelated ideas: Red states, religious yahoos, "values" voters, country bumpkins carousing around in pickup flatbeds with their shotguns and small hounds, stopping periodically to participate in a hootenanny and/or elect Bush.

These are the sorts of preconceptions that I packed along with my toothbrush, clothes, and various overdue readings as I prepared to embark on a week-long sojourn to the heart of Dixie with 11 of my classmates.

I had very little first-hand experience with Southern people and Southern culture going into the trip, which, in retrospect, might seem surprising given how expert I presumed to be while criticizing both during the 2004 election. The only times I had spent as long as a week in the South were visiting my grandparents in Hilton Head, South Carolina, and vacationing with my family at Disney World. The former is a retirement community with a ratio of approximately 1.7 golf courses per resident, and the latter is a magical kingdom purportedly ruled by a giant cartoon mouse. Needless to say, neither is an accurate sample of Southern myths.

The destination of this spring's trip, however, was Pontotoc, Mississippi, a rural town characterized by its sprawling flatlands and ubiquitous Baptist churches and auto body shops. We were to spend our days building a house for Habitat for Humanity (HFH) and our nights at By Faith Baptist church. Members of By Faith and other local congregations were to provide us with food and company.

It became apparent almost immediately that we were in a different world. In her introductory remarks, Barbara Carter, our host, spoke extensively about God's role in guiding her work as the Pontotoc County HFH coordinator. Wayne Carter, Barbara's husband, attempted to make small talk before dinner by asking what church we belonged to back home.

Wayne also mentioned that By Faith formed as a result of a schism within a different congregation over whether or not blacks should be allowed to play in church softball games. Yikes.

A member of our group told Barbara that he was majoring in Gender and Women's Studies, rendering her utterly nonplussed. We decided later that she probably thought he was trying to be clever

by implying that he makes a lecherous habit of "studying" members of the opposite sex.

Before we sat down for our first meal, Barbara asked that we hold hands, bow our heads and join her in a blessing. Amenable but self-conscious, we followed these guidelines, trying to accommodate our hosts' custom (which to us was either rusty or altogether foreign). The next day, our hosts asked for a volunteer from our group to lead the morning prayer. This caused a reaction roughly akin to Barbara's faltering attempt to process

women's studies as a field of collegiate study.

We soon realized that prayer preceded and/or followed most daily activities.

Adjusting to the religiosity of our hosts was probably the most challenging aspect of the trip that didn't involve clinging to the edge of an unfinished roof. Tucked away in America's upper right-hand cupboard, our minds marinating in progressive social attitudes and secular humanist theories, most of

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## Immigration bill will keep borders safe

### You Got Conserved



by Will Hales  
COLUMNIST

The growing row over immigration reforms debated these past few weeks in the Senate and media represents an abundance of misunderstanding on the part of most Americans about the intent of the changes being proposed. Millions of Americans, mostly of Latino ethnicity, have taken to the streets in the past days to protest what they perceive is a gross breach of their civil and human rights.

The bill in question will ease restrictions on citizenship for millions of illegal aliens, and critics of the bill have argued that the approach is simply a cop-out to enforcing current immigration laws. Senate Republicans have rightfully opposed the view that granting citizenship to the eight to 11 million illegal aliens currently in the United States would prove easier than actually enforcing the current law and arresting and deporting those who enter the country illegally.

While the racial tensions of the debate have taken the headlines of most media outlets, there are issues at hand that are a great deal more important than the question of guest-worker status and citizenship eligibility.

Since September 11, the main goal of the Department of Homeland Security has been to defend our borders from those who would attack our country. The most high profile of these efforts have been in the nation's airports and seaports. Indeed, last month's largest news story was the failed bid by a Dubai firm to operate several American ports.

The greatest security vulnerability we face is the one that we cannot confront without automatically ruffling the feathers of civil rights activists across the country. In the five years since the September 11 attacks, we have functionally failed in our efforts to make American borders more secure, and this failure is in no small part due to the porous boundaries we share with Mexico and Canada.

Those protesting suggest that any modification to the law which makes it more difficult to enter the United States is inherently racist. I would argue, however, that we need to focus first on gaining the ability to enforce current laws. The millions of illegal

aliens currently in the United States are labeled as such for one reason: they are breaking a law. And the ability of millions to enter this country without documentation and clearance from customs worries me immensely.

I am not a xenophobe. I believe that those from foreign countries should have the opportunity to gain citizenship to the United States if they follow the rules in doing so. I am not writing this to harp on a Mexican family that wishes to join relatives earning an honest living in Texas. I am writing this because the ease with which so many undocumented workers cross into the United States unnoticed provides ample opportunity to any terrorist organization that wishes to do the same.

I am not particularly scared about the arrest last week of Shahzad Qureshi, the Pakistani chauffeur scheduled to pick up Bill Clinton in Newark, who was instead picked up by police for skipping out on a residency-status hearing. Actually, the timing of that one was pretty funny. I am troubled by the November arrest of an Iraqi national on the al-Qaeda most wanted list, because this man was captured in west Texas after crossing into the United States from Mexico.

The intelligence community seems increasingly confident that al-Qaeda is reaching out to Latin American gangs such as MS-13 to establish routes into the United States, and that when a terrorist organization does get its hands on a weapon of mass destruction (and this will happen), that weapon will enter our soil neither by air nor by sea. We've done little to make our borders more secure, and in order to better protect ourselves from another terrorist attack on our land, we must, at the very least, enforce the laws we already have.

There is a great deal of emotion running through our country right now when it comes to both immigration law and national security. It is understandable that when these two areas overlap the response from some will be great, as we've seen in Los Angeles and Dallas.

In the end, however, it is wholly necessary for the system we use to control our borders to be effective in admitting those who seek entrance legally and returning those who don't, because the laws are there, and so is the threat. The security of our nation cannot rest on laws that are ignored because it is more convenient to be complacent than it is to enforce them.

# Pop culture has replaced activism

by Frank Chi  
CONTRIBUTOR

In activist America (or whatever is left of it), there is a silent bewilderment to our apathy. While a generation before us traded their silence for tear gas and batons, our generation participates through Guess Jeans, iPods, popped collars, and colored wristbands. To so many in our generation, civil disobedience is a historical reference retired to the prose of Thoreau and the photographs of King and Gandhi. Our assumption of its extinction indicates a culture not incapable of acting, but one that sees no interest or profit in doing so.

In the 1960s, those who protested the Vietnam War and marched for civil rights found a method of expression congruent with an earlier call of that era. Political activism was a reaction to expectations of conformity, and President Kennedy's "asking" of our service

instilled a temporary obligation that required that generation to act. The moral imperatives of the 1960s did not pander to complacency; they demanded direct participation. They demanded of willing youths that their desire for expression be directed toward social change. From that change, the nation began to antagonize the Vietnam War, awaken to the cruelty of racism and bigotry, urge the protection of endangered species, and heighten socio-political awareness.

Today's politicians and leaders, both liberal and conservative, no longer ask us to confront the most dire causes. They now ask us what we want. They no longer govern by an imperative of progress, but by an imperative of public

approval. Though many may argue that this is an enhancement of democracy, it denies the audacity and innovation mandatory for solving the myriad of problems we still face. By idolizing a complacent majority's comfort, short-sighted, timid politics prosper and the drive for social change dies.

We no longer see boldness in office that inspires us to be conscious citizens rather than cold consumers. In years past, Harry Truman desegregated the military and was confronted with immense public distaste. The Supreme Court's landmark Brown decision was decades beyond the racial hostility of public opinion in 1954. Our previous leaders reached beyond the confines of approval and asked us to lead with a vision

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that required the will for change that first and foremost expected us to act. But during our rare stint at unity in September of 2001, President Bush informed us that our national duty was to shop.

Today, a few brave souls convene in Lancaster Lounge every Monday to protest a war that most of us actually oppose. Whereas a previous generation debated how to sway government, we now debate how to sway our generation to be bothered. Whereas those who protested Lyndon Johnson refused to be silenced, we now wait in our seats for Jon Stewart to poke fun at George W. Bush: Whereas college campuses were once known as centers of activism, they now typify the deadbeat of apathy. Where have all the activists gone? Best bet: They're all either shopping or

getting "Nexed" on MTV.

For most of us, problems can easily be tuned out by turning up Kelly Clarkson on our iPod Nano. As far as we're concerned, individuality and expression require a trip to Urban Outfitters for a pair of \$60 ripped jeans that make us feel unique. But today, many African Americans are still entrapped in the intertwining of racism and poverty. Gay Americans are still casually derided and denied natural rights. A war upon false pretenses is still being incompetently waged in Iraq at the cost of lives and taxpayer dollars. Environmental ruin lurks in a global theatre where overpopulated giants India and China have yet to industrialize. Even President Bush has called on us to end an "addiction to oil."

Next week, the kNOW Poverty campaign will ask us to learn about the poverty that exists both afar and in our midst, with hopes of inspiring us to action. But the real question we should be asking is: Do we actually care? Is our generation so indicative of the consumer consciousness that requires every personal action to produce a personal profit? How many of us wore a yellow wristband before we actually knew it supported cancer research?

When Paris Hilton posed for Diddy's "Vote or Die!" campaign in 2004, a reporter asked her whether she was registered to vote. She had no idea she had to, but she thought the shirt looked hot, and that she looked hot in one. Well, I guess Bill Maher was right. We are the "Paris Hilton generation."

*Frank Chi is the president of the Bowdoin College Democrats.*

# Understanding culture difference important to understanding faith

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us had grown condescending (or at least skeptical) toward doctrinal religion.

The name of our host church, By Faith, came from the New Testament axiom, "We walk by faith, and not by sight" (2 Cor. 5:7)—a doctrine that is absolutely antithetical to our academic tendency to buttress belief with empirical truths, not religious superstitions.

We worked with several other volunteers at the HFH site, all of them at least three times our ages. The man in charge was a 70-odd-year-old Catholic brother named Joe, who had taken a vow of poverty and had been building houses for HFH since before we were born.

Brother Joe was a mild and focused man, but, most notably, he was fearless. While the rest of us clung for dear life to the roof trusses, he could be found dangling precariously over the edge of the roof, casually nailing in perimeter beams, a sort of courage born either from experience, faith, or lunacy—perhaps all three.

Our other mentor was Bill, a retired Air Force pilot, who was back building after having six cancerous tumors removed from his bladder. Bill had about four zingers in his repertoire, which he issued in a steady cycle throughout the day to keep us on our toes.

"You got a mind like an old steel trap," he would jibe as I failed repeatedly to operate a circular saw. "Rusted shut!"

Brothers Joe and Bill were both pious men who lived their lives simply, though they were by no means simple. Bill was a history buff who would regale us with facts and

stories about the European monarchies and the Civil War in between swigs of his hammer. One day, during a lunch break, I sat in on a conversation between Brother Joe and Bill about U.S. foreign policy, in which they discussed current attempts to nation-build and mediate foreign conflicts in an historical context.

I was so intimidated by their insightfulness that I didn't open my mouth once. Anyone who knows me will testify that this usually takes a gag and several liters of tranquilizer.

I had approached this cultural immersion with a certain mental portrait of the rural South: pastoral, yes; charming, certainly; but so too a bastion of ignorance. It didn't take long for me to realize that I was the ignorant one.

Academia's ethereal castles provide a good tactical firing position from which to snipe at rural Southern culture. It is easy to read its simplicity as narrowness and its piousness as ignorance. But this sort of scrutiny can be, to an extent, hypocritical. As cynical as many of us presume to be about doctrinal faith, we too are devout to a religious order: the Church of Academic Liberalism.

Ours is not all that different

from any other church. Books of literature, science, and theory are our scripture. Our professors, charged with helping us understand and interpret these sacred texts, are our ministers. Our classrooms are our church halls. If the clergy/faculty does its job right, we leave church/class each day invigorated, feeling as though the world makes a little more sense.

Our faith in reason is no less fervent or absolute than a Baptist's faith in God. Our arguments over what line of reason is most consistent with the truth resemble arguments among the faithful over what conception of God and what mode of observance is the correct one.

Please do not misconstrue this as an indictment of academic liberalism, or for that matter, an endorsement of doctrinal religion. For my part, I am often disappointed by how irresponsibly some religious zealots wield their piety, and I am disgusted by the way certain institutional ideologues exploit people's love of God to propagate hatred and fear.

But zealotry in academic liberalism can be just as insidious. It is easy to react cynically toward the religiosity of folks like Barbara, Wayne, and Brothers Joe and Bill. You could claim that they just use it to legitimize their conservative social "values." You could write it

off as stubbornness; unwillingness to embrace modern scientific enlightenment because they don't have the time or patience to revise their worldviews. You could treat it as mere idiocy.

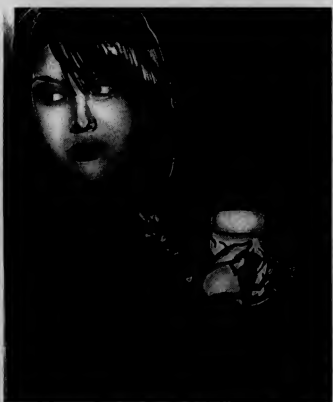
None of these analyses, however, account for the possibility of pure faith, unadulterated by political agendas and cognitive incapacities.

At lunch one day at a Methodist church, we saw a woman nearly break down while speaking about the power of Jesus's love—how it was more powerful than genocide, terrorism, or any other earthly evils.

This wasn't Jerry Falwell sounding off on the virulent influence of homosexual culture or Pat Robertson accusing the feminist movement of being a front for "witchcraft;" this was positively moving stuff—heartfelt, loving, and pure.

Though she preached a worldview that was, perhaps, a tad simplistic to set my mind—and maybe yours—at peace, her concepts seemed to make a lot more sense in the context of a rural Mississippi town than they might in a bustling Northern metropolis.

The Dalai Lama once said, "Where ignorance is our master, there is no possibility of real peace." Any system of belief, be it theistic or agnostic, is vulnerable to sanctimony. Any cultural community, be it in southern Maine or northern Mississippi, is vulnerable to insularity. When these toxins prevail, political acrimony takes hold, respect is abandoned, and everyone's minds become, as Bill said, like old steel traps: rusted shut.



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## Have faith in understanding

### These Revelations Will Not Be Televised



by Steve  
Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

"Dixieland."

What sorts of things leap to mind when you hear this term? Warm weather? Moonshine? Ted Turner? Those good ol' boys from Hazzard County? Home? The inexplicably popular Trace Adkins single "Honky Tonk Badonkadonk?"

I'm willing to bet that for the majority of Bowdoin students, mention of the South evokes a hodgepodge of interrelated ideas: Red states, religious yahoos, "values" voters, country bumpkins carousing around in pickup flatbeds with their shotguns and smell hounds, stopping periodically to participate in a hootenanny and/or elect Bush.

These are the sorts of preconceptions that I packed along with my toothbrush, clothes, and various overdue readings as I prepared to embark on a week-long sojourn to the heart of Dixie with 11 of my classmates.

I had very little first-hand experience with Southern people and Southern culture going into the trip, which, in retrospect, might seem surprising given how expert I presumed to be while criticizing both during the 2004 election. The only times I had spent as long as a week in the South were visiting my grandparents in Hilton Head, South Carolina, and vacationing with my family at Disney World. The former is a retirement community with a ratio of approximately 1.7 golf courses per resident, and the latter is a magical kingdom purportedly ruled by a giant cartoon mouse. Needless to say, neither is an accurate sample of Southern myths.

The destination of this spring's trip, however, was Pontotoc, Mississippi, a rural town characterized by its sprawling flatlands and ubiquitous Baptist churches and auto body shops. We were to spend our days building a house for Habitat for Humanity (HFH) and our nights at By Faith Baptist church. Members of By Faith and other local congregations were to provide us with food and company.

It became apparent almost immediately that we were in a different world. In her introductory remarks, Barbara Carter, our host, spoke extensively about God's role in guiding her work as the Pontotoc County HFH coordinator. Wayne Carter, Barbara's husband, attempted to make small talk before dinner by asking what church we belonged to back home.

Wayne also mentioned that By Faith formed as a result of a schism within a different congregation over whether or not blacks should be allowed to play in church softball games. Yikes.

A member of our group told Barbara that he was majoring in Gender and Women's Studies, rendering her utterly nonplussed. We decided later that she probably thought he was trying to be clever

by implying that he makes a lecherous habit of "studying" members of the opposite sex.

Before we sat down for our first meal, Barbara asked that we hold hands, bow our heads and join her in a blessing. Amenable but self-conscious, we followed these guidelines, trying to accommodate our hosts' custom (which to us was either rusty or altogether foreign). The next day, our hosts asked for a volunteer from our group to lead the morning prayer. This caused a reaction roughly akin to Barbara's faltering attempt to process

women's studies as a field of collegiate study.

We soon realized that prayer preceded and/or followed most daily activities.

Adjusting to the religiosity of our hosts was probably the most challenging aspect of the trip that didn't involve clinging to the edge of an unfinished roof. Tucked away in America's upper right-hand cupboard, our minds marinating in progressive social attitudes and secular humanist theories, most of

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## Immigration bill will keep borders safe

### You Got Conserved



by Will Hales  
COLUMNIST

The growing row over immigration reforms debated these past few weeks in the Senate and media represents an abundance of misunderstanding on the part of most Americans about the intent of the changes being proposed. Millions of Americans, mostly of Latino ethnicity, have taken to the streets in the past days to protest what they perceive is a gross breach of their civil and human rights.

The bill in question will ease restrictions on citizenship for millions of illegal aliens, and critics of the bill have argued that the approach is simply a cop-out to enforcing current immigration laws. Senate Republicans have rightfully opposed the view that granting citizenship to the eight to 11 million illegal aliens currently in the United States would prove easier than actually enforcing the current law and arresting and deporting those who enter the country illegally.

While the racial tensions of the debate have taken the headlines of most media outlets, there are issues at hand that are a great deal more important than the question of guest-worker status and citizenship eligibility.

Since September 11, the main goal of the Department of Homeland Security has been to defend our borders from those who would attack our country. The most high profile of these efforts have been in the nation's airports and seaports. Indeed, last month's largest news story was the failed bid by a Dubai firm to operate several American ports.

The greatest security vulnerability we face is the one that we cannot confront without automatically ruffling the feathers of civil rights activists across the country. In the five years since the September 11 attacks, we have functionally failed in our efforts to make American borders more secure, and this failure is in no small part due to the porous boundaries we share with Mexico and Canada.

Those protesting suggest that any modification to the law which makes it more difficult to enter the United States is inherently racist. I would argue, however, that we need to focus first on gaining the ability to enforce current laws. The millions of illegal

aliens currently in the United States are labeled as such for one reason: they are breaking a law. And the ability of millions to enter this country without documentation and clearance from customs worries me immensely.

I am not a xenophobe. I believe that those from foreign countries should have the opportunity to gain citizenship to the United States if they follow the rules in doing so. I am not writing this to harp on a Mexican family that wishes to join relatives earning an honest living in Texas. I am writing this because the ease with which so many undocumented workers cross into the United States unnoticed provides ample opportunity to any terrorist organization that wishes to do the same.

I am not particularly scared about the arrest last week of Shahzad Qureshi, the Pakistani chauffeur scheduled to pick up Bill Clinton in Newark, who was instead picked up by police for skipping out on a residency-status hearing. Actually, the timing of that one was pretty funny. I am troubled by the November arrest of an Iraqi national on the al-Qaeda most wanted list, because this man was captured in west Texas after crossing into the United States from Mexico.

The intelligence community seems increasingly confident that al-Qaeda is reaching out to Latin American gangs such as MS-13 to establish routes into the United States, and that when a terrorist organization does get its hands on a weapon of mass destruction (and this will happen), that weapon will enter our soil neither by air nor by sea. We've done little to make our borders more secure, and in order to better protect ourselves from another terrorist attack on our land, we must, at the very least, enforce the laws we already have.

There is a great deal of emotion running through our country right now when it comes to both immigration law and national security. It is understandable that when these two areas overlap the response from some will be great, as we've seen in Los Angeles and Dallas.

In the end, however, it is wholly necessary for the system we use to control our borders to be effective in admitting those who seek entrance legally and returning those who don't, because the laws are there, and so is the threat. The security of our nation cannot rest on laws that are ignored because it is more convenient to be complacent than it is to enforce them.



# Pop culture has replaced activism

by Frank Chi  
CONTRIBUTOR

In activist America (or whatever is left of it), there is a silent bewilderment to our apathy. While a generation before us traded their silence for tear gas and batons, our generation participates through Guess Jeans, iPods, popped collars, and colored wristbands. To so many in our generation, civil disobedience is a historical reference retired to the prose of Thoreau and the photographs of King and Gandhi. Our assumption of its extinction indicates a culture not incapable of acting, but one that sees no interest or profit in doing so.

In the 1960s, those who protested the Vietnam War and marched for civil rights found a method of expression congruent with an earlier call of that era. Political activism was a reaction to expectations of conformity, and President Kennedy's "asking" of our service instilled a temporary obligation that required that generation to act. The moral imperatives of the 1960s did not pander to complacency; they demanded direct participation. They demanded of willing youths that their desire for expression be directed toward social change. From that change, the nation began to antagonize the Vietnam War, awaken to the cruelty of racism and bigotry, urge the protection of endangered species, and heighten socio-political awareness.

Today's politicians and leaders, both liberal and conservative, no longer ask us to confront the most dire causes. They now ask us what we want. They no longer govern by an imperative of progress, but by an imperative of public

approval. Though many may argue that this is an enhancement of democracy, it denies the audacity and innovation mandatory for solving the myriad of problems we still face. By idolizing a complacent majority's comfort, short-sighted, timid politics prosper and the drive for social change dies.

We no longer see boldness in office that inspires us to be conscious citizens rather than cold consumers. In years past, Harry Truman desegregated the military and was confronted with immense public distaste. The Supreme Court's landmark Brown decision was decades beyond the racial hostility of public opinion in 1954. Our previous leaders reached beyond the confines of approval and asked us to lead with a vision

getting "Nexed" on MTV.

For most of us, problems can easily be tuned out by turning up Kelly Clarkson on our iPod Nano. As far as we're concerned, individuality and expression require a trip to Urban Outfitters for a pair of \$60 ripped jeans that make us feel unique. But today, many African Americans are still entrapped in the intertwining of racism and poverty. Gay Americans are still casually defied and denied natural rights. A war upon false pretenses is still being incompetently waged in Iraq at the cost of lives and taxpayer dollars. Environmental ruin lurks in a global theatre where overpopulated giants India and China have yet to industrialize. Even President Bush has called on us to end an "addiction to oil."

Next week, the kNOW Poverty campaign will ask us to learn about the poverty that exists both afar and in our midst, with hopes of inspiring us to action. But the real question we should be asking is: Do we actually care? Is our generation so indicative of the consumer consciousness that requires every personal action to produce a personal profit? How many of us wore a yellow wristband before we actually knew it supported cancer research?

When Paris Hilton posed for Diddy's "Vote or Die!" campaign in 2004, a reporter asked her whether she was registered to vote. She had no idea she had to, but she thought the shirt looked hot, and that she looked hot in one. Well, I guess Bill Maher was right. We are the "Paris Hilton generation."

Frank Chi is the president of the Bowdoin College Democrats.

*Whereas a previous generation debated how to sway government, we now debate how to sway our generation to be bothered.*

that required the will for change that first and foremost expected us to act. But during our rare stint at unity in September of 2001, President Bush informed us that our national duty was to shop.

Today, a few brave souls convene in Lancaster Lounge every Monday to protest a war that most of us actually oppose. Whereas a previous generation debated how to sway government, we now debate how to sway our generation to be bothered. Whereas those who protested Lyndon Johnson refused to be silenced, we now wait in our seats for Jon Stewart to poke fun at George W. Bush: Whereas college campuses were once known as centers of activism, they now typify the deadbeat of apathy. Where have all the activists gone? Best bet: They're all either shopping or

# Understanding culture difference important to understanding faith

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us had grown condescending (or at least skeptical) toward doctrinal religion.

The name of our host church, By Faith, came from the New Testament axiom, "We walk by faith, and not by sight" (2 Cor. 5:7)—a doctrine that is absolutely antithetical to our academic tendency to buttress belief with empirical truths, not religious superstitions.

We worked with several other volunteers at the HFH site, all of them at least three times our ages. The man in charge was a 70-year-old Catholic brother named Joe, who had taken a vow of poverty and had been building houses for HFH since before we were born.

Brother Joe was a mild and focused man, but, most notably, he was fearless. While the rest of us clung for dear life to the roof trusses, he could be found dangling precipitously over the edge of the roof, casually nailing in perimeter beams, a sort of courage born either from experience, faith, or lunacy—perhaps all three.

Our other mentor was Bill, a retired Air Force pilot, who was back building after having six cancerous tumors removed from his bladder. Bill had about four zingers in his repertoire, which he issued in a steady cycle throughout the day to keep us on our toes.

"You got a mind like an old steel trap," he would jibe as I failed repeatedly to operate a circular saw. "Rusted shut!"

Brothers Joe and Bill were both pious men who lived their lives simply, though they were by no means simple. Bill was a history buff who would regale us with facts and

stories about the European monarchies and the Civil War in between swings of his hammer. One day, during a lunch break, I sat in on a conversation between Brother Joe and Bill about U.S. foreign policy, in which they discussed current attempts to nation-build and mediate foreign conflicts in an historical context.

I was so intimidated by their insightfulness that I didn't open my mouth once. Anyone who knows me will testify that this usually takes a gag and several liters of tranquilizer.

I had approached this cultural immersion with a certain mental portrait of the rural South: pastoral, yes; charming, certainly; but so too a bastion of ignorance. It didn't take long for me to realize that I was the ignorant one.

Academia's ethereal castles provide a good tactical firing position from which to snipe at rural Southern culture. It is easy to read its simplicity as narrowness and its piousness as ignorance. But this sort of scrutiny can be, to an extent, hypocritical. As cynical as many of us presume to be about doctrinal faith, we too are devout to a religious order: the Church of Academic Liberalism.

Ours is not all that different

from any other church. Books of literature, science, and theory are our scripture. Our professors, charged with helping us understand and interpret these sacred texts, are our ministers. Our classrooms are our church halls. If the clergy/faculty does its job right, we leave church/class each day invigorated, feeling as though the world makes a little more sense.

Our faith in reason is no less fervent or absolute than a Baptist's faith in God. Our arguments over what line of reason is most consistent with the truth resemble arguments among the faithful over what conception of God and what mode of observance is the correct one.

Please do not misconstrue this as an indictment of academic liberalism, or for that matter, an endorsement of doctrinal religion. For my part, I am often disappointed by how irresponsibly some religious zealots wield their piety, and I am disgusted by the way certain institutional ideologues exploit people's love of God to propagate hatred and fear.

But zealotry in academic liberalism can be just as insidious. It is easy to react cynically toward the religiosity of folks like Barbara, Wayne, and Brothers Joe and Bill. You could claim that they just use it to legitimize their conservative social "values." You could write it

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off as stubbornness; unwillingness to embrace modern scientific enlightenment because they don't have the time or patience to revise their worldviews. You could treat it as mere idiocy.

None of these analyses, however, account for the possibility of pure faith, unadulterated by political agendas and cognitive incapacities.

At lunch one day at a Methodist church, we saw a woman nearly break down while speaking about the power of Jesus's love—how it was more powerful than genocide, terrorism, or any other earthly evils.

This wasn't Jerry Falwell sounding off on the virulent influence of homosexual culture or Pat Robertson accusing the feminist movement of being a front for "witchcraft"; this was positively moving stuff—heartfelt, loving, and pure.

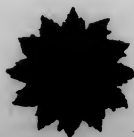
Though she preached a worldview that was, perhaps, a tad simplistic to set my mind—and maybe yours—at peace, her concepts seemed to make a lot more sense in the context of a rural Mississippi town than they might in a bustling Northern metropolis.

The Dalai Lama once said, "Where ignorance is our master, there is no possibility of real peace." Any system of belief, be it theistic or agnostic, is vulnerable to sanctimony. Any cultural community, be it in southern Maine or northern Mississippi, is vulnerable to insularity. When these toxins prevail, political acrimony takes hold, respect is abandoned, and everyone's minds become, as Bill said, like old steel traps: rusted shut.



Two paintings by Doran Rivera '08, on display in Lancaster Lounge.

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# WEEKLYCALENDAR

## March 31-April 6

### Friday

#### Common Hour

Dick Pound, one of the most influential members of the International Olympic Committee and named by "Time" magazine as one of the 100 most influential people in 2005, presents "Recap on the Olympics."

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

#### Buddhism and the Western Mind

Evan Thompson, philosophy professor at the University of Toronto, will give a lecture titled, "Buddha and the Brain: Investigating the Mind in the 21st Century," about what Western scientists

have learned about the effects of meditation on the brain.

Asian Studies Conference Room, 38 College St., 4 p.m.

#### Shabbat Candle Lighting

Johnson House, 6 p.m.

#### Coffeehouse

Come to a coffeehouse evening sponsored by Safe Space, featuring student performances including a capella group Ursus Verses. Chase Barn Chamber, 7:30 p.m.

#### Film: "The Seventh Seal"

An exhausted and disillusioned medieval knight travels home after many years in the Crusades. When an apparition of Death appears in front of him, the knight challenges him to a game of chess in this powerful story that ponders the meaning of life.

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

### Monday

#### Literature Reading

Gregory Smith '75, English professor at Carleton College English professor, will read selections from his three award-winning novels.

Ladd House, 4-5:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Spindel Lecture

Art Spiegelman will give a lecture aided by visuals from his Pulitzer Prize-winning Holocaust narratives "Maus" and "Maus II," the first-year book selections for the class of 2009.

Memorial Hall, Pickard Theater, 7:30 p.m.



A desert landscape as seen by a student on an Alternative Spring Break trip in New Mexico.

Courtesy of Whyntie Martin-Sackett

### Saturday

#### Film: "The Seventh Seal"

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### A Capella Concert

The Meddiebempsters will perform alongside the Ramifications, an a capella group from Suffolk.

Bowdoin Chapel, 7-9 p.m.

#### Jazz Guitar Recital

Eric Davich '06 will give a performance of jazz guitar music written after 1960. He will be joined by a small orchestra of other students and faculty.

Room 101, Gibson Hall, 7:30-9 p.m.

### Sunday

#### Sunday Mass

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

#### Communion

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to an Episcopal communion led by Edie and Gil Birney.

Mitchell South Dining Room, Thorne Hall, 4:30 p.m.

#### German Film

View the film "Between the Stars," about how issues of cultural identity, generation conflicts, assimilation, and bias impact Turkish populations in Germany.

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 4 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Safe Space Speak-Out

Survivors of sexual assault from Bowdoin and the surrounding community will share their stories, poems, and experiences.

Ladd House, 7:15 p.m.

#### U.S.-North Korean Politics

Christopher Hill '74, Assistant U.S. Secretary of State and head of the U.S. delegation to the six-party talks on the North Korean nuclear issue, will discuss U.S. relations with North Korea.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

### Thursday

#### Swing Dancing

Join a free swing dancing lesson taught by professional instructor Paul Krakauske. An open dancing session will follow the lesson.

Ladd House, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

#### Poetry Reading

Poet Camille Dungy will give a public reading of her sonnet collection "What to Eat, What to Drink, What to Leave for Poison." Her poems grew out of builds upon stories her grandparents told of the struggles that blacks endured before the civil rights movement.

Howell House, 7:30 p.m.



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## Plans for new fitness center in the works

by Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

A new fitness center significantly larger than the current Watson gym could put campus athletic facilities in much better shape in the next few years.

A "state-of-the-art" fitness center will be completed "as soon as possible," said President Barry Mills in an interview with the Orient.

Mills said he would like to see a fitness center that could serve the entire Brunswick community. He hopes the College can raise enough money "to get plans going" in the next year.

"Why do you think I'm out trying to raise money?" Mills asked in the interview. said that building a new fitness center is very important to him.

According to Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley, the estimated cost of the new fitness center would be approximately \$5 million.

Bradley, who chaired a recent building committee, said, "We have

## A patchwork of support hangs in S.U.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

A quilt addressing the issue of sexual assault in the Bowdoin community and beyond is on display in Smith Union. See story, page 3.

carefully developed an estimate—thanks to Jim St. Pierre in the Athletic Department—that indicates we'd be best served to build between 10,500 and 12,000 square feet in a new facility."

Those numbers would include approximately 3,150 square feet of areas designated as multipurpose spaces.

The current fitness center has a

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## Class of 2010 'best' group Steele has seen

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

After another year with a record number of applicants—just over 5,400—the admissions office has mailed acceptance letters, according to Dean of Admissions Dick Steele.

Due to the upcoming housing crunch, the acceptance rate of 22 percent was slightly lower than usual, though that number will rise as students are admitted off the waiting list, Steele said. Last year's acceptance rate was 24.3 percent.

"We purposely planned to come in under our target because the housing situation is going to be so tight in the fall," Steele said.

"We don't want to go over by one or two. We're going to be doing a lot of activity with the wait list, I think," he said.

Steele said at the faculty meeting on April 3 that the target size for the Class of 2010 is 480. If that target is reached, the trend of first-year class sizes growing each year since 2000 will continue. This May, the College will lose 441 students to graduation from the Class of 2006.

However, Steele said that the fact that more students may be admitted

from the waiting list in no way reduces the caliber of the incoming class.

"We were more competitive than ever before in history, and I'd be thrilled if we could get to some of these students we had to wait list," Steele said.

"Some of the people we let in off of the wait list will do spectacular work. We won't be diminishing the quality of the class in my expectation. It's the best quality I've seen in 30 years of doing this," he said.

Twenty-nine foreign countries are represented in the class.

The widely publicized scoring problems with the October SAT, in which the College Board miscalculated the scores of 4,000 students, had a minimal impact on Bowdoin's admissions process, according to Steele. Although 19 applicants did have revised scores sent to the College, the revised scores arrived with enough time for the admissions committee to reconsider all the students who had been affected by the problem. However, the College was notified of three of the changes just four days before the letters were mailed.

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## Facebook helps students mourn the loss of friends

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Following the deaths of Katie Scott '06 and Taryn King '07 earlier this academic year, students found different ways to cope. Some attended College-sponsored vigils. Some attended funerals. Some sought the counsel of college staff, family, and friends.

Some posted on King and Scott's Facebook "walls."

During its two years in operation, Facebook, a social networking web site that allows students to post personal profiles, has served many social functions, including a communication medium, a networking facilitator, a bulletin board, and a procrastination tool. But in the case of deceased students, it has taken on a much different role—a memorial.

Scott died in a car crash in New Hampshire last October. Soon afterward, friends and classmates began to flood her Facebook wall—an online message board—with personal notes. The posts were mostly simple and succinct expressions of love and well-wishing addressed directly to Scott.

"I guess I felt compelled to express the loss I was feeling and the fact that I was praying for her," said senior Margaret Fuller. "I didn't really think about whether she would receive my message or not."

Similar posts were made on King's wall after she died suddenly while studying abroad in Ireland in January. King's profile has since been removed from Facebook.

When the staff of Facebook learns that a member has died, it removes that person's basic personal information, contact information, and membership to groups from her profile, according to Facebook spokesperson Chris Hughes.

They preserve the member's photographs, wall, and select personal information for one month before removing the profile altogether.

Hughes said that Facebook learns about the death of members via emails from family or friends of the deceased.

Scott's profile remains, however,

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## Chris Hill '74 shares insight on Asia

by Anna Karass  
ORIENT STAFF

In between trips to Asia, Assistant U.S. Secretary of State for East Asian Affairs Christopher Hill, a member of the Bowdoin Class of 1974, found time to pay a visit to his alma mater.

On Tuesday night, Hill shared his experiences as head of the U.S. delegation to the six-party talks aimed at disarming North Korea. He also discussed current developments in East Asia.

Opening his talk with references to his days playing varsity lacrosse at Bowdoin, Hill proceeded to discuss the challenges and opportunities that an increasingly powerful Asia poses for the United States.

"The century of Asia is upon us," he said.

While Hill reiterated the importance of maintaining strong ties with traditional allies like Japan and South Korea, he also emphasized the



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Assistant U.S. Secretary of State for East Asian Affairs Chris Hill '74 chats with President Barry Mills and JiSoo Kim '06 after his lecture on current developments in East Asia and efforts to disarm North Korea.

necessity of working with China on issues around the globe, especially the six-party talks.

"Of course we need China," he said. "I think it is a little cavalier to

say we don't."

However, according to Assistant Professor of Government and Asian

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## Dudley Coe to keep weekend hours

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

After a two-month trial period, Dudley Coe Health Center has decided to keep its new weekend hours.

College Physician and Director of Health Services Dr. Jeff Benson was pleased with the effectiveness of the weekend hours' trial period.

"Overall, it's very successful," Benson said. "It has felt like a needed service, and it feels good to be able to offer it."

Dudley Coe will continue to be open for the rest of the semester, and

weekend hours will start back up again with the beginning of the new academic year. The clinic will be open from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

When the trial period first began, the hours were from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., but according to Benson, the Health Center Student Advisory Group felt that the original time frame was too early for many students.

Benson indicated that on a typical weekend day, the clinic saw a significant number of students.

"The range was three or four, and up to seven or eight per day," Benson said.

He acknowledged that the medical problems that the staff saw "tended to be more acute problems, problems that could not have waited." Among others, he listed ear infections, stomach flu, bladder infections, orthopedic injuries, colds, and bronchitis as the health issues that the clinic saw during the weekend trial period.

"Ninety-five percent of the time it was really appropriate that people came in," Benson said. He also noted that "students were very grateful."

Brittany Ogden '08 was one of many who expressed her satisfaction

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## Class of 2010 shows trend of increasing female applicants

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"We went through every case and looked at it again," said Steele. "Most of the score changes we looked at, with one exception, were pretty small and it was pretty clear the decisions did not have to be reversed."

Another issue that has been causing

difficulty for some admissions offices is the growing gender imbalance in applications. According to Steele, this was not a problem for the College, but it could affect Bowdoin in the future. This year, 56 percent of applicants and 52 percent of admits are women. In all, 609 more women than men applied.

"I think this is going to be one of the biggest issues in the next decade," said Steele. "There are fewer males in high school, period. They aren't doing as well in coursework as women, they have different rates of aspiration in terms of going to college. Also, trends in the data indicate that in general, young men gravitate to universities and less to liberal arts colleges than women. Add all those things together, and you have a potential problem."

"We've been pretty fortunate," Steele continued. "There's some evidence of imbalance in the high school market, but I don't think it's a huge problem for us at the moment. Other colleges in the last

four or five years have had a more lopsided situation."

According to Director of Student Aid Stephen Joyce, two factors may result in a decreased yield, or number of accepted students who enroll at the College.

First, wealthier colleges, such as Penn, Harvard, and Princeton are trying to entice lower-income students to enroll by

there were not any other serious changes in incomes or demographics of the incoming class, he was making sure to pay close attention to the burden on middle-class families.

"I think college costs and debt burden and the general national economy push pretty hard on the middle-income family, so we're very interested to see whether those families come to Bowdoin in the same numbers that they have in the past."

Stephen Joyce  
Director of Student Aid

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offering no-loan financial aid packages. Also, increased merit scholarships are persuading students to make their college decisions for financial as well as academic reasons.

"Right now, we're in an interesting position where we don't provide merit money, with the exception of the National Merit Scholarship program, and we're not in a position to have enough financial aid support to be as generous as we'd like to be with loans at this point," Joyce said. "So it will be an interesting year to see what our yield is like and how students make their decisions by May 1."

Additionally, Joyce said that though

"We know students are applying to many more places this year than in the previous number of years. Students who did not apply early decision were so insecure about getting in anywhere that they applied to large numbers of colleges. Some students applied to 20," Steele said.

"I think it's going to be a year where a lot of colleges and universities will use their waiting list. I hate the uncertainty of it all, and the students do too, but it will work," he said.

Evan S. Kohn contributed to this report.

## Facebook an outlet for students mourning the death of friends

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and her wall has received 57 new posts since her death, some added as recently as April 3.

Sarah Little, a childhood friend of Scott and a senior at Middlebury College, has made nine new posts since her friend's passing.

"I don't think there should be any reason to remove profiles such as Katie's," Little said in an email to the Orient.

"It has proven to be a helpful forum for many of us in our grieving processes and, for those people who don't want to look at it, they can simply avoid clicking on the link," she said.

According to Hughes, Facebook phases out deceased members' profiles in order to accurately reflect

the social community that comprises it. He was not surprised, however, that students use the web site to memorialize lost loved ones.

"People don't log on to Facebook to imitate or lie about who they are, but, instead, to build a virtual representation of their 'real-life' personality," Hughes said in an email to the Orient.

"To that end, it does not surprise us that students often

move to Facebook after a peer has died to express their grief at the loss," he said.

The new messages on Scott's wall are different from those that were posted in the immediate aftermath of her death. While last fall the messages took the tone of farewell, newer notes more closely resemble postcards to an old friend. Little posted recently to tell Scott about her Spring Break. Jen Horonoff, who graduated from the University of California-Irvine last spring, has periodically posted messages describing events in her life that have reminded her of her lost friend.

Little empathized with this inclination.

"A song will come on the radio or I'll see a movie trailer and, in spite of the fact that I know that she is gone, I'll subconsciously think 'I have to remember to tell that to

Katie," she said.

Students at other schools have utilized other features of Facebook to honor the memories of their deceased classmates. When University of Arkansas (UA) sophomore April Love was murdered by her boyfriend in September 2005, her friend Hillary Klinger, then a first year, created a Facebook group called "In Memory of April Love (1985-2005)." The group has a discussion board where friends have quoted Bible passages, described favorite memories involving April, and announced updates on the trial of her killer. There are 407 UA students in the group.

"The [group] has also made it easier for students to post activities involving April," Klinger said in an email to the Orient.

"I was able to send everyone in April's memorial group a message telling them of a documentary in Texarkana, Arkansas, dedicated to April Love and others who have been murdered due to domestic violence."

Fuller and Little do not see the public accessibility of the messages they post on Scott's as a deterrent.

"Writing her a message that her other friends can see conveys how meaningful her friendship was, so her memory is able to stay alive," said Fuller.

"The Facebook allows Katie's friends to not only 'speak' to her, but to also carry on a kind of conversation between all of us," said Little.

"Particularly because we are all geographically dispersed, it is comforting to know that other people are thinking and dreaming about Katie as frequently as I am," she said.

As to whether she believes that the messages are getting through to her friend, Little was uncertain.

"I guess in some way the internet is such a broad, seemingly limitless entity that it almost feels like sending a message out to Katie," Little said.

"And, if she's out there somewhere, maybe she'll receive it," she said.

Sarah Little  
Middlebury Senior

## Hill '74 discusses six-party talks aimed at disarming North Korea

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Studies Lance Guo, many Chinese citizens do not believe the United States truly wants to work with China.

"A lot of people in China think that the U.S. is trying to derail China's development. It is wrong, but a lot of people think that. I think that it is most important that people have the desire to get along not just as strategy, but as human relations," Guo said.

Hill focused the latter portion of his lecture on the challenges of the six-party talks.

"The six-party talks have been difficult, and, believe me, I have the scars to prove it," he said.

Nonetheless, Hill believes that the current negotiations provide the best arrangement for North Koreans.

"The six-party talks are the best deal for everyone," he said.

According to Hill, in exchange for giving up their nuclear program, the United States will give the North Koreans a "road map out of their current isolationism," which, among other things, led to a horrific famine in 1997.

"If you rank order the top 1,000 problems that North Korea has, weapons aren't going to solve any of them," Hill said.

Associate Professor of Government and Asian Studies Henry Laurence has a similar outlook on North Korea's

position in the negotiations.

"The bottom line with the talks is that North Korea has a very powerful incentive to end its isolation and therefore give up its nuclear programs," he said. "It is their one bargaining chip, and they can't eat it, so sooner or later they will have to play it."

Laurence was particularly struck by Hill's willingness to discuss his experiences with the negotiations.

"Given that he is a serving diplomat at the epicenter of one of the most delicate and important negotiations in history, I thought it was amazing how open he was," Laurence said.

Senior JiSoo Kim echoed Laurence's sentiment.

"[It is] one of the best lectures I have ever had. Mr. Hill summarized very complicated economic and political aspects of the Asia region in an amazingly succinct way," she said. "It felt great to be a student at Bowdoin to have such an opportunity to hear from him and talk to him in person, as well as get his business card."

After listening to Hill's talk, Guo believes that he brings a lot of positive qualities to the current negotiations over North Korea's nuclear program.

"He is a very real asset in the six-party talks because he can understand the positions of everyone, while staying firm on the U.S. position," she said.

It is not the first time that Hill has

taken time out of his busy schedule to share his expertise with members of the Bowdoin community. Hill was last on campus in 2004 for Reunion Weekend to give a talk entitled "Meditating Peace" to alumni. In 2003, Hill was at Bowdoin to accept the Gordon S. Hargraves '19 Preservation of Freedom Prize, one of Bowdoin's highest honors, for his work in the Balkans.

"[Hill] is somebody who both President Mills and I keep in very close touch with. He is very loyal to Bowdoin even though he has such an important job to do," Vice President for Planning & Institutional Advancement Scott Meiklejohn said.

Graduating with an A.B. in economics, Hill went on to serve in the Peace Corps in Cambodia. He also served as U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Korea, Ambassador to Poland, Ambassador to the Republic of Macedonia, and Special Envoy to Kosovo.

## CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY REPORT: 3/31 to 4/6

Friday, March 31

•A report was filed that a stack of firewood was stolen from behind the barn at 75 Federal St.

•The fire alarm at Dudley Coe Health Center was activated by dust from a nearby construction site.

•A staff member's vehicle struck a small child crossing Maine Street on a bicycle near Howell House. The child was uninjured.

Saturday, April 1

•An officer discovered that two doors at Brunswick Apartments appeared to have been vandalized.

•Officers found an intoxicated student on the roof of a Brunswick Apartments building. A report was filed with the Dean of Student Affairs.

•A West Hall student filed a late report that three iPods and an iPod docking device were stolen from

his dorm room at different times over the last few months.

Sunday, April 2

•A student who injured her hand by shutting it in a door was transported to Parkview Hospital.

•A Grove Street resident reported a disturbance at the baseball field behind Farley Field House.

Monday, April 3

•A theft of copper pipe occurred early Monday morning at the Hyde Hall renovation project. Over 500 feet of pipe in 10-foot lengths was taken from the basement. The thieves gained entry by cutting a lock on the site gate with bolt cutters. Entry into the building was through a first-floor west-side window. Brunswick police and Bowdoin Security are investigating.

•A student reported the theft over 100 CDs from her vehicle over the weekend. The CDs were in a black

case with the name Case Logic on it. The theft may have occurred while the vehicle was parked at the Boody Street lot or in the area of School or Howard streets.

Tuesday, April 4

•Brunswick Police transported a student with a medical emergency to Mid Coast Hospital for treatment.

•An East Hall student reported the theft of his bicycle from the bike rack between East and West halls. A heavy-duty bike lock was sawed. The bike is a green and black Gary Fisher mountain bike with wide tires.

Wednesday, April 5

•A student reported that her bicycle was stolen from Stowe Inn. A heavy-duty bike lock was cut. The bike is a blue 18-speed Mongoco with a black seat and high-rise handlebars.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

•Attendance: 24/26. Absent: Jacq Abrams '06, Mike LoBiondo '06.

•BSG will be having a discussion on their involvement with the Judicial Board and the system for approving new members next week.

"I think there was an accountability issue," noted President DeRay Mekesson '07.

•Debate and voting on several reforms for the election rules took place (see story, page 5).

•A resolution that presented BSG's stance on the housing crunch was passed 23-1. The resolution highlighted that "the current situation being offered by Residential Life is acceptable only as a temporary measure, to serve as a bridge to a solution that will be viable long-term."

# Survivors speak out against assault

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

For many of the attendees of Safe Space's recent Speak-Out, sexual assault is not something they simply read about in the news—it is a personal experience with which they continue to cope. Despite pouring rain, which forced event organizers to cancel the opening procession of sexual assault survivors and their supporters from the gazebo in Brunswick to Ladd House, every seat at the Speak-Out was filled.

Safe Space sponsored its second-ever Speak-Out on Tuesday as part of its efforts for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Safe Space is a student organization that works to end silence surrounding sexual assault.

Though the approximately 75 attendees were predominantly students, school administrators and local residents were also present.

With tissue boxes placed on the armrests of couches forming a semicircle around a stage area, and promises of anonymity and a safe space to share thoughts and experiences, the evening promised to be an emotional experience, and it delivered.

No order of speakers was created and no barriers were set as to when, or for how long, people could speak. After an introduction to the Speak-Out program, the floor was opened to people to volunteer their stories. After a minute or two of silence, the first story of sexual assault was shared.

By the end of the nearly three-hour-long Speak-Out, 25 attendees

had come to the stage and discussed their own or their friends' experiences of sexual assault.

Speakers told personal stories of rape and other forms of sexual assault, many of which occurred on campus. While many others were sexually assaulted off-campus, they expressed that they were still coping with these traumatic events in their lives.

Speak-Out attendee Michael Wood '06 reflected on the event.

"I was shocked to hear people I

unnamed also commented on the event.

"It's so awful to feel like you can't break the silence and to be afraid of how other people will react to you if you tell them," she said. "Being there in that room, I realized that I had found the people who would support me."

The first Safe Space Speak-Out at Bowdoin was organized last year by Safe Space member Lindsay Buntman '06. Before transferring to Bowdoin, Buntman had already been involved in the Safe Space program at The George Washington University and had previously attended a speak-out on the Colgate University campus. When she came to Bowdoin, she was surprised that Bowdoin did not sponsor its own Speak-Out.

This year's Speak-Out included both

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A student who wished to remain unnamed

new well telling stories when before I had no idea about it. To see people at Bowdoin doing that was really powerful," he said.

While Wood acknowledged that he was aware of the existence of sexual assault incidences on the Bowdoin campus, "to hear the specifics was the next step in my understanding of the level to which it happens."

For Bowdoin Women's Association (BWA) Co-Chair Alison Driver '08, the importance of the Speak-Out lay in the way it offers survivors a feeling of community.

"It's an expression of community and support, a community for people to seek support and for people to provide it," she said.

A survivor who wished to remain

more attendees and more speakers. These numbers have coincided with a growing Safe Space membership.

"People are much more aware of Safe Space as a resource," said Safe Space member Nicole Hart '06 when asked about the reason for group's growing membership.

Safe Space members are trained by advocates for Sexual Assault Support Services of Mid-Coast Maine (SASSMM), an organization that has also trained some Safe Space members to become peer educators. Katrina Ringrose of SASSMM helped organize Tuesday's event by bringing together Brunswick community members and people from the

Please see SPEAK-OUT, page 4

## Thorne's beloved Doug checks out

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

Diners entering Thorne will no longer be greeted by name by checker Doug Reil. Reil's last day as a checker at Thorne Dining Hall was Tuesday, March 28.

Reil left because of post-polio syndrome. Muscle atrophy resulting from the syndrome made work very difficult for him. Although Reil will use his new free time to rest, he also wants to go back to the recording studio.

"My health has gone downhill, so I'm going to take it easy," Reil said of his current plans. "I'm going to get back into playing music again."

"I'm working on a CD I've been putting off for a long time. I'll try to get that produced and recorded," Reil said. He plays all of the instruments on the recordings and writes his own songs. He added that Chris Derbyshire, who runs Super Snack, is "teaching me the engineering side of recording."

Reil, who began work at the College in September 2003, held the Sunday-Thursday dinner shift.

Of all things he will miss, Reil said that the students would be the first.

"They're very intelligent, smart kids. I look forward to coming to work every night. The way they go about their lives, studying hard—I've never seen more hardworking kids in my life—Bowdoin College kids," he said. "I feel like a proud parent when I see them. I want to make sure they're doing well."

In turn, the Bowdoin community will not forget him.

"Doug was one of the more personable employees at Thorne. Each time he swiped my card at dinner he greet-



Courtesy of Mark Dickey

Doug Reil hopes that students will keep in touch with him even though he will no longer be at Thorne to welcome diners by name.

ed me by my name, and made the start of my evening that much better," junior Thu-Nga Ho said. "His contributions to Bowdoin have surely had a positive effect on many Bowdoin students, and he will be missed."

"We have really enjoyed having Doug as a part of our team," said Thorne Hall Unit Manager Mark Dickey.

"Doug's friendly face and personal greetings will be missed by students and staff," he said.

Reil, who turns 50 in September, noted that he will be available for special events, like graduation, if needed.

"I'm going to miss the kids. I'm going to miss seeing them nightly. I'm going to miss the staff that I work with at Thorne," he said.

Reil did have one request.

"I would love to have students feel free to email me anytime at dougreil@mac.com," he said. "Tell me how you're doing, where your life is taking you."

Bowdoin College  
EXIT 28

Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The Bowdoin sign on I-295 no longer competes for space with Southern New Hampshire University's continuing education campus in Brunswick.

## Bowdoin successfully lobbies for sign split

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

Students returning from Spring Break on I-295 noticed that after months of sharing a highway sign with a neighboring school, Bowdoin again had a sign all to itself.

According to Herb Thomson, director of communication for the Maine Department of Transportation (MaineDOT), the joint sign with Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) was first installed approximately one year ago. The signs were then split into two this March.

SNHU, which has a main campus located in Manchester, New Hampshire, has operated an adult education center at the Brunswick Naval Air Station since the 1970s. The university recently opened another facility near the Wal-Mart in Cooks Corner. The university changed its name from New Hampshire College in 2001.

Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration Katy Longley told the Orient that the College worried that joint sign decreased visibility. She said she placed a call to MaineDOT Commissioner David Cole to request the change.

Longley said that requesting separate signs was no slight to SNHU.

"They asked for a sign and they're entitled to a sign," she said.

Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley was nostalgic about the old Bowdoin sign.

"When returning to town from away I have always enjoyed seeing the 'Bowdoin College, Exit 22' [now 28] sign," he said.

"I am pleased that there is another higher educational institution now in this area," Bradley continued. "The more we can do to encourage Maine people to pursue higher education, the better. I am also glad that the highway authorities ultimately saw fit for each institution to have its own road sign."

This has not been the only sign change in recent memory. In 2004, MaineDOT began a highway renumbering project that changed the name of the highway that passes by Brunswick from Interstate 95 to Interstate 295. MaineDOT also switched to a mileage-based exit numbering system which changed the Brunswick exit number from 22 to 28.

Longley placed the sign split in the context of a larger effort to improve signage to and around campus.

She said that the College is working with Jay Paulus of the Bath-based Paulus Design Group, Inc. to accomplish this goal.

Bowdoin has already begun placing new signs around the perimeter of the campus. Once that project is complete, Longley said, the College will begin working to increase signage within the campus.

Longley also said Bowdoin is working with the Town of Brunswick to ease navigation from highway exits to the campus.

## Dudley Coe to remain open on weekends permanently, schedule weekend staff

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with the health center's weekend hours in a survey administered by the Bowdoin Women's Association (BWA).

"It was so helpful to have the health center open. I am for the weekend hours," Ogden said.

Tara D'Errico '08 agreed.

"I think [making weekend hours permanent] is an excellent idea, since students do not only get sick on weekdays," D'Errico said.

"It's nice to know that if you are sick on the weekends, you don't have to go sit in the ER for hours," she said.

Despite many successes, the weekend clinic has faced some challenges.

"The biggest [challenge] has been finding the provider staff," Benson said.

"It's hard to ask people to come in two hours on Saturday or Sunday—

those two hours can really disrupt whatever plans you had for the day," he said.

Currently, there are three clinical providers in the health center that divide up the weekend schedule and are paid on an hourly basis. Benson also explained that Sandra Lide, a medical assistant and laboratory technician from Midcoast Hospital, works every Saturday and Sunday to ease the strain on the Bowdoin staff.

According to Benson, the College hopes to resolve the staff shortage problem next year by hiring two new staff members.

"The plan right now is to continue [the clinic] next year. We will have the administrative and budget support to be able to do it," Benson said.

"We're going to try to regulate the weekend schedule, and [the new staff members] will come in with the expectation that they will need to work weekend hours," he said.

## Speak-Out introduces sexual assault survivors to a community of support

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Independence Association, an organization that works to help the mentally disabled.

To Buntman, the most important element of the program is that it starts the healing process for those who were sexually assaulted.

The Speak-Out is one of many programs sponsored by Safe Space for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Last Friday, Safe Space sponsored a coffeehouse at Chase Barn to raise sexual assault awareness. Also, on display in Smith Union for the next two weeks is a quilt for sexual assault awareness, to which many members of the Bowdoin community contributed squares.

"We put [the quilt] up so that members of the Bowdoin community and visitors can understand how big of an issue sexual assault is on the Bowdoin campus and the importance of support for survivors," Safe Space member Nicole Willey '08 said. "It also serves as an opportunity for those

who cannot attend the Speak-Out to get an idea of the feelings of survivors, friends of survivors, and supporters."

On Monday, Jackson Katz, co-founder of the Mentors in Violence Prevention program, is slated to speak at Bowdoin. Also in the works is a Safe Space support group for survivors and friends of survivors, which is planned to start this semester or early next semester. It will most likely be led by an advocate from SASSMM, according to Hart.

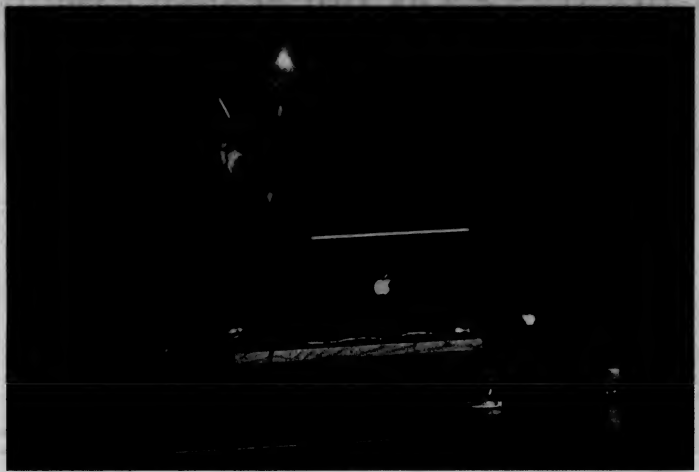
"The support group is going to be a huge addition to Safe Space for a lot of survivors dealing with it on an everyday basis," said Safe Space member Emily Coffin '08.

"That allotted time to talk about those issues will be tremendously important," she said.

Buntman agreed that the campus needs to continue its effort to raise consciousness about the fact that sexual assault happens at Bowdoin.

"We won't allow people to deny that it happens," she said.

## 'I wanted a comic book that needed a bookmark'



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Pulitzer-prize winning illustrator Art Spiegelman lectured Wednesday night about the process of designing "Maus" and "Maus II," his chilling graphic novels about his father's survival of the Holocaust. The presentation was this year's Spindel Lectureship. During the talk, Spiegelman smoked cigarettes, joking, "The cigarette is a prop, but its good to spread the smell of death in a room where we'll be talking about death camps."

# ASB volunteers bring lessons home to Bowdoin

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

Unlike the vast majority of students around the country, Aisha Woodward '08 opted to spend her Spring Break helping underprivileged grade schoolers in New York City as part of Bowdoin's Alternate Spring Break (ASB) program. CBS news, inspired by Bowdoin College students' initiative, invited Woodward and her trip co-leader Jamie Knight '07 to be interviewed live about the experience.

"[The interviewer] asked us why we would want to go here instead of someplace like Cancun," Woodward said.

Three full weeks after this year's six ASB trips returned home, trip members are starting to think about ways their service in other communities worldwide can be brought back to Bowdoin.

Michelle Chan '06, one of the leaders of the Thailand trip, said she was greatly affected by the conversations she had with women in the sex trade.

"It definitely challenged my own personal beliefs about the sex trade, in

a good way," said Chan. "I definitely want to continue being involved."

Student participants were given the opportunity to come together and reflect on their unique experiences, as well as consider future opportunities for service at an exhibit in Smith Union

*"I can tell you with certainty that everyone who went on a trip was changed."*

Mike Taylor '07

featuring photographs from the trips.

The exhibit, entitled "Perspectives," features pictures and reflections mounted on the wall outside of Lamarche Lounge, as well as an ongoing slideshow with images from the six ASB destinations—Guatemala, Mississippi, New Mexico, New York City, Peru, and Thailand.

At the exhibit's opening reception on Tuesday, students who did not go on the trips were given the opportunity to view what had been a reality to many of their classmates by seeing photographs and reading statements describing the people and places encountered on the trips. The powerful words of one

trip member's first reaction to meeting a sex worker in Thailand demonstrated how the trip has affected her personally.

"I realized that if I were born in another place and time, she could be me," wrote AmeriCorps VISTA Sarah Mountcastle.

Mike Taylor '07, a student on the trip to Peru, said that participating in an ASB trip was a much more rewarding experience than most service he had done in the past.

"It's so much more than writing a check," he said. "I can tell you with certainty that everyone who went on a trip was changed."

This year, more trips went out than ever before, to locations both within and beyond the United States.

One group traveled to Mississippi to build houses for Habitat for Humanity.

"Looking back on what we'd done throughout the week, we were able to see how much we'd accomplished," said trip member Tim Bourassa '08.

Another volunteer from the Mississippi trip, Claudia Paz '08, said the experience "gave us a greater appreciation of Southern culture." Some of the Southern culture they encountered, however, was not friendly.

The members of the Mississippi ASB trip quickly became acquainted with the term NIMBY—Not In My Back Yard—a sentiment expressed by Southerners who supported Habitat for Humanity, as long as it wasn't in their own neighborhood.

"It just shows how some people are scared of low-income housing," said Bourassa.

Bourassa said that of all the experiences he brings back to Bowdoin, the most significant is "a better understanding of the poverty that is still in America."

In Guatemala, students helped out at Safe Passage, an education center for the children that live at the Guatemala City garbage dump. Jake Stevens '08 talked about the impact the children made on him.

"It's so hard to remember where they come from," Stevens said. "They



Courtesy of Whyntie Martin-Sackett

Laura Sartori '06 went on an ASB trip to a Native-American reservation in New Mexico where the group worked to address public health issues.

seem happy, but the background they come from isn't so happy."

"It makes you aware of how waste-

ful dance, and everyone started dancing. It was an amazing collision of cultures. Tears were shed. That really changed my perspective."

Taylor said that the experience changed him.

"I haven't been able to live the same life," he said.

To address growing public health problems in Native-American reservations, another group of students traveled to New Mexico.

Jake Stevens '08

For Meghan Kennedy '06, the hospitality the Bowdoin students were met with took her aback.

"They were just so generous and welcoming," said Kennedy, who is determined to share her experiences with others back at Bowdoin.

"We want to increase awareness. There are many medical, social, and educational issues that Native Americans are facing and a lot of people aren't aware of it," she said.

*"It's so hard to remember where they come from. They seem happy, but the background they come from isn't so happy. It makes you aware of how wasteful America is."*

ful America is," he added.

Alicia Velez '08 had a similar experience in Guatemala. "Everything looks OK...then you see where they live," she said.

Other students went to Peru to learn about rural poverty in a developing nation.

"[At the end of the trip], we were told we would be given a gift, a surprise from the community," Taylor said. "A few of the older women did a tradition-



Alex Krippner for The Bowdoin Orient

The "Perspectives" exhibit in Smith Union, which displays photographs from the six ASB trips, challenges students to bring ASB lessons home. The exhibit is located outside of Lamarche Lounge.



## THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF J-BOARD ARE:

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## Election reforms planned for BSG, class elections

by Cati Mitchell  
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When candidates for Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) office file their petitions next week, they will begin their campaigns under a set of reformed election rules. Petitions for candidacy are due Wednesday at 8 p.m. for the election that is slated to take place April 19 through April 21.

Preparations are also underway for events to both inform the candidates about the election process and inform the voters about the candidates. Information sessions for potential candidates will be held on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday. Forums for voters to meet the campaigners will be held on April 17 and 18.

At its most recent meeting, BSG passed a number of election rule reforms for candidates running for class office and BSG positions.

The first reform defined "campaign," a term which had not been defined in previous election rubrics. The definition, which passed unanimously, defined a person campaigning as "any person taking action on the candidate's behalf."

The definition was left vague on purpose.

"The stricter we make it, the more loopholes appear," said Sam Downing '09.

Another set of reforms dealt with electronic campaigning. The first reform, which prohibits candidates from sending emails to any College group aliases or lists, was passed with little debate. Nineteen members voted in favor and two abstained.

A reform that removed a clause from the election rules that prohibited candidates from campaigning electronically to people they do not know received more debate.

While some members felt that candidates should be allowed to email freely, others felt that using resources such as posters and forums were a better option.

"I think you have enough ways to reach out to people you don't know without email," said Carolyn Chu '07.

Alex Linhart '06 agreed. "That's good old-fashioned campaigning. That's what America was built on," he said.

Many members felt it would be too difficult to define what "campaigning electronically" would entail.

"I think the more rules we put out there, the harder it is to define right or wrong," said Molly Dorkey '06, a member of the Elections Commission.

The reform passed with 16 members in favor and seven against.

A reform which would have added a clause about campaigning via Facebook was voted down unanimously. Members

felt that monitoring candidates on Facebook would be too difficult to keep track of and enforce.

"You can't rule Facebook," Dorkey said.

The third set of reforms dealt with possible sanctions for candidates who break election rules. The first option, entitled "The Tool Box," listed possible sanctions the Elections Commission could use, including a public warning, delay of the election, and disqualification. The reform passed with 22 members in favor and one against.

The next reform, referred to as "The Linhart Plan," would have had immediate disqualification as the only possible sanction. This reform failed with two votes in favor and 22 against.

Linhart expressed strong opposition to "The Tool Box."

"I think it's wholly inadequate," he said. "If you're too dumb to follow the rules, you should be disqualified."

The third reform on sanctions, which passed 22-2, allows candidates charged with violating election rules a hearing with the Elections Commission.

The final reforms dealt with the appeals process. The first change placed the director of student activities on the Elections Commission as a non-voting member. It passed with a vote of 22-2.

A reform that made the vice chair of the Judicial Board (J-Board) the tie-breaking vote on the commission in the event of a tie passed despite opposition from BSG President DeRay McKesson '07.

"I don't think our relationship with the J-Board is strong enough," he said.

McKesson was not allowed to vote on the election rules, since the BSG president can only vote on constitutional amendments.

The reform passed, pending approval from the J-Board, with a vote of 15-7, with one member abstaining.

Campaigning, which will be monitored by the Elections Commission, begins a week from today. The commission is made up of the graduating members of the BSG Officer Team, including Dorkey, Joe Brazzi '06, and Shrinidi Mani '06; the chair of the J-Board, David Ng '06; and Director of Student Activities Allen Delong.

Overall, the members of BSG felt the reforms were a success.

"I think the election rules are really tightening things up in a way that needed to be done," said Vice President of BSG Affairs Dustin Brooks '08. "We plugged the vagaries that had become apparent in other elections."

"These are the best election rules we've had," McKesson said.

James D. Baumberger contributed to this report.

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# College administrators conceptualize a new 'state-of-the-art' fitness center to replace Watson

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total of 4,560 square feet of space, with 1,930 square feet for fitness machines on the south side of the building and 2,630 square feet for free weights on the north side, according to Bradley. It was built in 1995.

NESCAC's top-three main fitness centers in size—not including multipurpose spaces—belong to Middlebury College, Amherst College, and Wesleyan University, with 9,200 square feet, 8,000 square feet, and 7,500 square feet, respectively. Bowdoin's current center is third to last, only above those of Hamilton College and Connecticut College with 3,000 square feet and 2,900 square feet, respectively.

"We conceptualize a renovation of the west side of Morrell Gym, including where the coaches' offices and the old squash courts are," said Bradley.

"The ground floor of that side of the gym is 7,350 square feet, which would readily accommodate the projected needs for the cardio equipment—3,350 square feet—and the free weights—4,000 square feet. Upstairs there is 10,500 square feet of space [in the old squash courts]. We propose to use 7,500 of this for the new coaches' offices and create two new multipurpose spaces of 1,575 square feet each."

"Once we have some funds committed, the next step will be to select an architect and design the spaces," Bradley said.

Asked if he is pleased with the current status of the Watson Fitness

Center, Director of Athletics Jeff Ward's answer consisted of just one word: "No."

Ward said a new fitness center "would have to be many things to many people...so students, staff, and faculty can choose how and when to work out in an environment that encourages them to come back." That would include enough aerobic equipment and free weights for an entire team plus others, and a room for martial arts and other activities, said Ward.

He also indicated that he would

*"People come to Bowdoin for the community, not the facilities...the reason a new fitness center would be built is because of the high student need, not for admissions reasons."*

Jeff Ward  
Director of Athletics

like to see a new fitness center have a big enough area so there are open spaces, but enough visual barriers to offer some privacy. Ward said fitness centers like the one at Middlebury College are too wide open and do not offer enough privacy for those who may be concerned about people staring.

Ward, who served on the building committee with Bradley, said, "It is clear [building a new fitness center] has strong institutional support."

He noted that support is nothing new.

"A new fitness center was, I believe, on one of the earliest lists

for the capital campaign," he said.

Asked if he thinks the current fitness center might discourage certain prospective students or athletes from coming to Bowdoin, Ward said that would be very hard to judge.

"People come to Bowdoin for the community, not the facilities...The reason a new fitness center would be built is because of the high student need, not for admissions reasons," he said.

Support for a new fitness center is indeed highest with current students.

"There is definitely a consensus among the student body that Bowdoin needs to revamp and enlarge its gym," said junior Emma Cooper-Mullin.

"I would like to see more free weights and more treadmills," said Maria Nucas '09. Cooper-Mullin added that the current challenge is "the general lack of space, and the problem of sharing the gym with many sports teams."

"I would like to see more ellipticals...Also, some of the weight machines really need to be replaced. You can't do a bicep curl on one of them without it squeaking like crazy," said Sara Afienko '08.

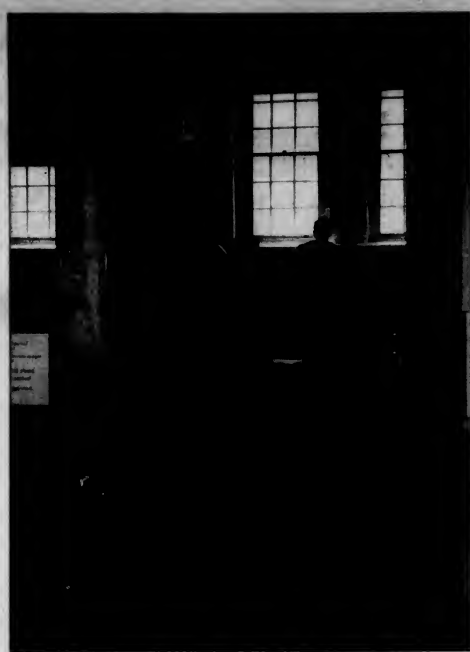
Bowdoin Student Government Vice President of Facilities William Donahoe '08 said he "prioritized a new gym at the February trustees meeting in the Facilities and Properties Committee" when they asked him what was the most pressing facilities need for students.

"[The trustees] are well aware that a new facility is needed and are very willing to get a new one. They just need to find the money to start planning," he said.

There is hope, however, that before a new fitness center is built some improvement may be made to the current situation.

"We are trying to get more treadmills in the meantime," said Mills.

More free weights have been added to the Farley Field House



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Some students hope to see more ellipticals in the new fitness center, which could boast 3,350 square feet for cardio equipment alone.

multipurpose room this year and have received positive reviews, according to Ward.

As for the recent surge in treadmill break-downs, Ward attributed most of that to a recent electrical circuit problem that may have been spurred on by nearby construction for the new performance hall. He said 90 percent of the recent problems have been because of the electrical problems, not the machines, and that he is confident the problem has been solved.

Donahoe assured the Orient that once conclusive plans are in place for a new fitness center, there will

be a focus group and "town hall" so students can express their preferences.

What could happen to the space the Watson Fitness Center currently occupies after a new center is constructed is yet to be determined.

"While we have not yet made any decisions...we have talked in general terms about the possibility of moving the bookstore to where the current fitness center is and using the vacated bookstore space for student organization spaces," said Bradley.

Anne Riley contributed to this report.



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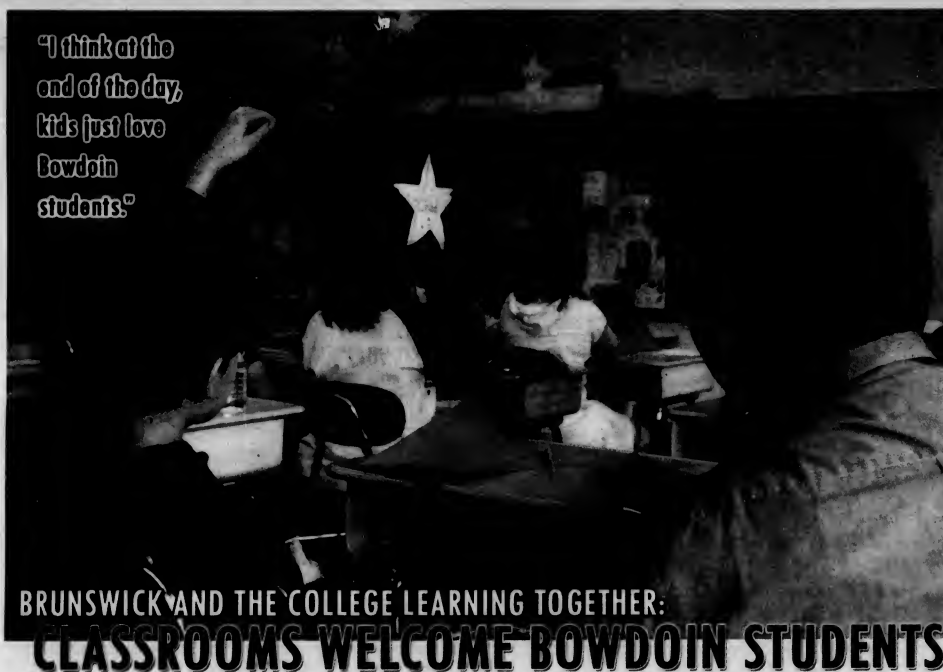
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# FEATURES



by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

Though Longfellow School has been privileged with a Facebook group in its honor entitled "I hate the perpetual recess school," waking Bowdoin students up in the wee hours of the afternoon is not the school's only connection to the College.

Every semester, Bowdoin students volunteer at Longfellow and other

schools in Brunswick as part of community service programs and courses.

Although students volunteer in school districts from Topsham to Portland, there is a particularly strong element of participation in Brunswick. Many of these Bowdoin students participate in a variety of mentoring and tutoring programs run out of the Community Service Resource Center (CSRC).

One such program is Bear Buddies. Every weekend, Bowdoin

students spend an afternoon with children who have various physical and mental disabilities. The program has been running for several years and has almost 30 volunteers.

Meredith Segal '08 has participated in Bear Buddies for two years.

"The program offers children the opportunity to participate in a wide range of activities that might not otherwise be open to them," she said. "During the hour and a half a week of Bear Buddies, all of the children in

the program are just normal kids. Regardless of the disabilities that the children have, the Bowdoin students relate to them exactly as they would to younger siblings or children without special needs."

Another popular mentoring program is Lunch Buddies. Organized through Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bath/Brunswick, Bowdoin students are matched with students from

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At Jordan Acres Elementary School in Brunswick, fifth-grader Tanner Coffin raises his hand in math class. Bier Kreichuk '08, who works with kids at Jordan Acres as a part of his Education 203 class, looks on.

Drawn by: The Bowdoin Orient

## Beware dangers of performance-enhancing drugs

Supplements, including amino acids and creatine, are unregulated by FDA; steroids can cause heart failure

### Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff:  
Are sports performance-enhancing drugs dangerous? What about other body-building supplements? —J.P.



Dear J.P.: It is estimated that 40 percent of the U.S. population is currently using some kind of dietary supplements and that over 80 percent have tried one some time in the past. People are currently spending over \$18 billion per year on supplements. Seems like a lot!

But is it a problem?

Certainly, many dietary supplements are simply just vitamins. Though generally unnecessary for

those who eat a reasonable diet, if taken in recommended doses, multivitamins are unlikely to cause any harm.

What about the sports supplements, specifically? Protein supplements, especially "amino acids" preparations, are very popular for muscle building and body sculpting. Creatine is a popular "performance enhancer," heralded for "muscle refueling" by boosting cellular ATP production. "Weight gainers" supply extra calories for rapid weight gain and bodybuilding. Do they work? Are they dangerous?

Although they cannot claim activity in the treatment of any specific medical condition or disease, all dietary supplements are allowed to claim an "effect" on bodily structure or function.

The federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is not required by law to review evidence of the efficacy or safety of dietary supplements. In fact, there is no legal requirement that these claims

meet the same scientific standards required even for conventional foods.

Protein supplements? There is no evidence whatsoever that they offer any advantage over dietary protein. Amino acids? Even GNC acknowledges that there is "little scientific support and/or minimal health benefit" to taking them.

Creatine? Over 30 percent of people who take it do not even retain it in their muscle tissues long enough to utilize it. Studies have shown, though, that taken for five to six days by sedentary or moderately active people, supplemental creatine will improve performance and delay muscle fatigue during short-duration, high-intensity exercise like weight lifting. Wow! All that for only a couple of dollars per day!

And the side effects and risks of supplemental creatine? Muscle cramping and diarrhea are not uncommon. There have been reports of kidney damage from cre-

atine supplementation. Certainly, people with kidney disease should not risk taking it.

And then, of course, there are steroids, now produced and marketed by an enormous, world-wide industry (just Google "performance-enhancing steroids," and you'll see what I mean). Anabolic steroids are available in a wide array of forms and doses. They can be injected intramuscularly, ingested in pill or liquid form, or absorbed through topical creams. Some are "recommended" in 12-day cycles, others in combination to offset side-effects. Anabolic steroids will likely help you build up muscle mass, but put most simply and clearly, they are illegal and dangerous.

Side-effects range from severe acne to mood swings, from unwanted fat redistribution, facial hair growth, and voice changes in women to breast development, testicular shrinkage, and impotence in men. Steroid abuse can also lead to

liver failure, heart failure, and stroke.

What's the bottom line here? Steroids should never be used as a sports "supplement."

Never.

Other dietary supplements may also be unsafe. The efficacy and safety of most supplements are neither assured nor monitored. The supplement industry is essentially unregulated and preys successfully and profitably on our insecurities, anxieties, and fantasies—insecurities, anxieties, and fantasies that industry marketing strategies help to create and perpetuate.

Fundamentally, J.P., with very few exceptions, supplements are simply unnecessary.

A balanced and nutritional diet, and a well-planned training program, can safely and predictably help you reach your goals.

Be well!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center

# Programs connect Bowdoin students with Brunswick public school kids

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Longfellow, Coffin, and Woodside Elementary school in Topsham, and have lunch with them on a weekly basis.

Jonah Popp '06 noted that while it can be challenging to deal with a nine-year-old's attention span, he believes that Lunch Buddies provides kids with many benefits.

"They get attention and a dependable friend, think about college and their future, have some fun, and develop social skills," he said.

There is also a mentoring program for "at risk" students at Brunswick Junior High (BJH). There is not currently a mentoring program at Brunswick High School (BHS), but BHS Community Service Coordinator Rick Wilson hopes to see one soon.

"It's something that I'd like to increase," he said. "The future of collaborations between the high school and the College are definitely rich with potential."

Many Bowdoin students also participate in tutoring programs run through the CSRC. One such program is Book Buddies. The program was initiated by Julia O'Brien-Merrill, an English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher at the Coffin School, when she recognized a need in her students and called upon the College for help. Over a dozen Bowdoin students are paired with an English Language Learner and read with them weekly.

"I teach English to students who have another language in their background." I began to think about how wonderful it would be to connect these students with a native speaker of their language with Bowdoin students who were right around the corner.

"The primary goal of the program is to have the students share the joy of reading," she added.

Another major tutoring program is America Reads and Counts. Bowdoin has been participating in the federally funded work-study program since 1998. Tutors spend four to eight hours a week tutoring in schools and receive payment for their work. America Reads tutors focus on literacy skills; America Counts tutors focus on math skills. In Brunswick, there are tutors placed in Coffin, Hawthorne, and BJH.

Susan Dorn, the director of the CSRC, sees the America Reads and

Counts program as "a win-win solution." Students get to do their work study while giving something back to the community at the same time.

Catrina Cartagena '07, who has been tutoring with the program for two years, agreed.

"I love tutoring Brunswick students. It's great getting to know the students, you really feel like you see a different side of Brunswick and are making a strong connection to the community," she said. "Plus, the students and teachers, at least in my experience, are so appreciative of your work, so you really feel as though you are giving back to the community."

Dorn sees the relationship between Bowdoin and the Brunswick public schools as a result of these programs as a positive one.

"Teachers and principals say, whatever it takes to get Bowdoin students to our schools, we will do it," she said.

Some issues do arise with scheduling differences. The Brunswick school schedule includes breaks in February and April, while Bowdoin students have breaks for much of January and March, and leave in May before Brunswick schools end the school year.

Rose Kent '06, a volunteer and student teacher, highlighted the difficulty.

"It's hard to maintain continuity," she noted. "It's hard to build relationships with individual kids if you're not there on a very regular basis, and those individual relationships are what make the experience the most rewarding."

Another way that Bowdoin students participate is through courses offered in the Department of Education. Several courses require students to spend time observing and participating in the public schools.

Students in Contemporary American Education (Education 101) are required to observe half a day in a local school. In Educating All Children (Education 203), students observe and participate as they spend 24 hours in a nearby school.

Ian Yaffe '09, a student in Educating All Children, said, "I am working with the kids in some way or

another the entire time. It helps some kids get more individual attention."

The Department of Education also helps Bowdoin students obtain spots student teaching at BHS. There, they spend five days a week and follow the local school schedule.

Kent, who is student teaching in biology classes at BHS, said, "I think that my students really benefit from seeing a younger person who is excited about their subject area and who wants to teach and is choosing to teach."

In past years, environmental studies and anthropology courses have also been involved in teaching and observing at local schools.

Claudia Searles, a third-grade teacher at Longfellow, said she welcomes Bowdoin students into her classroom.

"They stimulate my creativity as a teacher with their questions and ideas," she said. "They help my children get more attention and feel special."

They keep our class working for the best. They add ideas to our lessons. They model good learning. They inspire us.

Their interaction makes our classroom richer, and we feel much more connected to the whole Bowdoin community through them."

Assistant Professor of Education Doris Santoro Gomez noted, "Field experiences are often cited by students as one of the most significant occasions for learning."

In some cases, these opportunities have lasting effects on the volunteer.

Eileen Hunt '93 volunteered at the Coffin School during her time at Bowdoin. The three years she spent working with students there inspired her love for teaching. She is now a professor of political science at Notre Dame.

"It was a really nice experience, my fondest memory of college. It really helped me a lot," she said.

Not all of the connections between Bowdoin and the Brunswick schools are through official programs. Some BHS students audit courses at Bowdoin. Quinby House recently had a fundraiser, the proceeds of which went to promoting art in local ele-



Mike Ardoino, The Bowdoin Orient

A number of students at the College work with kids at nearby Longfellow Elementary School on Longfellow Street.

mentary schools. Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley teaches a French class at Longfellow once a week with Stephen Carlson '07.

Professor of Government Allen Springer, who is on leave this semester, was a member of the Brunswick School Board for six years.

"I think there was a genuine sense that they appreciated the fact that someone from the College was willing to play a role and take on responsibility," he said. "The more links between Bowdoin faculty and their kids and students and the community as a whole, the better."

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Nancy Jennings sees the relationship as something that can be very beneficial to the town and to Bowdoin students.

"They get interested, smart, capable people to be involved in their projects," she said. "It's great to have someone that's eager and committed to come volunteer."

She also sees it as a potential learning experience for the volunteers.

"I think they have a lot of perspec-

tives that Bowdoin students can gain from," Jennings noted.

She said she hopes the College and the Brunswick schools have a reciprocal relationship.

"I would hate it if Bowdoin students went in as if they have all the answers, as opposed to having a mutual learning experience," she said.

Dorn agreed, adding that she sees the relationship as a partnership, with neither side overpowering the other.

"The College is a great resource for the community," she added. "The strengths are obvious: Bowdoin students have talents; Bowdoin students are role models. I think at the end of the day, kids just love Bowdoin students."

Director of Student Activities and the Smith Union Allen Delong challenged students to take their experiences in the Brunswick schools and community one step further.

"Ask yourself: what are the goals of my work? What is my follow-up?" he said. "What is my commitment?"

## Remembering names, Pat brings smiles to Moulton

by Maura Cooper  
CONTRIBUTOR

Anyone who is courageous enough to brave the crowd of students filing into Moulton Union at lunchtime is also lucky enough to be greeted by Pat Pye.

After 32 years of service to the college, in which she checks students into the dining hall, Pye has become a cherished member of the Bowdoin community through a combination of her friendly smile, extensive collection of Polar Bear sweatshirts (she has 25), and her amazing ability to greet the majority of students by name as they walk through the door. Few students however, are aware of Pye's personal history, the nature of her connection to the Bowdoin community, and exactly how she became so astute at learning the names of hundreds of Bowdoin students.

After many years spent raising her four children, Pye joined Bowdoin in 1974 once her youngest daughter entered school. At that time, Moulton Union served as the student union, with a post office, dining hall, pub, and grill. Pye worked for 14 years as a cashier in the evening at the grill. When Moulton Union began to close earlier, she became responsible for checking students in at lunch and dinnertime.

For years Pye checked students' names off a list as they walked through the door. Although this was more a difficult process than using the current electronic system, the pen-and-paper method helped sharpen her ability to remember students' names so that today she is still able to personally greet students (and can even recognize the children of students that she checked-in 30 years ago!).



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Pat Pye has worked at Moulton Union for 32 years.

Pye has lived in Bath, Maine, for the majority of her life, where she raised four children and is now a grandmother to six. In the summer, in addition to watching her beloved Red Sox, she pursues her love of gardening by working part-time for a landscaping company. Pye is also an avid fan of the Bowdoin Men's Hockey Team and gives hockey players a "good luck" hug on game days as they enter Moulton Union.

Although Pat officially retired seven years ago, she continues to work at Moulton Union for the lunchtime shift because she thinks that "the students here are the greatest kids on earth," and she believes that they help keep her young.

Bowdoin students are equally appreciative of the effect that Pye has on the college community. On a daily basis, Pye demonstrates to the student body the importance of treating others with kindness and courtesy, and, through her warm personality and enthusiasm, she has become a valued member of the Bowdoin community.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Bier Kraichak '08 works with fifth-grader Tanner Coffin on finding the area of a triangle in a math class at Jordan Acres elementary school in Brunswick. Kraichak spends time in Jordan Acres school for his Education 203 class.

## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

## Swing-dancing students jump, jive, wail



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Tom Cook '09 and Sarah Podmaniczky '08 participate in the second of four Thursday night swing dancing lessons sponsored by the Polar Bear Swing Club at Ladd House.

## Soulive to lift spirits with jazz in Gym

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

Soulive isn't going to let its audience take jazz sitting down. The trio of Alan and Neal Evans and Eric Krasno proclaims its brand of music to be "jazz that you can dance to," which will fill Bowdoin's Sargent Gym today at 9 p.m.

Sandip Patel '07 and Curtis Isacke '07, co-chairs of the Activities Board committee that booked Soulive for its Bowdoin concert, discussed their first impressions of the band and how its fusion of jazz and hip-hop works.

"It's not coffeehouse style," Patel said. "It's classical, but caters to a younger crowd with hip-hop."

Patel first heard of Soulive at his high school in New York, where he attended the same school as famed jazz guitarist John Scofield's children. Soulive collaborated with Scofield in its early years, gaining exposure and learning from the man that All Music Guide describes as "one of the 'big three' of current jazz guitarists, along with Pat Metheny and Bill Frisell."

Before collaborating with Scofield on the 2001 album "Do In Something," the Evans brothers and Krasno were part of jam bands Moon Boot Lovers and the Greyboy

Allstars, respectively. The three formed Soulive in the early 90s when all of them were under the age of 25, making up an eclectic mix of music featuring the organ, guitar, drums, and brass.

In regards to the new form of jazz that Soulive plays, Isacke said, "Jazz people can appreciate their musicianship, but Soulive is at a different level."

Dan Wilson '06, a veteran drummer of the Bowdoin campus who plays with the Jim Weeks Philharmonic, among other ensembles, also emphasized that Soulive can't be classified as strictly jazz.

"The roots of the music certainly do come out of jazz, in the sense that it's instrumental and involves a lot of improvised solos, but since they have a great deal of funk, soul, hip-hop, rock, dance, and R&B influence, it's pretty far from what I would consider straight ahead jazz," said Wilson.

Wilson also described Neal Evans as having "as Ely Delman will tell you, the funkiest right bass drum foot on the planet," and Patel stated that the band's brass section also adds to the music's appeal.

"The brass section makes the instrumental more fast-paced and the

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## 2006: peeking over the cinematic horizon

by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST

It's around this time of year, after the Oscars have passed and the depressing repetitiveness of the current slate of movies seems inescapable, when studios announce their slate of films for the coming year. And most of their release dates are far in the distance, but at least this will give us all something to look forward to as we trudge through Mel's continuing descent toward insanity in "Apocalypse" and Mr. Scientology himself in "MI:3," with MI now standing for Maximum Irritation.

Unlike those hacks, these auteurs don't stay safely in their comfort zones, but instead choose to tackle challenging material and take risks. Although some of these films may not work, it is always preferable to fail at something difficult than to continue to make boring, repetitive, Oscar-begging vehicles. So when you're going to the theater, put your money where your gut is and support original, interesting films; you'll be glad you did.

A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION [June]—director: Robert Altman

Another film featuring a sprawling cast, including Meryl Streep, Tommy Lee Jones, and Kevin Kline; recent honorary Oscar recipient Altman always knows what to do with a big cast. He can keep the performances modulated to the same style and storylines clear without breaking a sweat. The film chronicles the final performance of the longest-running radio program in United States history.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION [September]—director: Christopher Guest

The mad-mocumentarist of "Best in Show" fame is back once again, and this time he's taking on the insanities of the Oscar race. The cast always delivers, with Catherine O'Hara and the hilarious Parker Posey taking lead duties this time around, and while the Academy may not find the humor in it, be sure that Guest will.

MARIE-ANTOINETTE [October]—director: Sofia Coppola

Coppola's "Lost in Translation" achieved great success, and here Kirsten Dunst stars as the fickle Queen of France. It appears to be a highly stylized historical piece, which may prove divisive, but its sheer originality will be more than worth your time.

VOLVER [October]—director: Pedro Almodóvar

Spain's premier director is at it again, with advanced praise preceding this film about a matriarch's ghost. Almodóvar's films are always worth your time, and his long-awaited return to working with Carmen Maura, a former muse with whom he had a falling out, could be magical.

LITTLE CHILDREN [November]—director: Todd Field

The director of "In the Bedroom" returns for his sophomore outing, and success will largely hinge on his ability to sidestep the clichés of this suburban abuse scandal. When you have Patrick Wilson and Kate Winslet playing the leads, success is much more likely; however, this could even be the role that gets Kate the Great her long overdue Oscar.

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## BellaMafia knocks off first concert

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

An overflow of talent led to the creation of a second women's a cappella group on campus. Its formation instilled a healthy balance to the a cappella community, rounding out the numbers to two co-ed, two all male, and two all female groups.

BellaMafia, which performed for the first time on March 31, as the opening act for the Meddiebumpsters, was formed because there was the feeling that if there was talent yet to be employed, someone should find a way to do it.

The auditions in the early fall for the five existing a cappella groups revealed only a slice of the female voices available. Many people mentioned that there was still a good amount of unclaimed talent to be had.

From conversations with members of the existing groups, Aurora Kurland '09 gathered that "There was a lot of talent floating around out there."

With this in mind, Boka singer Jessie Ferguson '08, Ursus Versus singer Julia Bond '09, and Kurland decided to see what sort of talent would show up should they hold their own set of auditions. The turnout was strong and intriguing enough for the group to begin practicing.

BellaMafia is made of singers with a wide range of experience, some never having sung a cappella before and others being veterans of the genre. Bond and Ferguson arrange the pieces and make an effort to experiment with a "different style of female percussion," said Bond.

BellaMafia is young, not only in its recent creation, but also because it is made up entirely of first years and sophomores, 13 to be exact. This is advantageous because it gives the women time to grow together as a

group, and in two years they are likely to have developed a strong sense of their dynamic performers. Conversely, their youth could be a drawback from the perspective of experience, but their recent performance suggested that these ladies are not having trouble with that difficulty.

The group began practicing last fall, starting with once-a-week practices; the girls were unsure what form the group was going to take on and how serious an endeavor it would prove to be. Also, they felt that it was important for the members to get to know each other. By the time they felt they had truly established themselves as a compilation of voices, winter break interrupted their progress.

It is evident that the women made the serious choice to commit themselves to become a viable a cappella group on

campus, but in terms of the dynamic of their performance, serious is no where on the list.

Their interest is to present themselves as "upbeat and energetic," said Bond.

The group was given opportunities to perform earlier on this semester, but they wanted to wait until they were at their best before presenting themselves to the Bowdoin community.

It was evident that the student body was curious to see what BellaMafia was all about, as the chapel was full and many came explicitly to see the ladies sing.

"It was really exciting to debut on this campus because we were so well received," said Bond.

BellaMafia will be performing for Faculty Appreciation week on April 14.



Whymie Martin-Sackett, The Bowdoin Orient

BellaMafia, Bowdoin's newest female a cappella group, debuted last Friday night in the Chapel.



# Yuengling and Sam share middle of road

by Carter Thomas  
COLUMNIST

**SAM ADAMS WHITE ALE** — (\$7.99 for a six-pack at Hannaford).

As the beautiful month of April unfolds in this great state, I sit and ponder two of my biggest life questions: when will the spring ales begin to be brewed and, more importantly, why are there three inches of snow on the ground? Luckily, Sam Adams beat most other breweries to the punch, delivering its seasonal drink in the form of a Witbier, a Belgian style white ale. Like most white ales, this beer pours a bit cloudy, definitely translucent but by no means transparent. The color is actually more of an off white, packing in flashes of gold and deeper shades of amber than I am used to seeing in most white ales (specifically Allagash). The pour was a bit uneventful, as are most other brews from Sam Adams, because of the head's easy predictability—it receded to a flat top without any sort of noteworthy speed or sloth. This beer's taste was rather interesting, combining a splashy citrus flavor with the standard wheat body of a white ale, all while preserving the taste of malts on the sweeter end of the spectrum. I must admit, however, the finish of the beer leaves much to be desired through its stringy, almost empty feel. Like most other Sam Adams' beers, the White Ale showcased Sam himself on the front holding up a goblet so as to toast the drinker for buying his historic beer, combining a color scheme of sky blue in the background, forest green on the fringes, and staunch white lettering for the names. I think it is very interesting that Sam decided to use a White Ale for its spring brew, seeing as the traditional season for white is undoubtedly winter while spring is typically associated with

green and other pastels. Perhaps he knew that "spring" in the northeast typically just means cold rain and snow, playing us all for fools while he concocts other subtle ways to laugh all the way to the pub. This is a good beer, though not one of my favorites. *My Scores: Taste: 3.0/5 Label: 2.7/5 Benefit/Cost ratio: 2.8/5.*

**YUENGLING TRADITIONAL LAGER** — (\$7.69 for a six-pack, available at Uncle Tom's).

I was first exposed to this lager during my Spring Break trip to Florida, cracking the green bottle as I sat by the pool with the other 70 somethings who live there year round. My first impression was a good one—the Yuengling Brewing Company made no mistake to broadcast that this beer is a lager when making the label, plastering the type of beer on the label in almost the same size font as the name of the beer. Like most other true lagers, this

Pennsylvania-based beer pours a perfect gold color and has a head that dissipates quickly. The carbonation is pretty good, though I noticed it was harder to take bigger gulps out of the bottle than other, tamer brews. The finish of this beer is fun, giving the very subtle bite of a lager while tickling my taste buds with the presence the full bodied taste delivers—a terrific combination for any drinker's mouth. Indeed this is a good "outdoor" beer because it combines the flavor profile necessary to compliment grilled meats and spring air, regardless of whether you are on the beach or on the Quad. One of the most shocking points of interest for this beer is the fact that it comes in a green bottle, a telltale sign that the drinking experience may be a bit shady. But after drinking this beer, I think I may have to start judging these beers not by the color of their glass but by the content of their cold, bubbly character. *My scores: Taste: 3.6/5 Label: 3.0/5 Benefit/Cost: 3.3/5.*

## WBOR 91.1 FM DJs OF THE WEEK

Dave Wilkinson '67 and LC Van Savage

*What is the best album ever created?*

**DW:** Of albums produced during my student years, "Freak Out" by the Frank Zappa and the Mothers of Invention. During my student years, this was something completely different. It was the one that said we were living in different times.

**LVS:** All the albums with the music of George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin, Jules Stein, Mel Torme, Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, early Barbara Streisand and all the great duet albums of the '90s. And any albums or single made by the great Ray Charles.

*What's the best band to see live?*

**DW:** It's been so long since I've gone to live concerts. Do videos count? In that case, I'd go with Rage Against the Machine.

**LVS:** Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, Glen Miller, Lionel Hampton, Stan Kenton, Cab Calloway, Spike Jones, Louis Armstrong, and all the bands at the Cotton Club.

*What song pumps you up?*

**DW:** "No Woman No Cry" by Bob Marley.

**LVS:** Anything sung by Mel Torme, Ella Fitzgerald, Helen O'Connell, Rosemary Clooney, Jack Jones, Vic Damone, or Tony Bennett.

*What song brings you down?*

**DW:** "Bowdoin Beats."

**LVS:** All the stupid so-called "songs" today that scream and shout about killing and murder and rape.

*If you were the dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?*

**DW:** I would not be a dictator of anything. As an American, I do not believe in dictators. But, the fact that you pose such a question reveals our cultural megalomania. I say, let the people make their own choice.

**LVS:** I would hope to be a benevolent dictator and my national anthem would be "Be Kind to Your Web-Footed Friends, For a Duck Could Be Somebody's Mother"...In other words, sings the praises of the simple Golden Rule.

*If you were on stage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?*

**DW:** "Go home and make your own music."

**LVS:** "Please stop all that insane screaming. It's not good for your vocal chords and it's bad for my ears. Shut up, sit down, and let's hear some real music."

*Wilkinson can be heard on "The Howlin' Hour," 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Wednesdays, followed by Van Savage's "Senior Moments" from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. on WBOR 91.1 FM.*

# Paterson, Ikeda focus on form

## Senior Portraits

Fourth in a series

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

This semester, 16 seniors are presenting art exhibitions signifying the culmination of their artistic careers at Bowdoin. The Orient interviewed Graham Paterson and John-Mark Ikeda, whose honors exhibitions are currently on view in the Visual Arts Center (VAC).

**The Bowdoin Orient:** Describe your senior art project. What inspired it, and how did you execute it?

**Graham Paterson:** Each piece of art has a different source of inspiration. Sometimes it is a shape or form which intrigues me, other times it is a particular emotion I am trying to convey.

**John-Mark Ikeda:** My work is first and foremost inspired by hair. It has since progressed into a series of sleep figures, but hair remains the emphasis of my work.

**BO:** What were your goals for your project? Did you meet those goals? Did they change during the process?

**GP:** My goal all along was to share the art I have created over the past four years with the greater



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

"My work is first and foremost inspired by hair," said Ikeda.

Bowdoin community. So far, I think the show has accomplished that.

**JMI:** I didn't have a specific goal, but rather I was interested in developing a cohesive body of work that related to my exploration of hair. As I progressed my goals changed from only representing hair, to putting recognizable figures in my pieces. I suppose if there was any goal that I had for my project it was to create pieces that used realistic lines and graduations to create abstract moments in time.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

"Sometimes it is a shape or form which intrigues me," said Paterson, "other times it is particular emotion that I am trying to convey."

# Portuguese wines on the cheap

by Hillary Matlin  
COLUMNIST



When asked about the wine of Portugal, one generally remembers that Portugal gives its name to port wine and if you read a lot of Austen, Bronte and Dickens that Madeira (one of the small resort islands) also produces a wine as well. What one generally doesn't know is that Portugal is the seventh largest producer of wine globally, which is quite impressive considering that it is roughly the same size as Maine. The breadth of production is phenomenal; with over 500 varieties of grapes, you could drink a different bottle every day for the rest of your lifetime and never taste them all. Funny enough, for all their production, there are relatively few Portuguese wines available to buy in the States. Below, two that I've drank lately that you can track down for your own pleasure.

**BROADBENT VINHO VERDE** (\$10.99 at Black Sheep Wines)

Vinho Verde is an exclusively Portuguese wine. The word Verde (pretty easy for you romance language people) means green and refers to the fact that the grapes are not allowed to reach a high sugar content, and therefore do not require an aging process. This particular bottle was a joy to drink. One of my tasters described the initial taster as "sour, but good. I'm looking

*As the wine began to warm, the flavor grew sweeter, evoking thoughts of bananas still a day from being ripe.*

for a word that describes when something's sour, but not sour..." I suggested "tart," and she immediately agreed.

The first flavor reminded us of Granny Smith Apples. As the wine began to warm, the flavor grew sweeter, evoking thoughts of bananas still a day from being ripe. The major problem I had with this wine was the height of the bottle. The bottle is significantly

taller than most, making it very difficult for me to wedge it into my fridge so I could appropriately chill it. Because of the grape, it is recommended that one serve Vinho Verde at a cooler temperature than other white wines. However, the design of the label, which was painted by the maker's four-year-old niece, is rather adorable. This is good picnic wine and also is very easy to drink alone as an aperitif.

**ENCOSTA DA ESTRELA 2001 DÃO (TINTO)** (\$8.99 at Provisions)

This is a red wine from the aptly named Dão region of Portugal (in the northwest of the country for our friends playing at home). My tasters and I found this wine to be quite shockingly different. It is a very deep wine, tasting of dried plums and really heavy spices. Oddly enough, it is not very thick in the mouth for so much heaviness. It isn't very tannic either. The wine needs some food. For some reason, I thought gorgonzola pasta when I drank it. I think it could stand up to the pungent cheese. This is definitely not a "I'm just going to have a glass of wine before dinner" wine. The bottle is surprisingly lightweight and seems smaller than a bottle, but it is in fact full-sized. In summation, a lot of wine for very little money.

## 2006 promises a diverse array of films

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**DREAMGIRLS** [December]—director: Bill Condon

In the wake of "Chicago," the studios eagerly greenlit a number of musicals, but poor directorial choices doomed them all to failure. Condon, however, has musical experience, as well as the prestige middle-ground sensibilities to make the material work. It tells the story of a group loosely based on Diana Ross and the Supremes, and the behind-the-scenes drama, with great music including one song that can bring down the house.

**INLAND EMPIRE** [TBD]—director: David Lynch

Lynch is one of the few directors who deserves to have an adjective featuring his name. "Blue Velvet" put him

on the map in the '80s, and "Mulholland Drive" continued the tradition of Lynchian insanity on screen. As per usual there's very little plot info, but once it premieres at Cannes in May, the debate on what's actually occurring on screen will begin; you really have to see his films to believe them.

**THE FOUNTAIN** [TBD]—director: Darren Aronofsky

It has been six years since "Requiem for a Dream," and finally Aronofsky returns to chronicle Ann Rynd's epic novel, taking place over 1,000 years; this practically defines artistic challenge and will be extremely difficult to pull off, but has the ability to be transcendent. The film stars Aronofsky's wife and recent Oscar-winner Rachel Weisz, Hugh Jackman, and Ellen Burstyn.

## Student Art Union goes mobile



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

This mobile was recently added to the Art Union, located on the second floor of Smith Union.

## Band to jazz up Friday night crowd

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rhythms heard in hip-hop are brought into jazz," he said.

Soulive also represents a different genre of music than what is commonly found at Bowdoin concerts.

"There was some risk in bringing a jazz group, but we're about bringing different groups," Isacke said. "After we put up posters for the band, right away people were asking for tickets, so it was exciting to have a good response."

The exploration of jazz and hip-hop wrapped up in a jam-band style also excited Wilson.

"There is a large population on campus that is really into more funky jam music, and bands like Soulive," he said. "Unfortunately, this group of students often goes underrepresented on the Bowdoin musical scene, which generally tends to be dominated by indie rock. I think a lot of students, faculty, and community members who are already into this kind of funky music will love the show, but even more importantly, I think a lot of people who go to the concert without a clue about Soulive or this kind of music will have a blast and become immediate fans."

The show at Bowdoin will be no different from other Soulive shows, bringing funk and danceable jazz characteristic of the band.

"Their grooves are just so infectious and make you want to have a good time. It's fun, happy, energetic,

danceable, groove-based, upbeat, funky music, period," said Wilson, who saw the band last summer at a free concert in Prospect Park, Brooklyn.

"People who are into hip-hop and funk will definitely be engaged in the show. Actually, there's not any type of music taste on campus that wouldn't be into Soulive," said Isacke.

Tickets are available at the Smith Union Info Desk (\$5 with Bowdoin I.D., \$7 Bowdoin friends, \$10 public).

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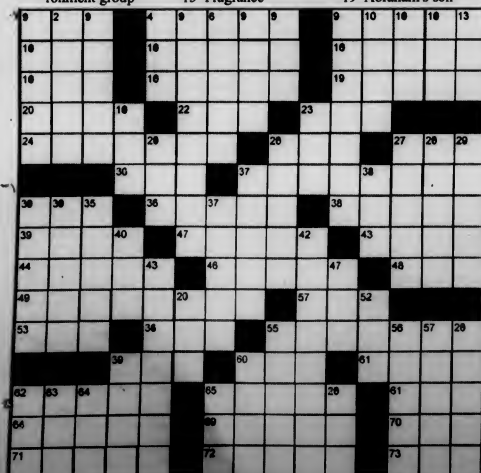
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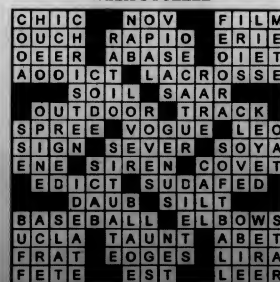


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### SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



# SPORTS

## Women's lax takes first loss

by Emily Baird  
CONTRIBUTOR

The women's lacrosse team ended a seven-game winning streak, losing to Tufts 9-8. Despite Tuesday's loss to the 6-0 Jumbos, the team has held onto a fifth-place ranking in the latest DIII National Poll and is poised to have a successful season.

At the half, Tufts led 4-3, only to return to the turf to rapidly score another four goals. Despite the large deficit, the Bears did not give up and managed to halt Jumbo momentum, rallying to recover most of the points. With 7:12 remaining in the game, the Polar Bears scored their final goal, falling one goal short of a tie.

First-year Stephanie Collins-Finn stopped seven shots for Bowdoin. On offense Bobbi Dennison '08, Lyndsey Colburn '08, Taylor White '07, and Jena Davis '06 each contributed one goal. Bridget Keating '08 and Kate Donoghue '07 posted two goals apiece for the Bears.

Although the Bears are no longer undefeated, they opened their season with a string of impressive wins. In Florida, they soundly beat William Smith, Springfield, Buffalo State, and Easton Connecticut. While in New England, the Bears have defeated Wheaton, as well as NESCAC rivals Williams and Amherst.

Having totalled 113 goals collectively this season in eight games, the Bears maintain a powerful offensive presence. The defensive squad is no less impressive, having allowed only 124 shots and 46 goals. Except for the team's most recent loss to Tufts and its narrow victory over Amherst, Bowdoin has won all other games by an impressive margin of four or more goals. And, with only three graduat-



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Grace Moore '08 jostles sticks with an Amherst player in last Saturday's game. The Bears defeated Amherst 10-9.

ing players this year, the team is young, but still powerful.

For Colburn, the team has a great bunch of players.

"We have really eccentric, different characters on the team. Each person brings something, which makes it fun and a learning experience," Colburn said.

Dennison also describes how the team has high expectations, hoping to make it into the NCAA tournament.

Now ranked third in the NESCAC conference behind Middlebury and Tufts, the Polar Bears will face tough competition this weekend with games against Middlebury and Plymouth State.

Boasting a strong 7-1 record so far this season, the Polar Bears are off to a solid start. Although last season's 15-4 finish set a high bar for the Bears, they seem positioned to repeat this success.

The Polar Bears will return to play in Brunswick on April 15 against Trinity.

## Tennis serves up victories

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

Men's tennis picked up two wins this week, soundly defeating Brandeis 7-0 on Tuesday night. The Bears squeaked by Amherst 4-3 over the weekend.

Against Amherst, their first NESCAC match of the season, the Polar Bears grabbed the crucial doubles point with decisive wins at the No. 1 and No. 2 spots.

In the singles, every match was close with four out of six matches going to three sets.

Junior co-captain Sam Bitetti put forth a gritty effort at No. 1 singles spot, defeating top-ranked Josh Rilla in straight sets. Other notable performances included first-year Alex White's three-set victory over Amherst's Michael Mintz at No. 3 singles. Sophomore Noah Buntman had a close three-set battle with Amherst sophomore Jeff Wan, but he came up short in a third-set tiebreaker.

But the day's honors undoubtedly went to sophomore Garrett Gates, who outsmarted, outplayed, and out-hustled his opponent at No. 2 singles.

Gates clashed with junior Lenny Lepner, an amazingly consistent shot maker with a gift for wearing opponents down. Though Gates dropped the first set 6-3, he was undeterred in his effort to beat Lepner at his own game—one of counter punching and long rallies. After winning the second set in a

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## Baseball struggles after Spring Break trip to Florida

by Tom Lakin  
CONTRIBUTOR

Although the Bowdoin College Baseball Team had a great start in Florida, the team has hit a rough patch of late. The squad faced a very tough Trinity Bantams team in Hartford, Connecticut, over the weekend of March 31, dropping two out of three to the Bantams, 8-0 and 5-1, respectively.

The Bears salvaged the series with a confident 11-5 victory last Sunday in the continuation of a game that was stopped in the third inning on Saturday due to inclement weather. They came home to face the University of Southern Maine (USM) on Wednesday, losing a tight one, 6-4, in a game that was again shortened by outdoor conditions.

The Bears came into the first contest with Trinity, ranked second in the NESCAC, but the hot Bowdoin bats that were so dominant in Florida cooled off against a solid Trinity starting rotation. Junior Tim Kiely was brilliant against the Bears in a complete game shutout, finishing the day after, giving up only six hits and striking out nine. By the second inning of the game, the score was already 6-0 in favor of the Bantams,

and not much changed from there on.

The Bantams were led at the plate by sophomore center fielder Chandler Bernard, who had a three-run dinger in the second, while senior center fielder Jared Lemieux battled for the Bears with three hits, including a double. Trevor Powers '06 was tagged with the loss, dropping him to 1-2 for the season.

The second game went much the same way for Bowdoin. The team's bats were silenced by Trinity's senior co-captain Greg Talpey, who tossed a six-hitter and didn't give up a single earned run in a seven-inning performance. The Bantam's junior second baseman Tim Bourdon finished with a pair of RBIs on a single and a sac fly. Trinity's two other runs came by way of singles from sophomore outfielder Steve Dilanian and first-year backstop Sean Kilean, and on a Bowdoin throwing error in the fifth. Ricky Leclerc '06 took the loss for the Bears in four innings of work.

Co-captain Chris McCann '07 was up front about the team's performance in the first two games.

"There's nothing else we can say except that we got beat in the first two games," he said. "They took us out of our style of play."

Senior Will Waldrop started on the hill for the Bears in the third game of the series. Pat Driscoll '08 took over for Bowdoin in the third inning, working a solid five innings and ultimately earning the win. Lemieux was again alive at the plate, getting two hits and scoring three runs. Sluggers Jon Koperniak '07 and Joe Berte '09 posted a pair of hits to the scoreboard for Bowdoin, while Leclerc stroked a three-run homer in the sixth inning that all but sealed the win for Bowdoin.

"I thought the team did an excellent job of regrouping to grab the final game of the series," Powers said. "We knew it was important to keep our chances alive and we did just that."

Senior Chris Bucci echoed Powers' sentiment.

"We went back to playing our brand of baseball in the third game," he said. "The bats came alive, the pitchers threw strikes, and we played good defense behind them."

Unfortunately, things did not go quite as well for the Bears against the USM on Wednesday in a game played in a frigid sleet storm. Waldrop had a decent outing, giving



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Jared Lemieux '06 dives for the base during Wednesday's game against USM.

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## SPORTS SHORTS



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

First-year Jessica Paris takes a swing at the ball in last Saturday's doubleheader against Plymouth State.

## Softball wins four

by Ethan Oberwager  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Softball Team had a busy weekend. The Bears played an afternoon doubleheader against Plymouth State at home. It turned out to be a victorious day, as the Polar Bears swept the Panthers with consecutive 9-1 and 3-1 triumphs.

In the first game, Bowdoin came out hot, scoring five runs in the first inning. Senior shortstop Danielle Chagnon led the assault; she went 3-3 with two doubles and a triple in the game. At third base, first-year Jessica Paris chipped in with a couple of RBIs.

Pitching was also an important ingredient in the Polar Bears' success, as rookie Karen Reni went the distance, allowing only five hits, while striking out six to go along with the

one run permitted. When the game reached the final score in the fifth inning, the contest was called in favor of the second game starting.

The later game did not come as easily for Bowdoin, but it produced the same result. Plymouth State struck first in the second inning for its only run. However, first-year Alison Coleman homered to tie up the contest in the next inning for the Polar Bears. Along with strong pitching from sophomore Brittany Ogden, who amassed 10 strikeouts in an impressive complete game effort, Bowdoin got two more runs in the fifth inning, capitalizing on a Panthers error.

Yesterday, the Bears swept University of Maine-Farmington in a doubleheader, and now hold a 9-11 record. This week, Bowdoin will play doubleheaders against Tufts, Southern Maine, and Colby.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The men's lacrosse team overcame NESCAC rivals Connecticut College and Tufts earlier this week.

## Men's lacrosse improves to 6-2

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Lacrosse Team went 2-0 this week, defeating NESCAC squads Connecticut College and Tufts. The Polar Bears, ranked 17th in the latest DIII national poll, will challenge Wesleyan in Middletown Saturday.

After a scoreless first quarter, Bowdoin jumped out to a 4-1 lead in the second period with goals from junior Kevin Mullins, senior Tom McKinley, and senior Chris Eaton.

The Polar Bears did not relinquish the lead for the rest of the game. Junior goalie Charlie Legg was solid between the pipes, finishing with 16 saves.

ishing with 16 saves.

On Wednesday, the squad took on 16th-ranked Tufts. Despite the pressure of playing in front of over 500 away fans, the Polar Bears fought tenaciously, defeating the Jumbos 9-5.

The squad got key contributions from co-captains, Ford Barker '06 and McKinley, who notched two goals apiece. Junior Matt Chadwick also scored a goal and dished out two assists. For the second-straight game, Legg finished with 16 saves.

Although men's lacrosse is 6-2 overall, the team boasts an undefeated record against NESCAC opponents. The Bears will face Wesleyan away on Saturday.

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## Baseball looks to defeat Tufts

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up only three runs in 5 1/3 innings of work. Mike Hickey also pitched well for USM, giving up only two runs in five innings.

With the game tied at 1-1 going into the fifth inning, Leclerc opened up a one-run lead for the Bears with an RBI single.

Ultimately, the weather was too much for the Bears. A number of walks in the top of the sixth led to a 6-2 USM advantage. The Bears clawed back for two runs in the bottom half of the inning, but it was too little too late as the game was called due to the conditions after only six innings.

It was a painful loss for the Bears, marred by a controversial play at third involving a questionable coach interference call and by the brutal Brunswick weather, acting as a 10th man for USM.

Bowdoin will face a very strong Tufts squad this weekend in a three-game home series. The Bears look to rebound with a string of wins that will put them very much back into contention in the NESCAC.

"I think we will bounce back well this weekend and show our resilience," Powers said.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Will Waldrop started on the mound for the Bears against USM.

# Chagnon looks to coach softball



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Danielle Chagnon '06 is a two-season athlete, playing both soccer and softball.

by Aisha Woodward  
CONTRIBUTOR

With the spring semester nearing its close, many seniors are fighting the urge to "ease up" and enjoy the longer daylight hours and warmer temperatures. But, for senior student-athlete Danielle Chagnon, a softball co-captain, this spring marks the end of an illustrious athletic career at Bowdoin. Chagnon, known as "D" to her teammates, completed her third season on the very successful women's soccer team this fall and is now closing out her fourth and final year as shortstop on the softball team.

During her time on the softball team, Chagnon has collected many accolades for her athleticism and leadership. As a first year, she was named team MVP, an award she received again upon completion of her junior season. Additionally, Chagnon was selected as a second-team All-NESCAC player during her sophomore season and made the first-team as a junior.

"Danielle is the type of athlete that every coach in any sport loves to coach," softball coach Ryan Sullivan said. "She has led our team in almost every offensive category last year and is the catalyst for our offense."

This season has been no different for Chagnon as she has batted an impressive .426 and is currently leading the team with 14 RBIs.

"It is unique to find someone who has a thoughtfulness about team dynamics, perspective on what is working and what needs improvement, and at the same time, individual success," Sullivan added.

Chagnon's teammates readily echo this sentiment.

"D is a great athlete, teammate, and friend. Her love for winning is seen in how she plays, how she trains, and how she motivates her teammates," fellow senior Sonia Weinhaus said.

Megan Wyman '06 agreed.

"D is a fierce competitor who is up for challenges on and off the field. I think her determination for success reflects the personal standards she has set for herself."

Chagnon is quick to shift the focus to her teammates when asked about her contributions to the team.

"It's all about the team," she said. "I love my team. They are my best friends at Bowdoin, and I have so much respect for them. They have great attitudes and are both talented and willing to do whatever it takes to make our team successful."

When not on the softball field, Chagnon enjoys a number of other sports, including squash and soccer. Additionally, she enjoys "sing-alongs" and jamming on the guitar.

Chagnon spent last summer in Quantico, Virginia, where she successfully completed the U.S. Marine Corps Officer Candidate School. This 10-week screening program is a physically and mentally rigorous experience, with attrition rates as high as 50 percent in many platoons. Chagnon's affinity for taking on new experiences and challenges with such success reflects her unique talent and positive attitude.

A native of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, Chagnon played soccer, basketball, and softball at Windsor Locks High School. Looking ahead, Chagnon hopes to return to the high school circuit, this time as a teacher and coach. Wherever she ends up, she is certain softball will continue to play a large role in her life.

"I'll probably play or coach until I'm insane," she said with a chuckle.

With Commencement rapidly approaching, it is clear that Chagnon has left a mark on Bowdoin athletics.

"Her intensity drives her teammates to increase both their personal and team expectations in each moment of the season," senior co-captain Megan Rodgers said. "I'm glad to have had the opportunity to play beside her for four years and watch her grow both on and off the field."

## MEN'S LACROSSE

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Bates	5	0	9	0
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	3	0	6	2
Wesleyan	2	1	7	1
Tufts	2	1	6	2
Middlebury	2	1	3	3
Williams	1	2	3	3
Trinity	1	3	4	3
Amherst	1	3	2	3
Conn. College	1	3	2	5
Colby	0	4	2	5

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/1 at Conn. College **W** 13-6  
W 4/5 at Tufts **W** 9-5

### SCHEDULE

Sa 4/8 at Wesleyan 2:00 P.M.

## MEN'S TENNIS

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	4	0	12	2
Trinity	3	0	8	0
Amherst	2	1	9	3
Bates	2	2	6	5
Williams	1	1	6	2
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	1	1	3	7
Conn. College	0	0	1	2
Wesleyan	0	1	6	2
Colby	0	2	6	5
Hamilton	0	2	0	3
Tufts	0	3	2	5

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/1 v. Amherst **W** 4-3  
Su 4/2 at Trinity **L** 6-1  
Tu 4/4 v. Brandeis **W** 7-0

### SCHEDULE

F 4/7 at Tufts 3:00 P.M.  
Sa 4/8 at Middlebury 2:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S LACROSSE

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	3	0	5	1
Tufts	2	0	6	0
Colby	3	1	8	1
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	2	1	7	1
Wesleyan	2	1	7	2
Amherst	1	1	4	1
Williams	1	2	5	2
Trinity	1	2	4	4
Bates	0	3	4	3
Conn. College	0	4	3	6

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/1 v. Amherst **W** 10-9  
Tu 4/4 v. Tufts **L** 9-8

### SCHEDULE

Sa 4/8 at Middlebury 11:00 A.M.  
Su 4/9 at Plymouth State 1:00 P.M.

## SOFTBALL

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Trinity	0	0	12	3
Tufts	0	0	12	8
Bates	0	0	5	5
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	0	0	9	11
Colby	0	0	2	9

### SCOREBOARD

Su 4/2 v. Plymouth St. **W** 9-1  
Su 4/2 v. Plymouth St. **W** 3-1  
Th 4/6 v. Maine-Farmington **W** 4-1  
Th 4/6 v. Maine-Farmington **W** 4-2

### SCHEDULE

Sa 4/8 at Tufts (2) 1:00 P.M.  
Su 4/9 v. Southern Maine (2) 12:00 P.M.  
W 4/12 v. Colby (2) 3:30 P.M.

## OUTDOOR TRACK

**SCHEDULE**  
Sa 4/8 at Tufts 11:00 A.M.

## BASEBALL

School	NESCAC EAST		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Tufts	3	0	11	4
Trinity	2	1	11	6
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	1	2	10	5
Colby	0	0	5	5
Bates	0	3	4	6

### SCOREBOARD

F 3/31 at Trinity **L** 8-0  
Sa 4/1 at Trinity **L** 5-1  
Sa 4/1 at Trinity **W** 11-5  
Tu 4/4 v. Southern Maine **L** 6-4

### SCHEDULE

F 4/7 v. Tufts 3:00 P.M.  
Sa 4/8 v. Tufts 12:00 P.M.  
Sa 4/8 v. Tufts 3:00 P.M.  
Tu 4/11 v. Thomas 4:00 P.M.

## WOMEN'S TENNIS

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Colby	2	0	7	7
Middlebury	1	0	7	4
<b>BOWDOIN</b>	1	0	4	7
Wesleyan	0	0	6	3
Amherst	0	0	4	2
Williams	0	0	7	4
Hamilton	0	0	8	5
Tufts	0	0	6	5
Conn. College	0	1	6	3
Bates	0	1	4	5
Trinity	0	2	3	8

### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/1 at MIT **L** 5-4  
Su 4/2 at Trinity **W** 9-0  
Th 4/6 v. Brandeis

### SCHEDULE

Su 4/9 at Williams 11:00 A.M.

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.  
Sources: Bowdoin Athletics,  
NESCAC, College Tennis Online

# Men's tennis will face Tufts and Middlebury this weekend

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tiebreaker, Gates was unequivocally in control, dictating points with penetrating ground strokes and volleys.

With the team score knotted at three, Gates and Lepner tied with five games apiece in the third set. Gates played solid tennis, coming to net on several occasions against Lepner's serve. Serving for the match at 6-5 and up 40-love, Gates slammed an ace to give Bowdoin the 4-3 victory. Interestingly, it was Gates who provided the winning team point when the two teams met last year. Down 6-3 in a third set tiebreaker to Michael Mintz, Gates stormed back to take the match for Bowdoin.

On Sunday, the Polar Bears took on Trinity in Hartford in a battle between NESCAC powerhouses. Though there were significant individual victories for the Polar Bears, including a victory over the third-ranked doubles team in the Northeast, courtesy of Bitetti and Gates, Bowdoin failed to test Trinity and fell 6-1.

Playing their third match in four days, the Bears squared off with Brandeis on Tuesday night. Due to rain, play was forced indoors onto the slow-playing courts in Farley.

Bowdoin was fired up and took the doubles point, winning at first and third doubles. Despite three three-set matches, Brandeis never seemed to be in contention. Bowdoin easily took all the singles matches for a final tally of 7-0.

The squad moves to 3-3 against Division III opponents, and plays NESCAC rivals Tufts and Middlebury this weekend. Both matches are away.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Garrett Gates '08 gave Bowdoin an important singles victory against Amherst.

# Celtics can't place all hope in Pierce

by Joel Samen  
STAFF WRITER

The Celtics are a sore topic among Boston fans. After being one of the most dominant teams in the NBA from the late 1950s to the mid-1980s, the team has fallen off the map over the last decade and a half. Since the team's loss in the 1987 finals, the Celtics have not made an appearance in the championship.

This year, the team managed to disappoint yet again. The emergence of young stars like Al Jefferson, Kendrick Perkins, and Delonte West produced an energetic and exciting team at times. However, they simply did not have the talent to put together all of the necessary aspects to become a competitive team. Their current .413 winning percentage was not good enough to earn them a spot in the Eastern Conference playoff bracket, one that boasts Indiana and Philadelphia in the number seven and eight seeds with .486 and .467 winning percentages respectively. The Celtics are a bad team in a bad conference.

Paul Pierce was the strongest veteran player on the team, scoring 26.8 points per game, good for sixth-highest scorer in the league. The other big names on the team, Raef LaFrentz and Wally Szczerbiak, only scored a combined 15.8 points per game, an average far below what a player like Pierce needs out of his scoring partners. Jefferson, Perkins, and West all had solid seasons for young players, but they will need to improve their production next year if the team is to be considered a real contender in the East.

Pierce is clearly the backbone of the team. Over his eight year career, the five-time all-star has averaged 23.4 points per game. He has put together a solid resume while waiting around for the Celtics to build a true contender. The question is, how much longer will he wait around? At 28, he only has so many years left in basketball, and without a serious shot at contention, he might eventually jump ship in search of a situation where he can win a ring. The Celtics need to move soon and build a good team around Pierce while he is still able to produce and is interested in winning in Boston.

The young trio of Jefferson, Perkins, and West could turn into the core that the Celtics need around Pierce. They have all been developing into fine players and, with their relatively cheap contracts, it would be possible to keep them in town for at least a few more years. The team needs these young guys to grow into supporting roles for Pierce because they do not figure to get much help through free agency. With LaFrentz and Szczerbiak earning over \$18 million combined last year, the team has little room to maneuver. Without the possibility of adding a big name free agent, the team needs to develop its talent from within.

The Celtics are running in stall mode. Many talented players have come to Boston since 1986 and left town without a ring. Pierce is among the most gifted of these players, and it would be a travesty

to allow him to retire without earning the title that has eluded him thus far. The Celtics need to somehow get a handle on the situation soon and build a proper team before they lose another great player and the leader of their team. With any luck, their young guns will show up to training camp next season and provide the lift that The Truth needs to get to the promised land.

# Women's tennis loses to MIT

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Women's Tennis Team had mixed results last weekend, dropping a tough match to MIT on Saturday, then rebounding to dismantle Trinity on Sunday.

In doubles against the Engineers, Polar Bears fell 8-5 to their opponents at the No. 1 and No. 3 spots.

The No. 2 team, composed of sophomore Kristen Raymond and junior Christine D'Elia, fought hard and emerged victorious, winning 9-7.

Down 2-1, the Bears needed to win

four of the six remaining points in singles for victory. The women got straight-set victories from the No. 2 through No. 4 positions. Sarah D'Elia '09 delivered at No. 2, position. Raymond at No. 3 and Christine D'Elia at No. 4 both contributed more points to Bowdoin's tally.

Despite losing at the No. 6 position, Bowdoin still led 4-3 with only two points left on the table.

But Rachel Waldman '09 and Kelsey Hughes '07 could not deliver, losing close three-set matches to seal the match at 5-4 in MIT's favor.

Waldman dropped a 6-4, 2-6, 6-3

decision. Hughes, down 5-4 in the third set, was forced to retire after injuring her leg.

On Sunday against Trinity, the women overcame their frustration from the previous day's heartbreaking loss to defeat the Bantams. They swept the doubles in a decisive fashion, and then rolled through the singles, each match decided in straight sets.

Bowdoin's 9-0 victory was highlighted by performances from senior Kristina Sisk and first-year Alex Franceschi, who lost a combined four games en route to victories in singles.

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### Run, students, run!

Campaigns for Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) and class officer positions are about to begin. Interested students must file petitions for candidacy by Wednesday evening in order to run for office. BSG has not given students a lot of time to consider their candidacies and prepare their petitions; however, we hope that this will not dissuade students from giving electoral politics a try.

Too often the outcomes of student government races are known before the election even begins, because unopposed candidates are able to sail into office without competition. A healthy democratic community depends on the give-and-take of ideas, both good and bad. When we have a system without debate and competition, there often exists a dearth of new ideas—or if ideas are proposed, they do not come into fruition at all.

The problem, of course, is that it is easy to complain about student government, but it is harder to take action. Like all elected offices, the campaign is only the beginning. Actually being an effective BSG member or class officer requires a significant commitment throughout the year. But the rewards can also be significant. Student government members can take pride in knowing that they are learning about the rigors of politics while acting as leaders for the student body.

We urge students of all backgrounds and of all academic interests to consider running for student government office. Some members of this year's body who are running for re-election will present tough opposition. But in the end—no matter who is elected—we all gain when there is healthy and vigorous debate and competition in our political system.

### Health matters

We were pleased to learn that the Dudley Coe Health Center has made its weekend hours permanent. As this page highlighted in November, the prospect of these hours having a significant impact on students matched with the minimal costs that will be required to keep the center open during these hours make this a great decision for students on campus. The need was clearly there, and now these needs can be met. Because the College has set this as a priority, students will no longer have to ignore troubling health issues until Monday.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

#### Do not forget significance of Rwanda

To the Editors:

On April 6 and 7, 1994, genocide broke out in Rwanda. Radical Hutus indiscriminately murdered Tutsis and moderate Hutus who tried to protect Tutsi friends and family or refused to participate in mass murder. After only a few months, the Rwandan genocide claimed 800,000 lives. Each day Western countries failed to deploy more peacekeepers, 10,000 more people died unnecessarily.

On the anniversary of this brutal conflict, we must reflect on what we really mean when we and our leaders declare, "Never again," and "Not on my watch." No one wishes for genocide, but as the horrific statistics from Rwanda demonstrate, inaction constitutes tacit approval of unthinkable atrocities.

When faced with such violence and suffering, it may be easy to feel helpless and inadequate to the task of attacking genocide. Although eradicating the most deadly human disease will not be easy, as citizens of the world's most powerful nation we can demand powerful action to curb future atrocities.

As Bowdoin students, we can reject language that trivializes past genocides, such as the Holocaust, and stand against hate in our community. As citizens, we can petition our lawmakers for support of an International Criminal Court, programs to fight poverty, and early peacekeeping action to stop genocide.

The Darfur Coalition, made up of

Bowdoin Students for Peace, Democratic Socialists, Hillel, and Global Justice, urges you to take a few minutes today to consider the small but important steps you can take to stand against violence.

Sincerely,

Kate Loomis '06, Global Justice  
Shelley Barron '09, Hillel  
Elizabeth Leiwant '08, Democratic Socialists

Sarah Schlotterbeck '08, Bowdoin Students for Peace

#### Housing issue is unattractive and unfair

To the Editors:

After reading the March 31 article "Housing crunch prompts more students per room," I was saddened to hear that, once again, Bowdoin's housing is taking an additional hit. I have always believed that three things separate Bowdoin from wide array of small New England colleges: its food, its people, and its housing. Although these three things seem trivial on the surface, they truly are an important and essential aspect of your college atmosphere. Every year, small reforms are made to the housing policies; the compounding result from these changes has created a housing structure that is sub-par.

Cramming more and more people into housing creates a number of problems. First and foremost, it makes the school less desirable to incoming students. Second, it puts unneeded strain on already full facilities. But lastly, and most important, it is unfair to the current Bowdoin students. If you force more people into the same spaces, it takes away

from the overall Bowdoin experience. What will result is students who are unhappy where they are living and who will ultimately leave campus whenever they don't have classes. Dorms like Stowe Hall are a success for a reason. Don't ruin a good thing. If the school does not have the proper infrastructure in place, then don't admit the additional student population. On the same note, if they don't have the adequate housing for the students already enrolled, then don't guarantee housing.

Sincerely,

Peter Hastings '05  
Salt Lake City, Utah

#### Kolowich's experience is appreciated

To the Editors:

As Steve Kolowich's former religion professor in at least one course (Maybe two? I forget.), I was glad to read his well-written piece, "Have Faith in Understanding" (March 31). Without taking credit for your work in the way of wisdom, I may be permitted to see at least some tiny glimpses of insights you may have gleaned in Religion 216, say. On the other hand, you must be prepared for an onslaught by your Southern classmates, who will be heartily tired of "Yankees" sounding off about their (former) prejudices. So, watch out for overdoing the tone of "I'm saved from my ignorance now." In any case, I appreciated your learning experience.

Sincerely,

Jorunn J. Buckley  
Assistant Professor of Religion

### Posters inflame, do not inform

by Mike Aikins  
CONTRIBUTOR

Walking through the halls of Smith Union the other day, a flyer depicting a young baby caught my eye. The posters, which have been strewn up in massive quantity, depict a fully formed child with the title, "The American Holocaust: 47 million and Counting." Being an ardent advocate of free speech, I swallowed my initial disgust and asked myself if there was really anything wrong with these posters. It didn't take long for me to realize that there are some very serious lines that these posters cross, and that the people who put them up need to apologize and take them down.

One might complain that the "pro-life" stance deserves to be represented and that my comments are just another example of the tyranny of liberal ideas on campus. I want to be very clear on this point: I take issue with these posters, in particular, and not with the representation of "pro-life" perspectives on campus. Abortion raises ethical concerns of the highest order, and a dialogue on the topic is essential if we are to understand the issue. So why are these posters inappropriate?

The first thing that one notices is

the use of the word "holocaust." A comparison of the abortion of fetuses in this country with the Nazi attempts to exterminate the Jews is not only ridiculous, but tasteless and offensive. The culprits may back-peddle here, citing the meaning of the word as great destruction or loss of life. This may have been a valid argument 60 years ago, but it simply does not hold water anymore. Ever since the atrocities of World War II, the word "holocaust"

moment the actual process of abortion. The means of aborting babies is in most cases very humane. The victim is usually a featureless bundle of flesh, and the process is usually painless, because the child is not yet sentient. Now compare this to the torture and slaughter of the Jews during the Holocaust, to the suffering and humiliation, to the tragedy—the human tragedy of it. I think you will see that the argument that "a life is a life" becomes reprehensible in this context.

Not only are the culprits tasteless, but they're deceptive. The statistic of 47 million is the highest estimate that I have seen, which is found on web sites like priestsforlife.org (46.3 million). If we're going to have a productive discussion about abortion, we might begin by using reasonable information. And another thing: if we're going to put a face on abortion I might suggest a photo of an eight-week old fetus instead of the children depicted in these posters.

Now you might be thinking, "If 47 million have died, then why is this a ridiculous comparison?" First, I would point out that in dealing with a tragedy of the magnitude of the Holocaust, almost any comparison is indelicate. However, this instance strikes me as particularly unreasonable. Consider for a

Perhaps the thing that is most incensing about this poster is the cowardice behind it. I searched the poster for a clue as to whom the perpetrator was and after a long

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# Sign changes, healing begins

These Revelations Will Not Be Televised



by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

As the hand at the helm of the College, the administration is responsible for making tough calls, protecting institutional interests and traditions, and providing the student body with the resources and guidance it takes to maintain Bowdoin's reputation as a beacon of higher education.

These duties are anything but trivial. As wide-eyed fledglings, hungry for a socially and intellectually rich four years, we, the students, depend on the College administrators to vomit a nourishing Bowdoin experience down our throats, having already chewed and digested it themselves; so to speak.

And still, we remain largely ignorant of the specific concerns that they tackle in pursuit of this mission. Well, if you skipped over today's news section, allow me to enlighten you.

For the past year, Bowdoin and Southern New Hampshire University have shared an exit sign on I-295. Recently, the College requested that the Maine Department of Transportation create separate signs for the two schools. The College claims that the request was made due to "visibility" concerns.

Well, visibility, sure. I'll buy it. I mean, the decrease in tourist volume on campus has really caused the local economy to take a dive. But I'm glad the signs are separate for a different reason—and I speculate that the College hierarchy isn't too downtrodden about it either: image.

One needs only

to consider closely

the deeply

damaging consequences

of sharing a highway

sign with a lesser

school to realize

how monumental

a victory this

change is for the College. I mean,

how must have prospective families

reacted when they saw that

Bowdoin shared an exit sign with

SNHU?

Mother: I think we're close,

here's a sign—"Exit 28, Bowdoin

College and...Southern New

Hampshire University?"

Father: The exit's for both colleges?

Mother: I suppose so...but why

wouldn't Bowdoin have its own

sign? Can they not afford it? I'm

confused, honey. I thought we

were sending Charles to an elite

college.

Father: Well, this won't do at

all, Charles?

Charles: (puts down graduated

cylinders, looks up from text-

books) Hang on, Dad. I'm about

to simultaneously cure cancer and

solve the JFK assassination.

Father: Well, you won't be

making any historical break-

throughs at Bowdoin College! I'm

turning this car around. We'll try

Middlebury—it has a whole town

named after it.

But the loss of potential genius

students only represents the tip of

the iceberg. What if people mis-construed Bowdoin and SNHU's shared exit sign as implying that the two colleges were otherwise affiliated? What if they thought the sign meant "Bowdoin College at Southern New Hampshire University?" Suddenly, Bowdoin isn't even its own college anymore, just a crappy subdivision of some no-name school's satellite campus. And our athletic program isn't even all that good.

The damage to Bowdoin's image is easy to observe. What is often overlooked is the damage sharing an exit sign with SNHU has wrought on the self-esteem of the student body. I mean, how many times has this happened when you're driving in Maine with your high school friends?

You: Hey guys, check it out—there's the sign for my school.  
Friend #1: You go to Southern New Hampshire University?  
You: No, the other...  
Friend #1: (to others) Hey guys, [your name] goes to Southern New Hampshire University!  
You: I do not!  
(Friends laugh.)  
Friend #2: And he's ugly!  
You: I am not!  
(Friends laugh, high-five each other.)

The immense intellectual burden borne by the average Bowdoin undergraduate makes him more emotionally vulnerable than most. The College, in its wisdom, understands this. The sort of derision that students were forced to endure during the year that Bowdoin and SNHU shared an exit sign (known on campus as the "age of wrath and darkness") not only distracted them from their pursuit of knowledge, but penetrated their thin emotional membranes such that many were unable to productively attend to their intellectual gifts.

But those days are over now. The removal of the odious sign closes what is perhaps the blackest chapter in Bowdoin's history. We must do our best to put in the past and move forward with resolve. Because the administrators have demonstrated such able judgment in this matter already, I will not presume to tell them how they ought to proceed henceforth. I would like, however, to throw a few suggestions out there.

1) Erect a 30-foot solid brick wall around campus, complete with lookout towers and sniper nests. I also recommend a moat.

2) Require each visitor to campus to approach the campus entrance slowly, holding both a photograph I.D. and a certified document bearing either the results of an I.Q. evaluation or SAT test high above his head. If he is deemed intellectually worthy, he will be allowed to enter. If not, he will be shot and his body donated to the Biology Department for curricular use.

3) To reinforce general feelings of superiority, dress students in expensive suits and organize a

field trip to Southern New Hampshire University. Then, encourage them to walk around campus yelling "YOU'RE FIRED!" at any SNHU students they encounter.

4) Break into Special Collections and insert "Southern New Hampshire University sucks" at various places in Hawthorne's manuscripts. Then hold a press conference announcing these "new discoveries."

5) Build the new sign out of gold.

These measures will work to redouble the College's reputation and aid in the recovery of its student body's shattered self-esteem. We can only hope that it's not too late.

The removal of the odious sign closes what is perhaps the blackest chapter in Bowdoin's history.

## To get 'mad game,' take risks

Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

While trying to stay afloat on our life-size inflatable Shamu in the middle of the Caribbean Sea this past spring break, a few of my friends and I stumbled upon the question of "game," as in who had it and who didn't. Both yours truly and my friend, who we will call

"Ellen Grenley" for the sake of her privacy, were accused of having, and I quote "mad game," due in most part to an impromptu spin-the-bottle game that took place on the deck of the local dive bar the night before. This proclamation immediately spawned a debate of what exactly constituted game, and subsequently, a rather heated discussion of whether or not either of us actually possessed such a thing.

First, we attacked the question of what exactly game is. Game, as I understand it, is the ability to successfully meet members of the opposite sex, or the same sex, depending on which gender you send your proverbial Crush cans to. Now, you can define "meet" however you want. Meet can mean getting a name, getting a number, getting a room key, or perhaps getting your inflatable Shamu in to her blow-up inner tube. Meeting someone is completely open to interpretation.

What was apparently not open

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while I found it, there in the corner, in barely legible font: "Concerned Bowdoin Students." In other cases there was a fake email address. Why the secrecy? If these students are ashamed of this poster then they should never have printed it. If you're going to make your opinions public, at least have the courage to own up to them. Issues like this need to be discussed openly, and this isn't possible if we can't even engage those in our community who express ideas like these.

These posters raise the greater problem of what to do when you find yourself in the minority at Bowdoin. As a social conservative in many ways, I can tell you that I'm in this position a lot of the time. Too often do the conservatives on this campus react to the

liberal majority with shots from the extreme Right. I would recommend pursuing a policy of results; that is, ask yourself how you might win over some students here, or how you might convince liberals to consider your position. This will not be accomplished by bringing radical speakers to campus or by posting these kinds of fliers.

I think the pro-life position is a legitimate viewpoint with some strong arguments to be made in its favor, but this is not the way to go about convincing the student body. These posters were meant to inflame rather than to inform, and I would bet that they closed more ears than they opened. All that you "concerned students" are doing is making a clownish caricature of your beliefs, alienating moderates like myself, and hardening the students here in their liberal views.

for interpretation, according to my fellow spring breakers, was the fact that under this particular definition, I, without a doubt, had game. So does Ellen. However, what my friends failed to realize was that our game was based on one simple fact: We are not afraid of getting rejected.

Those of you who have known me over the past four years know that my particular style of game ranges anywhere from Reese-WITHERSPON-IN-"Cruel-Intentions"-innocent to Glenn-Close-in-"Fatal-Attraction" crazy.

But once my ego has mended, and once his restraining order has expired, more often than not, we become friends.

I have written creepy emails. I have instant messaged people late at night who did not know I had their screenname. I have even pretended to be drunk in order to fake drunk-dial a guy I had a crush on. (And if you're wondering if this crush was you, the answer is yes, it was, because I've done this more than once.) All of this has ended in flat-out rejection and has not added to my apparent reputation among my friends of having mad game. Except it has.

I can now count among my friends many of the unfortunate recipients of my not-so-borderline stalking. I can walk past them on the Quad and give them a smile and a wave. I can saunter up to them at Thursday night bowling league and make fun of the fact that they own their own bowling shoes. And ball. And ball bag. I

can even call some of them on the phone completely sober—and act like it.

You see, I believe that game isn't just about putting another notch on your bedpost. For every awkward morning goodbye from the driver's seat of my roommate's car that I've had, I have been shot down, turned down, "Nexted," and ignored at least twice. But once my ego has mended, and once his restraining order has expired, more often than not, we become friends.

Just because the object of your affection isn't interested in riding the Hook-Up Express straight to Relationship City doesn't mean you two can't be friends (eventually).

Meeting people, whether at a party or at Loose Leaves, is about more than the exchange of bodily fluids. It's also about making new friends, often getting rejected by those new friends, and still being able to say the next morning that you had a really good time last night.

Going out to the bars on Spring Break, just like going to the graffiti party at Baxter, doesn't have to be about uncomfortable public make-outs and misreading social cues. It can just be about you, your friends, and a slightly off-key rendition of "I Don't Wanna Lose Your Love Tonight" by the Outfield. And if you happen to make out with the Sausage King of Chicago (pun intended) while you're at it, then hell, you've earned every last ounce of that "mad game" you claim to have.

Write a letter to the Editors!



Send submissions to [orientpinion@bowdoin.edu](mailto:orientpinion@bowdoin.edu).

# Abortion posters are misleading

by Anya Trundy  
CONTRIBUTOR

A little less than a year ago, Representative Charlie Rangel of New York was chastised by the Anti-Defamation League when he likened the war in Iraq to the Holocaust. As a rule of political discourse, one should never be so bold as to equate an individual or event with Hitler or the Holocaust. Not only does such a comparison cheapen the experiences of those who survived and the memory of those who perished in the Holocaust, but it also weakens the argument because nothing short of genocide is so atrocious.

On Tuesday, the Concerned Bowdoin Students—an organization whose membership is unknown—wallpapered the Smith Union with pro-life posters. The posters, which featured a sketch of a sleeping infant, proclaimed abortion is “The American Holocaust” and numbered its victims at “47 million and counting.”

I watched a film of an abortion in my gender and women's studies class on Monday. A suction-aspiration abortion—the type most commonly practiced in United States—employs a thin tube, similar to the small surgical suction used during a routine teeth cleaning, to draw out the embryo. This procedure—essentially the extraction of several ounces of fluid—cannot be compared with the starvation, gassing, and execution-

style shooting of six million European Jews during the Holocaust.

The Concerned Bowdoin Students' poster has not only offended those for whom the Holocaust is an horrific event in their family and ethnic histories, but also those of us who are pro-choice and do not appreciate being likened to Hitler. Regardless of the moral ambiguities of abortion, a woman who chooses to terminate an unwanted pregnancy is not of the same

*A comparison of the abortion of fetuses in this country with the Nazi attempts to exterminate the Jews is not only ridiculous, but tasteless and offensive.*

moral depravity as the man who orchestrated a systematic attempt to exterminate Europe's Jewish population.

My scrutiny of this poster and the Concerned Bowdoin Students does not end there. Beneath the featured sketch on the poster, there is a sentence that reads, “this child represents 235,000 of the aborted babies since Roe v. Wade [sic].” This does not make grammatical sense. I believe that the anonymous author intended to say, “This child represents the 235,000 babies aborted annually since Roe v. Wade.” So which is it—47 million or 235,000 annually? The difference is a factor greater than six!

The National Right to Life Committee (NRLC) would have

Americans believe that 47 million abortions have been performed in the United States since it was legalized in 1973. But I don't imagine that an organization with a political agenda like that of the NRLC keeps a statistician on staff, so I'm not inclined to trust its numbers.

The United States' current population is just under 300 million, 150 million of whom can bear children. To say that there have been 47 million abortions in the last three decades is to assign one abortion per three women, a figure which does not take into account the significant portion of the current U.S. population either too old in 1973 or too young

now to be considered of child-bearing age during the last three decades. In anticipation of my opponents' arguments, I acknowledge that (a) some women have had multiple abortions and (b) although one in three women I know have not had abortions, abortion is a practice shrouded in secrecy, so I might not know who has and has not had an abortion. Nonetheless, I think it is safe to say that 47 million is a gross overestimation of the number of abortions performed in the United States over the last three decades.

So, I offer this suggestion to the Concerned Bowdoin Students: next time, before printing and posting an entire ream of paper's worth of propaganda, check your grammar and check your facts.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Leslie Wittenbraker's '06 made prints of various vegetables for a project for Advanced Printmaking. Students in the class explored a subject or concept as both miniature and gigantic. The prints are on display in the north stairwell of the VAC.

## STUDENT SPEAK

### How should Bowdoin solve the housing crunch?



Rachel Waldman '09

“Make all the freshmen stay in the field house like they did for pre-o.”



Alex Gluck '08

“Cancel school next year.”



Becca Parry '07

“Hubbard stacks, because people sleep there anyways.”



Joanna Sese '08 and  
Frances Killea '08

“Let all the outing club kids sleep in tents next year.”



Jacob Scheckman '06

“Two to a bed.”



Trevor Macomber '06

“Trace amounts of arsenic.”



## WEEKLYCALENDAR

April 7-April 13

## Friday

**Shabbat Candle Lighting**  
Johnson House, 6 p.m.

**Film: "In the Company of Men"**

Two men who have both been recently hurt by women conspire to find a vulnerable woman to date and then break up with, just to boost their crushed egos. But they both fall in love with her, and they turn to psychological warfare in order to win the girl.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

**Spring Seminar Talks**

Normand Laurendeau, professor of combustion at Purdue University, will give a speech entitled, "Energy and Environment: The Search For Balance."  
Room 20, Druckenmiller Hall,  
3-4 p.m.

**Stories from the Gulf**

Students, faculty, and staff share anecdotes about their experiences as residents and volunteers during and after the Hurricane Katrina disaster.  
Burnett House, 3 p.m.

## Saturday

**Film: "In the Company of Men"**  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

**International Festival**

Come to "Saamelafest: Fifth International Fest" and sample multicultural desserts, view cultural displays, and enjoy ethnic performances.  
Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall,  
7:30-10 p.m.

**Anokha Show**

Bowdoin's Indian dance group, Anokha, will perform, joined by Intersection, Vague, Obvious, and a guest troupe from Boston College. After-party at Jack Magee's Pub.  
Morrell Lounge, Smith Union, 8 p.m.

## Sunday

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel,  
4:30 p.m.

**Film: "Born into Brothels"**

Come to a screening of a documentary about the lives of children who rise above an environment of prostitution, followed by a discussion about poverty as the root of the sex trade.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Multicultural Career Panel**

Recent Bowdoin alumni will hold a panel on the roles of culture and diversity in life after Bowdoin, particularly in the workplace.  
Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall, 12:30-2 p.m.

**Poetry Reading**

Listen to Peter Makuck, an author of poetry, short stories, and essays, as he reads selections from his newest collection of poems, which focuses on how we exile ourselves from a paradise that is available at any given moment.  
Ladd House, 4-5:30 p.m.

## Tuesday

**The Illusion of Similarity**

Professor Joe Bandy's Sociology 220 class will lead a conversation about issues of class differences at Bowdoin.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
7 p.m.

**Lehman Lecture**

Richard Davis, professor and director of the religion program at Bard College, will deliver a speech titled, "The Art of the Procession," detailing the significance of Hindu art through time.  
Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center,  
4-6:30 p.m.

## Monday

**Israel and Progressivism**

Democrat Mike Michaud, Maine's second-district congressman, will speak to students about why he thinks supporting Israel is a progressive value.  
Thorne Dining Hall, 5:30 p.m.

**The Environment in China**

The once-overlooked Chinese environment is now suffering under the pressure of sudden economic growth and is demanding more political attention. Attend a presentation about major changes in the Chinese environmental governance system.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 7 p.m.

## Wednesday

**"To Those Born After"**

View a film about a world governed only by greed and indifference toward the future. A discussion with Christopher Pavsek, German professor at Haverford College, will follow.  
Room 315, Searles Science Building,  
7-9 p.m.

## Thursday

**The Day of the Song**

An independent study in directing by Emily Glinick '06 from her translation of the contemporary Italian play "Il Giorno del Cantico," written by Giuseppe Emiliani.  
Wish Theater, Memorial Hall,  
7:30-9:30 p.m.



The first flower near Hawthorne-Longfellow library blooms.

Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient



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## Contract workers in critical condition

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Two construction workers are still in a critical care unit after the van they were driving crashed on their way to campus last week.

On April 5, three employees of Knowles Industrial Services of Gorham, the contractor that the College hired to do masonry for the renovations of Appleton and Hyde Halls, were traveling south on Interstate 295 toward their Bowdoin job site. The driver lost control of the van and crashed, seriously injuring two of the men.

James Wise, a craftsman, and Troy Merrill, a mason tender, both remained in the critical care unit at Central Maine Medical Center (CMC) in Lewiston as of yesterday. According to their supervisor, Scott Doucette, Merrill is paralyzed from the neck down and remains in critical condition. As of Tuesday, Wise's condition was no longer listed as critical.

The driver, Daniel Graf, was released from Maine General Medical Center on the same day he was admitted.

According to a news release filed by Maine Department of Public Safety Spokesperson Steve McCausland, the workers were attempting to pass another vehicle just north of the Interstate 295 exit

## Students camp in cardboard for cause



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

First years Cait Hyland and Hillary Hook set up their temporary shelter for the second annual Habitat for Humanity Sleep-Out on the Quad last night.

for Richmond when their van hit a patch of black ice, skidded, and rolled over three or four times before coming to a rest against some trees off the side of the highway.

Wise was thrown through the windshield of the van. He was airlifted to CMMC for treatment. The other men were transported by ambulance.

Bryant Pasamen, who worked with the three victims for approxi-

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## Seniors pledge to graduate 'green'

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

Regardless of what this year's weather will bring next, campus is expected to be greener than usual for graduation.

Throughout the rest of the semester, seniors will be given opportunities to sign a pledge of life-long commitment to the environment. To show this dedication, these students will be encouraged to wear green ribbons during commencement exercises.

The pledge is one facet of a larger effort by many seniors and by Sustainable Bowdoin to make graduation "greener" this year and in the future.

"We're not the first ones to do this," Coordinator for a Sustainable Bowdoin Krishna Payson said. She cited College of the Atlantic, which recently held a "zero waste" graduation.

"We've seen this sort of thing happen at other schools, and we've become motivated," she said.

Students will try to compensate for energy used on campus during commencement weekend by buying "green energy," which comes from renewable, non-polluting sources.

"We're not actually replacing the energy that will be used," explained Ben Smith '06, who is spearheading the student initiative. "Instead, we are donating green energy somewhere else on the grid."

Smith is working with Facilities Management to determine the amount of energy that will likely be used during graduation weekend. This number will be reached by examining energy usage of certain buildings on an average day and tweaking the numbers to better represent the needs of the event. Although the students hope to be able to completely off-set the energy

usage with green energy credits, they have not raised the necessary funds yet.

Several smaller-scale changes will also be implemented to decrease the amount of environmental harm caused by graduation. For instance, recycle bins will be placed on the Quad to encourage guests and graduates to use them to dispose of their programs and water bottles.

Also, Sustainable Bowdoin plans to donate compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs to Maine Bay Canvas, the company that will provide tents for various outdoor events during the weekend. CFL bulbs use less energy and last longer than normal light bulbs. Maine Bay Canvas will also be able to use them for other events in the future that take place outside of Bowdoin.

"It's a symbolic donation," Smith said. "We are having an impact even beyond our graduation."

According to Payson, Bowdoin College Dining Service has come up with some of its own initiatives to make its operating procedures for the event more environmentally friendly. The cookware used will be biodegradable, the amount of locally produced foods will be increased, and the lobster shells from the lobster bake will be composted.

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## College seeks new student affairs dean

by Bobby Guerette  
ORIENT STAFF

Approximately 60 people have applied to be the College's next dean of student affairs, but officials are not yet ready to predict when the search committee will make its final decision.

"The end of the search is when we've found the right person," Assistant to the President Scott Meiklejohn said in a phone interview.

The committee has already met with one applicant. Tim Foster, the College's current senior associate dean of student affairs, applied for the position and spent a full day interviewing on Tuesday, Meiklejohn said.

The Phoenix, Swarthmore College's student newspaper, reported Thursday that Foster is also one of five finalists for the dean of students position at the Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, liberal arts college. The Phoenix said that Swarthmore President Al Bloom will likely make a decision by the end of April.

"It is typical for Bowdoin to be working with top candidates who have other choices, and we ask all candidates to let us know if they are involved in other searches where there might be timing issues," Meiklejohn wrote in a follow-up email.

"In our case we think we have the important information in front of us and we are moving as quickly as possible to run a thorough process and not lose our chance at any one candidate," he wrote.

Meiklejohn noted that at least one other candidate is a finalist for a position at another top school. That candidate will be visiting Bowdoin soon. In addition, some candidates have spoken with officials by phone, and applications are still arriving.

Meiklejohn said the position's search committee is not intending on setting a new direction for the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

"There are a lot of things that are going well," he said. "Craig Bradley has

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## Nebellen to stomp into Pickard

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

After two years of phone calls and contract negotiations, the classical/hip-hop fusion dance group Nebellen will finally arrive on campus Saturday night. Thanks to the patience of Activities Board members Rachel Kaplan '06, Curtis Isacke '07, and Sandip Patel '07,

the Phoenix-based group will grace the Pickard Theater stage with the intention of turning it into a club scene.

First, for Pickard to suit to their needs, Nebellen requested that the marley floor onstage be removed. A marley floor, according to theater techie Sam Donovan '07, is "a semi-sticky rubber mat often used by dancers to protect their feet from the harsh wooden floor."

When asked why the dancers might ask for it to be removed, Isacke responded that most likely, the rubber mat hinders the performers' hip-hop styles or their ability to

stomp out beats onstage.

The Nebellen dancers are classically trained in ballet, but they use that classic training to better interpret and perform newer styles such as hip-hop and house. The result is an interesting and powerful combination—one that artistic directors Ellen Rath and Ben Howe intended to create when they founded the group.

Rath was a nine-year veteran of Ballet Arizona before leaving in 2005, while Howe is an alumnus of Arizona State University's dance

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## Mills, students share Passover tradition



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Last night's Passover Seder, held by President Barry Mills and his wife, Karen Gordon Mills, brought together members of the Bowdoin community.

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## Search to fill dean of student affairs position underway

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put together a great team."

"It's inevitable that a new team will have some new ideas, but we didn't go into this looking for an extreme makeover in student affairs," Meiklejohn said.

Bradley, the current dean of student affairs, decided last month that he would leave the College to work at the Aga Khan Development Network, an organization that aims to provide top-quality educational experiences to some of the poorest children in the world.

Bradley joined Bowdoin in the summer of 1996.

Meiklejohn said that a group of about a dozen students, led by Tanisha Wilson '07 and Mike Igoe '07, met with Foster as part of Tuesday's interview sessions. Wilson and Igoe are the two student representatives on the search committee.

For its dean search, Swarthmore is conducting a series of open "fireside chats" and established an email address for student comments. While it is unlikely that Bowdoin will present candidates to the students in an open forum, Meiklejohn predicted that other applicants would also meet with selected stu-

dents in small-group sessions similar to Tuesday's meeting.

"I think that's the format we would follow for any other candidates," he said.

Though the College had to work "really quickly" once Bradley announced his departure, Meiklejohn said that "we had a great response."

"We have a number of candidates that are deans at other places—colleges that you've heard of," he said.

The search committee is chaired by President Barry Mills. In addition to student representatives Igoe and Wilson, the committee also includes Associate Professor of History Sarah McMahon, Professor of Physics Steve Naculich, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Krista Van Vleet, Chief Information Officer Mitch Davis, Director of Capital Giving Elizabeth Orlic, Associate Director of Alumni Relations Peter Wagner, and Archives Assistant Kathy Peterson. Bradley is not involved in the search.

The dean reports directly to the president, and oversees many areas of student life, including the Office of Residential Life and the student disciplinary system.

According to the College's vacancy announcement, "Candidates should

bring a significant record of leadership in student life, along with a strong appreciation for the educational values of a small residential college. A proven track record of educating students about, and sustaining diversity in, a residential community is essential. An advanced degree is required. Candidates with the highest ethical standards and a collegial temperament will be well-suited to the position."

## Bowdoin to make graduation 'greener'

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Both Payson and Smith expect that this year's graduation will serve as a precedent for future graduations. They hope that certain changes made this year will become standard policies.

Payson added that making the event less harmful to the environment is a "work in progress."

While making the actual event more environmentally friendly is important to him, Smith is especially excited by the idea that seniors will carry an environmental consciousness with them throughout their lives.

"We want to cement in graduating seniors the idea of the common good, beyond the halls of the College," he said.

## CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY REPORT: 4/6 TO 4/12

### Thursday, April 6

•An underage student who showed a false identification card to enter Jack Magee's Pub was cited and a report was forwarded to the dean of student affairs.

### Friday, April 7

•A bartender at Jack Magee's Pub was cited with an alcohol policy violation for serving alcohol to a patron 10 minutes after closing time.

•A fire alarm at Chamberlain Hall was activated by burnt food in a toaster oven.

•A student was cited for hosting an unregistered alcohol event at Brunswick Apartments.

•A female student reported that she was followed and approached by an intoxicated man on Maine Street at the Little Dog Café. The man was described as a 30-year-old white male, 5'9", thin build, with a scar on his cheekbone, wearing a hooded coat. Information was passed on to the Brunswick Police.

### Saturday, April 8

•An unregistered event with hard alcohol present was dispersed at a third-floor Maine Hall dorm. Several students were cited for alcohol policy violations and reported to the dean of student affairs.

### Sunday, April 9

•A student reported that the door to his Heinrich House dorm room was kicked in sometime Saturday night or early Sunday morning. Nothing was reported missing from the room.

•A lost purse was located at Moulton Union and returned to a student.

•Discount Towing reported that a student whose vehicle was towed picked up his vehicle without paying the bill. Security contacted the student and the bill was then paid. No criminal charges were filed.

•A piece of student artwork—a hanging mobile—was taken down from its Smith Union display and damaged on Sunday at about 2:30 a.m. Security identified two students responsible for the act and a report was filed with the dean of student affairs.

•A student reported that her wallet was missing and that it may have been lost or stolen at Cuddy's Bar in Brunswick on Saturday evening.

### Monday, April 10

•A student reported that her coat was missing from Moulton Union.

•A student reported that a red men's Mongoose mountain bike was stolen from Brunswick Apartments. The bike was unlocked in the bike rack near the K section.

### Tuesday, April 11

•A male East Hall student with severe stomach cramps was transported to Parkview Hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

•Security, Brunswick Fire, and the Electrical Shop responded to a furnace malfunction and report of smoke at Mustard House.

•A student reported the theft of a TI-83 calculator and a leather card case from Hawthorne-Longfellow Library.

### Wednesday, April 12

•A security alarm was inadvertently activated at Banister Hall.

•A lacrosse athlete with an injured hand was transported to Parkview Hospital by a security officer.

**Safety Advisory:** With spring, the campus experiences an increase in bicycle thefts. During the past several days, two locked student bicycles were stolen when the cable locks were cut with bolt cutters. The Department of Safety and Security recommends the following steps to safeguard your bike: 1. Use a sturdy U-bolt bike lock, usually available at the Bowdoin Bookstore; 2. Park in a well-lit area; 3. When possible, lock and store your bike indoors.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

•Attendance: 24/26. Absent: Jacq Abrams '08, Molley Dorkey '06

•The officer team is working to address BSG's role in J-Board approval.

•Three thousand more slap-bracelets will be ordered. They will come in different colors and be included in the class of 2010's first-year mailing packages.

•Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day is on Friday (see story, page 3).

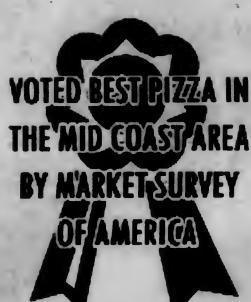
•Recent changes to the constitution were presented. "Every BSG has tried to fix [the constitution]—we did it," BSG President DeRay McKesson '07 said.

•BSG rejected, 2-20-1, a proposal to forbid student organizations that receive SAFC funding from paying their members, even if the wages come from the revenue earned by that organization. The resolution would primarily have affected the Orient.



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# OCS office garners mixed reviews

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

The Off-Campus Studies Office (OCSO) has informed only 10 students that they may not study away in the semester of their choosing, leaving about 22 more juniors on campus in the fall than in the spring.

As previously reported, this imbalance will have a considerable impact on residential space at the College, according to Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli.

"Housing is just so popular, and we're just so tight for space that when we have a hiccup of even 10, 15 students, it definitely has an effect," Pacelli said.

About 288 members of the Class of 2008 are studying abroad in the 2006-2007 academic year—approximately 133 in the fall and 155 in the spring.

Of the students who applied to study in a foreign country, the majority wanted to go abroad in the spring. The OCSO, in an effort to have an approximately equal number of students abroad both semesters, looked through all the applications of those seeking to study away in the spring. They zeroed in on a number of the applications.

"We went to this group of 20 plus people," said Stephen Hall, the director of OCSO, "and said, 'As far as we can see, you could, with some adjustments, go away in the fall.' And, of course, most of them got back to us and said, 'No I can't and these are the reasons why.' So the OCS committee...

...looked at those appeals from students and about half of them, we said, 'OK, fair enough, you can go away in the spring.'"

For the others, about 10 of them, the OCSO had to "insist, it's the fall or nothing," according to Hall. This left some students quite unhappy. Most, however—the great majority of students applying to study abroad—are going to the destination of their choice in the semester they chose.

"I've had no problems with the Off-Campus Studies Office," said Zach Parker '08, who is studying in Australia next spring. "All my interactions with them have gone really smoothly."

Hall acknowledges that not everyone who applied to study abroad is pleased with the OCSO.

"Yes, we've got some dissatisfied people and that's hard," Hall said, "but the numbers are not as bad as they might be."

One of those dissatisfied students is Courtney Camps '08. She applied to study in Rome in the spring so she could take elementary Italian before she arrived in Italy, but she was told that she had to go in the fall. According to Camps, she was encouraged to go in the fall to India, China, or Barcelona instead. She decided not to study abroad at all.

"I understand that they like to have equal numbers here, but at the same time, you're giving up part of the allure of Bowdoin—that it's so easy to study abroad. I think people should be able to go where they want to go, when they want to go," Camps noted.

Amherst College agrees. Students at Amherst can study when and



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

The Off-Campus Studies Office offers students a wall of pamphlets, organized by country, to help them select the program that is best for them.

where they please, according to the Amherst web site.

"We have no policy" regarding students studying abroad in a specific semester, Amherst College Study Abroad Advisor Bill Hoffa said in a telephone interview.

"We hope for equal numbers in fall and spring. We seldom achieve equal

numbers, but we have no policy. Most years we have 10 to 20 percent, at least, more students [away] in the spring than in the fall," he said.

Of Amherst students studying abroad this academic year, the number of students going abroad in the fall and spring is about equal.

"Our aim is to try to balance the numbers—sometimes we do, sometimes we don't," Hoffa added.

Swarthmore College is another institution that has an open policy about when students study abroad. According to its Office of Foreign Study web site, a Swarthmore student "may study abroad during the spring semester of the sophomore year, either of the junior year semesters, and—with the approval of your major department—during the Fall semester of your senior year."

The OCSO defended its policy as reasonable and prudent.

"It comes down to housing," Hall said. "The College has long been concerned about the balance of the students on campus."

For the 1996-1997 academic year, 209 students studied away in the spring, while only 108 studied away in the fall. As a result of this gross imbalance, the OCSO added language to the catalogue that stipulated that "approval of individual requests may also be affected by the College's concern to maintain a balance between the number of students away during the fall and spring terms."

There are other considerations besides housing though, Hall mentioned.

"However much housing you have, there are certain financial efficiencies about having an equal number of students on campus at any one time. To keep the students' fee at a reasonable level [currently \$1,000], it seems to make sense not to waste [students'] money by having dead space on campus."

Another reason Hall cited for keeping the numbers even was the presence of juniors on campus. Juniors generally "play an active role

in student leadership. If there are hardly any around, it leaves this sort of void," he said.

## Workers injured en route to campus

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mately six months, said that the Bowdoin crew noticed that something was amiss when the men did not show up at work that morning. He also said that they have been missed on the job site.

"They're a great bunch of guys," he said.

Doucette, who has supervised Wise for two years and Merrill for one, characterized Wise as "very sporty and athletic" and Merrill as "happy-go-lucky."

He described both as "excellent workers." He mentioned that because the crews often work together on out-of-state contracts, camaraderie among the workers is strong.

"When you spend five or six days on the road with a crew, you get close to them," he said.

"Last week the mood was very, very sad," he added.

## Students say thanks

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Students who are looking for a formal chance to say "thank you" to faculty and staff will receive some help today.

Bowdoin Student Government's (BSG) first ever Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day will offer a variety of events that will allow students to recognize the adults who affect them on a day-to-day basis at the College.

Students voted on faculty superlatives—among them most valuable professor, best looking, best lecturer, and quietest—and signed thank-you notes to faculty and staff members prior to today's event.

"We did more programming specifically for students [in the past]," said BSG Vice President for Student Affairs Carolyn Chu '07.

"However, BSG thought it was something that needed to get done. Faculty get recognized for their work more than the staff, and we wanted to recognize them both as the contributors to our college lives," she said.

According to BSG President DeRay McKesson '07, "Bowdoin is a family and it's important that we let the people who sustain this family know that they're important. This is our way to say it."

Following morning coffee and

## Lecture series reflects rising interest in China

by Beth Kowitz  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin students may find that Brunswick is more interconnected with China than they initially thought after attending a talk or two from the two-week lecture series, "Concurrent Worlds: China in the Era of Globalization," which begins Saturday.

Presented by the Asian Studies Program and the Asian Students Association, the six speakers will touch on issues including the Chinese military, rural migration, globalization, and energy.

"We were talking about doing something to make students aware of the emerging questions on China," said Associate Professor of Asian Studies Shuqin Cui, who is a member of the five-person committee behind the event. "This is not just a Bowdoin issue. It's a global and national issue. The young generation of scholars should have the perspective that this here is not the only world."

Assistant Professor of Government and Asian Studies Lance Guo said he conceived the idea as a way of bridging a gap he saw in his students.

"On the one hand people are interested in China, but they know very little," Guo said. "China is perceived as a threat, but they can't really say how. There's a lack of understanding."

Cui said the series, which is sponsored by the Freeman and Luce foundations, focuses on political science and United States-China relations from multiple perspectives and diversified topics.

"The goal is to gain a picture of those different perspectives," she said. "This is an invaluable opportunity to make Bowdoin aware of China's role today."

The series, part of which corresponds with Asian Week, will begin Saturday with opening remarks from President Barry Mills, followed by "Elections and Chinese Understanding of Democracy," presented by Tianjian

Shi of Duke University, and will close with back-to-back lectures on April 29 on "Dragon's Rise: Chinese Military Buildup and East Asian Security" by Jing-dong Yuan of the Institute of International Studies in Monterey, and "Labor, Mobility, and New Urban Citizenry: How Rural Migration Transforms Economic Boom Towns in South China" by Hong Zhang of Colby College.

Guo said he has noticed the increased interest surrounding China at other schools, especially in Chinese language, due in part to the developing business relations with China.

"At Bowdoin we are still yet to pay sufficient attention to this, and we hope with this lecture series to arise interest," said Guo. "If you want to deal with China effectively, you have to understand it."

For students who take Asian studies classes and acknowledge the importance of studying China, the series will be a constructive supplement to the work they already do.

"It's important for students and people in general to learn about China," said Z-Z Cowen '08, who is enrolled in Contemporary Chinese Society. "It's so easy for us to focus on the U.S., but in doing so, we're able to end up forgetting that our way isn't necessarily the only way or the right way."

Cui said that the series is important in its attempt to open up a forum to talk about the current issues in China.

"The rise of China and the emergence of China raise not only concerns but also inspire us to think about who we are, what our stance is in the United States," said Cui. "We need to have a global perspective to understand others and ourselves."

The Freeman Foundation, which granted Bowdoin \$1.6 million in 2002 with the objective of strengthening and broadening Asian studies at Bowdoin, also provided the resources for Professor of Sociology Nancy Riley to take a group of 10 faculty members to China over Spring Break.

She will also take a group of 12 students to China over the summer for five to six weeks as part of her Contemporary Chinese Society course. The grant will pay all the expenses of the trip.

Riley, whose work focuses on family, gender, and population and China, noted that China is a hot topic right now, but that Bowdoin's apparent increase in interest in China might also have something to do with the Freeman grant running out.

"We're finally doing all these things we had planned on doing with the grant," Riley said.

"I don't know if there's been an overall increased interest in China for the entire Bowdoin community, but I think that among the people who study some aspect of China—in sociology, or language, or art history—there's a feeling that the studying is really worthwhile and eye-opening," said Cowen.

"That's why these lectures are great—they have the potential to reach people on campus who haven't been able to take courses or study China," she said.

Riley said she was unsure as to what exactly was behind the increased interest in China at Bowdoin.

"What's causing it? Are students demanding it? I'm not convinced of that," she said. "But there's more [interest] out there so it could reach Brunswick eventually."

# FEATURES

## BQSA teach-in highlights issues of sexual orientation

Queer-Straight Alliance, gay and lesbian studies department address tough contemporary questions

by Frances Milliken and  
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A group of Bowdoin students and professors met in Johnson House last Sunday to discuss current sexual-orientation issues and to speak about the gay and lesbian field of study, also known as "queer studies." This discussion included the perspective of several faculty members and students of different sexual orientations who came together to share their own experiences. They talked about how they would like to see gay, lesbian, bisexual, straight, and transgender issues progress in the future.

"In terms of Bowdoin and America, I believe that exposure to queer issues is integral to our progress as a society. We have come a long way in dealing with queer issues, but there are still great strides we can make," said Marc Donnelly '07, a member of Bowdoin Queer-Straight Alliance (BQSA).

Bowdoin students have many opportunities to grapple with the tough questions of contemporary sexual orientation through the gay and lesbian studies department and through BQSA.

At the teach-in, professors examined the history of gay and lesbian studies, which began in the 1970s as an offshoot of feminist theory. This new discipline differentiated between gender and sexuality, which used to be commonly studied in conjunction with one another. The discussion then moved on to a debate about views of gender and sexuality; for example, the teach-in participants discussed traditional gender and sexu-

al roles and what it means to be male, female, gay, straight, bisexual, or transgendered. One student asked if a transgendered person is homosexual or not, which led to a debate about whether or not a transgendered person can ever really transform to the opposite sex. Finally, the professors led a discussion about gender and sexuality in the classroom, an environment in which issues of sexual harassment, grading bias, and unequal numbers of students in certain fields often arise.

According to the BQSA web site, "The Bowdoin Queer-Straight

everyday thought for most individuals."

"I'd say the question of gay marriage is not going to go away, and will require of every citizen some very exacting thought in the years ahead—thought not only about the disenfranchisement of queer people, but about what sorts of privileges we think ought, and ought not, to be bundled into marriage itself, as a civic institution," said teach-in participant Peter Coviello, associate professor of English and program director of gay and lesbian studies.

When Coviello joined the English department, part of the job description included a request for someone interested in gay and lesbian studies. The possibility of a minor had been discussed at length already, but the interdisciplinary minor had not yet come into being.

"Much work was done before I got here," said Coviello. "The conception of the minor predates me."

After the English department hired Coviello in 1998, he was able to lend himself to crafting the gay and lesbian studies minor in a substantial way. Coviello helped draft the proposal for the minor, which was approved in 1999 and went into effect in 2000.

Bowdoin is among a small number of colleges that offer a gay and lesbian studies program. Coviello is proud of its existence. Currently, the minor functions on a much smaller degree than other minors, partly because of its recent creation and limited funding.

The existence of the gay and lesbian studies minor is dependent on the support of the English department.

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Professor Peter Coviello  
Director of Gay and Lesbian Studies Dept.

Alliance is a support group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, questioning, queer, transgender students, and their allies. The BQSA is also committed to raising awareness at Bowdoin and in the Brunswick community at large."

Donnelly and Jared Hunt '08 organized the teach-in. According to Donnelly, he and Hunt first considered organizing a teach-in about a month ago at the BQSA retreat.

"We thought it would be informative for the Bowdoin community, regardless of sexual orientation. Later, we spoke with the professors present about presenting different topics at the talk," said Donnelly. "They were all very enthusiastic. I believe that many of the issues discussed yesterday are not present in



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient  
Associate Professor of English Peter Coviello has been the coordinator of the gay and lesbian studies minor since its inception in 2000.



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## Many resources on campus for those who are depressed

Depression, surprisingly common among students, can be addressed in a number of ways

### Ask Dr. Jeff

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
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Dear Dr. Jeff: A friend of mine seems to be pretty down. How would I know if he's depressed? —J.B.



Dear J.B.: We all feel blue and moody from time to time, and transitory feelings of sadness, self-doubt, or discouragement are likely perfectly normal and situational. Depression, on the other hand, lasts longer, is more intense, more pervasive, deeper, and incapacitating. Depression comes in many forms and degrees. Common symptoms include:

- feelings of sadness, hopelessness, or irritability, that have no clear cause or seem out of proportion

- feelings of worthlessness, helplessness, or guilt
- loss of interest in usual activities, including eating and sex
- insomnia or oversleeping, along with low energy levels and fatigue
- chronic aches and pains, especially headaches and abdominal pain, that defy diagnosis and don't respond to treatment
- abusive use of alcohol or drugs (really self-medication)
- persistent thoughts of death, self-harm, or suicide

There are a number of "symptom checklists" you can run through on your own, if you think you or a friend might be depressed. The Counseling Center web site, for instance, has a totally confidential and anonymous on-line self-screening test for depression (and alcohol abuse and eating disorders). Both the Health and the Counseling web sites also have links to other sources of helpful information about depression and other screening tests.

You are, of course, always welcome to come into the Health Center or the Counseling Center and talk things over. You might suggest the same to your friend. Both staffs have considerable experience in helping people sort their feelings out and certainly can help your friend figure out what the right next steps for him might be.

Depression is very common. Some experts estimate that one out of every five adults will experience clinical depression at some point in their lives. Depression is the second-most-common chronic disorder, mental or physical, seen by primary care providers in their offices. Eight percent of adolescents and two percent of children are thought to suffer from depression.

Not surprisingly, depression is also unfortunately common here at Bowdoin. In spring surveys, over 80 percent of students report feeling depressed (more than "just unhappy") at least a few times each

year. More than half report worrying about their mental health and more still feel negatively impacted by someone else's mental or emotional problems. Our Counseling Center continues to see significant numbers of students who are depressed.

Bowdoin is by no means unusual in this regard. Recent reports nationwide point to increasing student visits to college counseling centers. On average, those numbers have more than doubled over the last 15 years. The same has been true for the number of college students taking psychotropic medications, especially antidepressants. Some studies have reported that figure as high as 15 percent.

Commentators have considered various causes for these trends. Greater pressures on students to succeed academically and the breakdown of effective family support systems are thought to be foremost. There also may be greater awareness of mental illness and an

easing of the stigma attached to seeking psychiatric care. Clearly, the greater availability of effective psychotropic medications, with fewer side effects, has also played a central role. While it is true that these medications have been marketed aggressively by drug companies, it is also true that they have helped some people advance in their schooling and careers when they might not have been able to do so years ago.

There are a wide variety of helpful treatments available for those struggling with depression. Come in to the Counseling Center or Health Center to talk it over. If that seems overwhelming, talk to a proctor, a dean, a professor, or a coach.

Talk to someone, and talk to each other.

Take good care of yourselves—and take good care of each other!

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center

The Internet is filled with quirky, interesting sites. One of these is FutureMe.org. It lets you send letters to your future self—and read other people's letters too.

Dear Future Me,  
By the time  
you read this,  
four years will  
have passed...

To: The once and  
future me  
From: The me of  
the past

Graphic by Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

## Site lets you send letter to future

by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

On January 1, 2005, a certain web user sent a peice of electronic mail. It read: "So you left that hopeless company, you're no longer single and you got around to taking up all those new hobbies? Congratulations!

"But this is your work email address, and you're sitting on your own using a computer.

"Not only a loser, but a liar too. Shame."

Seems a bit harsh, doesn't it? But don't worry, there is little doubt that the message's recipient will understand. After all, he wrote it.

A novel website, FutureMe.org, allows anyone with an email account and an internet connection to send an email to the future—specifically, to their future selves.

The letter can be delivered on any date between 30 days and 30 years later. Each letter must be marked public or private. No one sees private letters until they are delivered. Public letters are posted, anonymously, on FutureMe. A mechanism exists whereby a person can change the email address to which their letter is sent.

Matt Sly, a Williams College graduate, thought up the idea of FutureMe

on a jog a few years ago. Recalling school assignments in which he was asked to write to himself in the future, he came up with the idea of the web site. With his friend Jay Patrikios, he crafted FutureMe, which went online in 2002.

Although traffic was slow at-first, it has picked up over the last few years. "We're about 25,000 hits a day right now," Sly said in an email. That adds up to "between 200 and 500 letters" sent every day.

The letters that are publicly accessible—and there are many of them—range from the amusing ("Dear Scott, That rooster you hated so much died yet...how did that go? I am really worried on how dad will react, im hoping mom is going to be fine...its weird everyday it seems harder to be gay in this world...") to the utterly mundane ("Dear FutureMe, Time to renew your green card. Good luck.")

Most of the emails are in English. Others are written in French, Spanish, German, Italian, and other foreign tongues. While some letters are moving and

profound, and while others are shallow and unremarkable, all reveal something about their authors. And, perhaps taken as a whole, the letters represent something greater.

Although FutureMe.org was intended for people to send letters to themselves, people use it to send small notes and lengthy diatribes to their family, friends, and ex-significant others. Perusing those letters sent to ex-girlfriends and ex-boyfriends, it seems the you-broke-my-heart-I-hope-you're-happy letters are particularly popular.

Recently the web site has received a spate of press coverage. Articles about FutureMe.org have appeared in the Washington Post, Wired, the San Francisco Chronicle, the Boston Globe, and other press outlets. According to Sly's personal website, the story has appeared in "hundreds of publications. And I mean hundreds." In January of this year, Sly was a guest on NPR's Weekend America show. He was also recently interviewed on CNN.

FutureMe's increased visibility prompted about a million hits a day for short time. The idea of being able to speak to one's future self appeared to intrigue a lot people.

The press coverage, however, has not really affected Sly or Patrikios.

"Ultimately, things haven't changed all that much," Sly said. "We're not making huge bucks—you won't see a BMW with a 'FutureMe' vanity plate any time soon. But the minor celebrity status that lasted for a few weeks was

dead future self

please live long enough to read this email. if you die, please die in combat. it's the way you wanted to go.

whatever you see and do, don't forget why you enlisted.

remember the destruction that decision caused. remember the fights, the tears, the promises, the worries, the determination.

at the time of this writing, you lived in the greatest country in the world. i hope you still do.

remember who you were, aged seventeen.

whatever shitty duty you're assigned, do it with vigor and pride.

if you lost a limb, a buddy, youth, friends - remember that freedom is always worth it.

freedom is always worth it.

faith.

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A screenshot of a letter sent to the future using the web site FutureMe.org. It is to be delivered on October 21, 2007.

certainly fun, if a bit surreal."

Sly and Patrikios are closing a book deal soon in which the top letters appearing on the site will be published. "We never, ever thought FM would garner this kind of popularity. It was really just a fun project we did in a spare time over a couple of weeks," Sly added.

The web site now is wholly automatic, according to Sly.

"The site runs itself right now. There is an automated script that runs every night that sends out the letters

from the database," he explained. "We're kind of irrelevant at this point."

They expect FutureMe.org to continue sending out letters for the foreseeable future. In ensuring the web site's continued existence, Sly and Patrikios ensure that some unknown man or woman can receive a pleasant, hopeful, uplifting birthday message from his or her past self: "Dear FutureMe, I hope all is well, and you're not on crack. Happy Birthday!"

## BQSA teach-in explores issues

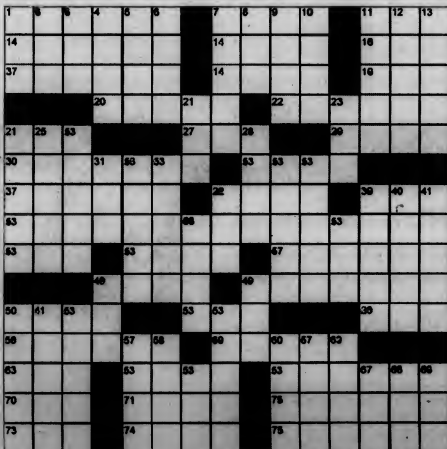
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ment, as well as the participation of individual professors within other fields. There are no funded professorships for the minor, which means that every other fall the English department gives up one of its courses in order for Coviello or Professor of English David Collings to teach Gay and Lesbian Studies 201, the central course of the minor. The infrequency of this course offering can be problematic for students who want to study abroad during their time at Bowdoin. Aside from 201, the program

requirements include four additional courses. These courses are provided by various departments every year. This year, one can choose classes from the anthropology, classics, and gender and women's studies departments, among others, to fulfill the minor requirements.

There is hope that the Department of Gender and Women's Studies will hire someone who is capable of teaching in that field as well as in gay and lesbian studies in an effort to make the minor feasible for students who might otherwise be unable to fill the requirements.

## WEEKLY CROSSWORD: BOWDOIN ABODES



Puzzle by Adam Kommel

### ACROSS

- 1 Site of 11 chem-free quads
- 7 Couch
- 11 Patriots' league
- 14 Word blindness
- 15 Chamberlain or 1-across
- 16 British toilet
- 17 Discover
- 18 Opera solo
- 19 Building wing
- 20 Casing
- 22 The setup of most Brunswick Apartments
- 24 Hip-hop
- 27 Street
- 29 Reasons
- 30 Tasteless
- 34 Air (prefix)
- 37 Eye part
- 38 Italian currency
- 39 Fisherman's tool
- 42 April concern of Bowdoin students (with a)
- 45 Tap
- 46 Margarine

### DOWN

- 47 Lather
- 48 Church part
- 49 Porch
- 50 Common suite setup
- 53 Couple
- 55 Type of co. (British)
- 56 Labor organizations
- 59 Hall or Inn
- 63 That (possessive)
- 64 vera
- 66 Indic languages
- 70 Nothing
- 71 Tart
- 72 Vegetables that will make you cry
- 73 Ball holder
- 74 Harpswell or Pine St.
- 75 New

### 5 Wealthy

- 6 Court
- 7 Will
- 8 Rowing tool
- 9 Flutter
- 10 Winged
- 11 First letter in Hebrew alphabet
- 12 Stupidity
- 13 Tower
- 21 Permit
- 23 Jima
- 24 Review
- 25 Hawaii "hello"
- 26 1992 and 1996 presidential candidate
- 28 Mangle
- 31 African antelope
- 32 Fable writer
- 33 Hammer's partners
- 35 Jagged
- 36 Rotating mechanism on a helicopter
- 38 Self
- 39 Asian nation
- 40 Burp
- 41 Used a keyboard

### 43 Require

- 44 feather
- 48 Hubbub
- 49 Child
- 50 New living arrangement introduced this year
- 51 Loosen a knot
- 52 Store passage-way
- 54 Drug doers
- 57 Rocket builders

### 58 Pig food

- 60 Aroma
- 61 Diminish
- 62 Little Mermaid's love
- 65 Not safe
- 67 Buck's mate
- 68 Stowe
- 69 Chicago time zone

### SOLUTION TO LAST ISSUE'S PUZZLE

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OUB	AROMA	RATES
ERA	GRAIN	ISAAC
MISS	EST	TNT
AMHERST	POI	GAS
CUT	LITTLEST	
SPA	TELEX	YENTA
CURD	ROMEO	DOER
ORION	COLBY	ARK
WESLEYAN	JIM	
LEE	GAL	RENAMES
MAP	TIC	CONN
BEFIT	TUFTS	USA
EVAOE	INLET	SUP
TENDS	NEEDY	YES



# Students: Want to have dinner with local residents?

## DINNER WITH FRIENDS

The Association of Bowdoin Friends is an informal group of area residents interested in supporting the programs of the College.

In an attempt to foster more interaction and encourage friendships between students and the greater Bowdoin Community, the Association of Bowdoin Friends is continuing to offer dinner invitations to small groups of students.

To participate in "Dinner with Friends," email Dian K. Petty at [diank4@msn.com](mailto:diank4@msn.com) with your name, telephone number, and the best time to reach you by phone. Please include the names of the friend or two you would like to bring along, and don't forget to mention any dietary restrictions.

A dinner host will call you to set up a time and date that is mutually agreeable.

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## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

## ANOKHA troupe stages spring show



Nupur Jhawar '06 (left), Shahez Allidina '07, and other members of the South Asian Society's ANOKHA dance troupe regaled a Smith Union audience with a performance last Saturday afternoon.

Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

## TJ Maxx and Target hit the spot

by Monica Ruzicka and  
Vanessa Kitchen  
COLUMNISTS

Everyone likes a good deal. There's some inexplicable satisfaction in finding what you need (or don't need) for a steal. That is why we hit up sales, shop around, and fall in love with Target and TJ Maxx. Discount stores are the best way to save some cash while not skimping on style. Although Freeport is a Maine mecca for cheap, high quality fashion, Target in Topsham and TJ Maxx at Cook's Corner can be just as promising in what they have to offer. Plus, with one-stop shopping, everything is at your fingertips.

We used to have to venture to Portland to check out the latest Target fashions, but with a branch opening in neighboring Topsham, we won't have to feel like what we've saved in shopping, we spent on gas.

Isaac Mizrahi has been a Target staple for the past few years. For those of us who can't afford his couture designs, the Isaac Mizrahi collection at Target offers a stylish solution. As a renowned designer, Isaac transforms his visions into affordable wear by opting for clean looks in less expensive fabrics. Some of the designs are admittedly "frumpy," but his blazers and skirts make great, classic additions to any wardrobe. He doesn't stop at the clothes, as his shoe collection outshines the others in the aisle. Looking for a cute pair of transitional spring shoes? Try Isaac's metallic gold or silver ballet slippers.

A newcomer to the Target scene is a line called "GO International: Luella." It offers a more rock-edge alternative to the conservatively sweet

Isaac pieces. The clothes are directed toward a younger customer, but, never fear, you won't send out a teenybopper vibe. This line is great for eye-catching accent pieces. The cropped jackets, skirts, and dresses are the most fun and flirty pieces. The skirt selection is especially impressive, so for a new addition to your wardrobe, you might want to try the tulip skirt. For any given season there are trendy pieces that may be defunct in the seasons that follow. Avoid investing a lot of money by shopping at places like

the vast array of choice. TJ Maxx is a hodgepodge of all designers, shop by brand—you know you'll be getting the most for your money. From personal experience, the best deals are found in the clearance denim and shoe departments. Sometimes you hit it, and sometimes you don't, but when you hit it, you hit it big. How about Paper Denim and Cloth jeans for \$21 or Blue Cult jeans for \$30? Those prices will save you a solid \$100-plus more than the usual department store. Granted, not all sizes are available at all times, but it's worth checking out.

Lastly, Wal-Mart has also jumped on the bandwagon for low-price designer lines. Its urban fashion line, Metro 7, features trendy pieces ranging from \$9.99 to \$29.99, geared toward girls in their 20s and 30s. Looking for an outfit for the next Potter Street theme party? For under the cost of two 30-racks, you can make your ensemble the best costume of the night with glittery tops, fun accessories, and outrageous shoes. Cheap chic is the new thing, and finally, sporting the trend-of-the-moment won't break your bank account. The quality may not be on par with more upscale department stores, but considering the quickly changing fashion world, it may be worth sacrificing long-lasting threads for "this minute" looks. These stores aren't waiting for a new season to rotate their stock—you can find new items daily as the next shipment comes in.

Before you invest in those "items of the moment" consider finding cheaper alternatives found at Target

*Although Freeport is a Maine mecca for cheap, high-quality fashion, Target in Topsham and TJ Maxx at Cook's Corner can be just as promising.*

Target to get the styles at a great price. As well as Luella Bartley, Target plans to feature various other foreign designers in the near future, with each designer scheduled to feature their collection for 90 days each. This ups the incentive to hop over to Topsham on a regular basis. You can get the clothes while they're hot for an even hotter fee. If you're more into a sporty, surfer look, Mossimo Giannulli is selling a low-priced line of board shorts and California-inspired casuals perfect for hitting the beach this summer. Taking cues from haute couture, these designer knockoffs or "lower-priced lines" have the same general style and design without the minute details and expensive cloth and stitching.

TJ Maxx is a bit different from Target in that you need to approach the store with an open mind and a great deal of patience. Without these essentials, the store will seem overwhelming and frustrating because of

## Resident musician to take jazz to Topsham

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

When a generous donor gave the music department the opportunity to bring a musician to campus for a residency, the department wanted someone who would have wide appeal. According to Associate Professor of Music Jim McCalla, the department found a perfect fit in jazz pianist Toshiko Akiyoshi.

"Akiyoshi was someone who we thought would be valuable to us and to a range of students," McCalla said.

At the culmination of her six days at Bowdoin this Saturday, Akiyoshi will give a concert with Bowdoin students.

During her residency, Akiyoshi has worked with campus jazz bands, met with students informally over lunch, and attended McCalla's class on jazz-legend Duke Ellington.

"The kids in my Ellington class were absolutely blown away by her," McCalla said. "She was really nice to talk to and open."

"She'd had a lot of interaction and she's earned her money," he said.

Akiyoshi, born in Manchuria to Japanese emigrants, moved with her family to Japan at the end of World War II. There, she was discovered by American pianist Oscar Peterson and moved to America.

During her career, she has played with jazz giants such as Charles Mingus and Miles Davis. Later she formed a big band with husband Lew Tabackin who plays the tenor saxophone and flute.

According to McCalla, Akiyoshi discussed this week how Ellington's use of music to express his African-

American heritage was a philosophical influence for her.

"She composed music that brought in Japanese and Asian concepts of time, color, and melody," McCalla said.

Pianist Aisha Woodward '08, one of four Bowdoin students who plays in the Polar Jazz Band, said Akiyoshi attended two three-hour practices with the band. The big band, which consists mostly of local musicians, will play three of Akiyoshi's charts in Saturday's concert. Akiyoshi will join the band for one of them.

"It's pretty intimidating because we're playing her own music. It's kind of a humbling experience," Woodward said.

Saturday's concert will feature the Toshiko Akiyoshi Quartet, which includes Tabackin, drummer Mark Taylor, and bassist Paul Gill. The quartet will be joined by the Bowdoin's jazz ensembles, and the Edith Jones Project, a local jazz band.

Concerns that Bowdoin's Kresge Auditorium would be too small to accommodate the demand for the concert led the music department to change the venue to Mt. Ararat Middle School's Orion Performing Arts Center, which can accommodate an audience of up to 900. The department has arranged for a shuttle to take concert-goers to the venue in Topsham. Vans will depart from the Moulton Union circle between 6:45 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and will return to campus at the end of the concert.

Tickets to the concert are free and can be picked up today at the Smith Union information desk.

## Carrabasset pale and Gritty's Pub score big

by Carter  
Thomas  
COLUMNIST

GRITTY'S PUB ALE—(\$6.89 for a six pack at Hannaford)

It seemed time for me to say hello to one of my old favorites, Gritty McDuff. Known for his robust taste profiles and witty labeling, Mr. McDuff gave a true clinic in how to make a pale ale with this brew.

Classified as an American pale ale, the beer pours as any pale ale would—light golden tones with a hint of amber entrenched in the depths of the bubbles, all while having less of a head than a stout but more than a lager. In fact, this beer's coloring is lighter than I thought it would be, considering the staunchly brown bottle and typically darker hues that Gritty tends to incorporate into his brews. The label is terrifically lively, displaying a four-person party where one stoic man is raising a barrel of what I can only hope is more of this marvelous beverage.

The color scheme is fairly complementary to other Gritty's bottles, incorporating more of a mundane

palate than say, a Shipyard or a Harp. The fact that it is pub style is also an interesting notion since I am still not sure what makes a beer taste like it is straight from a pub. Do they brew in the smell of smoke? Perhaps they liquify laughter and pour it into the mix. Either way, this beer is a great pale ale. My Scores: Taste: 4.2/5, Label: 3.8/5, Benefit/Cost: 4.5/5.

CARRABASSETT PALE ALE—(\$7.99 at Uncle Tom's)

Keeping true to the Maine microbrews, I picked up a few of these fine pale ales while doing my weekly keg shopping. The first thing I noticed when I cracked the first bottle was the smell—a strong, earthy aroma that let me know this beer came to play. The pour was a darker shade than most other pale ales, looking deep enough to be a mild brown ale but with more hops. Visually, the head is big and had more presence than most, not fizzing out from the beer until the last sip was taken. The taste was powerful but not explosive, allowing me to enjoy the roller-coaster ride of Carrabasset without the dynamite flavorings of, say, Gritty's Christmas Ale.

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## WBOR 91.1 FM DJs OF THE WEEK



Allison Cogen '08 and Abhishek Sharma '07

*What is the best album ever created?*

AC: Neutral Milk Hotel's "In the Aeroplane Over the Sea," Modest Mouse's "The Lonesome Crowded West," and The Magnetic Fields' "69 Love Songs" are all great albums, though.

AS: Any album from Lucky Ali has to be the best one. The soundtrack of "Rang De Basanti" is also awesome.

*What's the best band to see live?*

AC: Limiting it to bands I've actually seen perform, I'd have to say Phish.

AS: Bollywood Dance Group from ANOKHA!

*What song pumps you up?*

AC: Volcano, I'm Still Excited!!'s "In Green" always gives me a strong desire to go do something violent and awesome.

AS: Right now, Roobaroo from the movie "Rang De Basanti" is warming my ears.

*What song brings you down?*

AC: DeVotchKa's "How It Ends"

and Iron and Wine's "Upward Over the Mountain." They're both gorgeous and sad.

AS: "Kabhi Aisa Lagta Hai" by Lucky Ali.

*If you were the dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?*

AC: Soul Coughing's "Casiotone Nation." The lyrics change every time you sing it! It would make me laugh, and drive everyone else crazy.

AS: Mwan...just "DJ Abhishek" pasted million times...

*If you were on stage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?*

AC: That's a scary situation! I'd hand the mic to Abhishek and run away.

AS: First they will need to shut up (so I can talk), and then I will say "Wuzzzzzzup...any brown people in the house?!"

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**Dance group to  
'turn stage into  
club scene'**

*NEBELLUM, from page 1*

department and introduced the public to his "Hyper Hip-Hop" style through his group Double Deuce.

For Kaplan, the long process of booking Nebellen began at a January 2004 art performers' conference in New York City. Former Director of Student Activities Burgie Howard "dragged" Kaplan and fellow committee chair Elaine Johanson '04 to a tiny room where the group was dancing.

"We weren't sure what we were in for since it was such a small room, but right away, they were really high energy," said Kaplan. She also added that the group interacted well with the audience, as "they tried to get Elaine and me up on stage to dance with them." Kaplan and Johanson attempted to book the group for the 2004-2005 Performing Arts Series, but in the end, bumped the group's performance to this year's series.

Kaplan attributed the group's energy to both the group's youth and its diversity.

"They're very diverse in style, with breakdancing versus traditional. They all have different personal style and ethnic backgrounds," she said. "A lot of them are right out of dance school, so it's fresh-feeling."

Kaplan, Isacke, and Patel all agreed that the group appeals to everyone on campus who has an interest in dance, from anyone who has taken a classical dance class to any member of hip-hop groups like Obvious or VAGUE.

In addition to their Saturday night show in Pickard, Nebellen's art directors are holding a workshop Friday afternoon from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Memorial Hall 601 (above Pickard Theater). The workshop is open to anyone interested and a sign-up sheet is available at the Smith Union Info Desk.

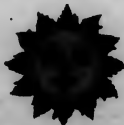
Tickets are also available at the Info Desk for the 8 p.m. Saturday show at. They are free with Bowdoin ID and \$5 for the general public.

Pub and pale .  
each pass muster .

*BEER, from page 7*

Probably the most enjoyable part of this beer was the label; it displayed a flowing river and towering mountains, an obvious reference to the legendary Carrabassett Valley of Maine. It is almost as if I am being whisked away to another world of natural beauties when I drink this beer, but then I realize it is just because the six pack is gone. I would definitely recommend this beer as a good Maine microbrew, another one to add to a long list. My scores: *Taste: 4.0, Label: 4.8; Benefit/Cost: 3.7.*

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## Fashion targets

**FASHION**, from page 7

(or Wal-Mart) that won't run you dry. At the end of the season you won't feel badly about tossing them by the wayside. Although TJ Maxx is another place to find trendy items, with the available classic, high-end fashion brands, you can rest assured that your inexpensive investment will span a number of seasons if you're careful with your choices. The simpler, the better.

Regardless of your fashion sense or your fashion taste, try out the discount option. You might just find yourself reluctant to return to the former comfort (and relative boredom) of department store shopping.

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
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## SPORTS

## Baseball strikes out Tufts in home series

by Tom Lakin  
CONTRIBUTOR

Brunswick, Maine, became broom city over the weekend, as the Bowdoin Baseball Team swept Tufts in a three-game series.

Tufts, which came into the weekend ranked ninth in the latest national DIII poll, left Brunswick looking up at a Bowdoin team that had improved to first place in the NESCAC. Bowdoin played brilliantly in the three games, beating Tufts 3-2 and 3-1 on Saturday, and 4-3 on Sunday. The Bears finished up their home stand with a 7-5 win over Thomas College on Tuesday.

The first game of the series was a hard-fought battle for the Bears. Senior Trevor Powers was magnificent on the mound in a complete seven-inning performance, allowing only one earned run on four hits and finishing with six strikeouts. Ben Simon pitched 6 1/3 innings for Tufts, giving up two runs while Jason Protano picked up the loss for his work in relief. Bowdoin jumped out to a one-run lead in the first inning on a Ricky Leclerc '06 single. Tufts responded with a run of its own in the



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

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Junior Chris McCann was a critical part of Bowdoin's success in Saturday's doubleheader against the Jumbos, scoring three of the Polar Bears' six runs.

## First years bring talent to diamond Runners take off

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

Rewind to March 24 of this year. The Bowdoin Women's Softball Team had just finished its 16-game trip to Florida with a disappointing 5-11 record weighing on its players' shoulders. The team lacked the confidence and maturity to compete with opponents. Now fast forward to April 12 to see a team with a new formula for winning games.

Maybe it was the transition from warm to cold weather that heated up the Polar Bears or maybe it was just the emergence of a very strong and capable first-year class. It is never an easy task for a team to take first-year starters and compete fiercely every game, but the Bears have managed to do both with great success, welcoming seven new players to the team.

These "magnificent seven" have responded fantastically to the challenge, especially Karen Reni '09, who leads the team in wins, ERA, and innings pitched, and Alison Coleman '09, who owns the joint lead for home runs on the squad.

The Bears brought their recent streak of success, five wins in their last eight games, to Wednesday's doubleheader against Colby. The two rivals battled hard and split a tough NESCAC series with Colby taking the first game 1-0 on a moonshot in the fourth inning.

The Bears responded in the second game with great offensive strength as they finally found a way to score on Colby's Lauren Olmstead who shut them out in the first game. Veteran leaders Danielle Chagnon '06, Jayme Woogerd '07 and Brittany Ogden '08 as well as Coleman, accounted for all of Bowdoin's runs, which reignited the Bears' hopes for a successful season.

The team faces Trinity this weekend at home in a doubleheader that starts at 11:00 a.m. The Bears hope to play their best against upcoming NESCAC opponents as they try to finish their season on a strong note in an effort to make it to the post-season play.



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First-year Karen Reni has bolstered the softball team from both the pitcher's mound and the batter's box.

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The women's track team overcame fierce competition and cold winds to post numerous strong performances in the first meet of the season. Traveling down to Tufts University on Friday and Saturday for the Hillside Relays, the women competed against 20 other teams, including Stonehill and Harvard, both DI schools.

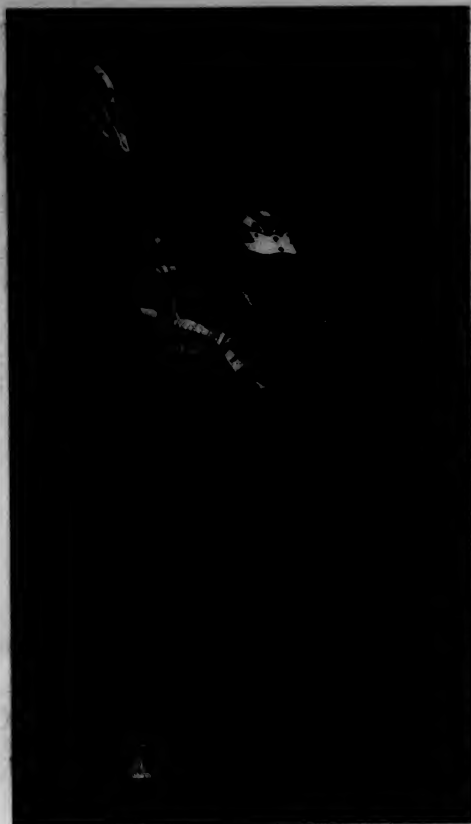
Carrying over her success from indoor track, junior Louise Duffus led the team in first-place finishes, winning both the shot put and the hammer throw, and taking second place in the discus. First-years Chelsea Jackson, Kelsey Bomer, and Shemeica Binns followed Duffus's example, demonstrating the strength and depth of Bowdoin's throwers. Binns, Jackson, and Bomer competed in the shot put, javelin, and discus, respectively. Jackson took second in the javelin throw, while Bomer posted a third-place finish in the discus.

Bowdoin sprinters fared just as well, with many strong races.

"I was particularly impressed with how Erin York ran in tough conditions," coach Peter Slovenski said. "Cold and windy days are tough for sprinters. She made some adjustments in her warm-up routine and race strategy that will allow her to have her fastest races later this month."

York '09 placed ninth in the 100-meter dash, just missing the qualifying time. York added to her personal tally with a fourth place in the 200-meter dash. York teamed up with Ruth Jacobson '06, Emily

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The men's lacrosse team will challenge Middlebury on Saturday at 1 p.m.

## Cardinals stop men's lacrosse

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

The weather is warming up rapidly, and so is the Bowdoin Men's Lacrosse Team. This weekend, the Polar Bears head into the NESCAC portion of their season with a game against Middlebury College, the reigning NESCAC champions. The Panthers will be stiff competition for the Bears, who currently have a 6-3 record, with impressive wins against Williams, Tufts, and Connecticut College.

Last weekend, the team fell to Wesleyan University in an unexpected defeat, losing 6-3 to the Cardinals in its first official NESCAC conference game.

With two goals by Thomas McKinley '06 and a successful shot by Ryan Hurd '06 in the second quarter, the Polar Bears led Wesleyan 3-2 at the half. However, the Cardinals returned to the field with a strong defensive team, stopping Bowdoin's offense, and adding four goals to finish their tally for the win.

"We played well in the game but could not finish down the stretch. Wesleyan is a good team and it was a really close game. We are happy with our effort—if a few bounces had gone the other way we would have come out on top. If we see them again we will emerge victorious," co-captain Connor Fitzgerald '06 said of the team's performance.

This weekend's Middlebury game, in addition to three more

home games, will determine Bowdoin's ranking in the NESCAC and the team's shot at winning the conference title, as well as making the NCAA tournament. Middlebury, like Bowdoin, has one loss in the NESCAC this season. In past years, the Polar Bears have defeated the Panthers at home, and the last two matches went into overtime.

"We have to go into the game expecting it to be close and we want to put ourselves in a position to win," senior Dan Chaput said. "A couple of keys to winning will be playing great defense, face-offs, and winning ground balls. In a really close game, those small things will all add up to make a huge impact. If we can win those parts of the game, we should be in really good shape."

This team has a large roster this season, with many entering first years training for the seasons to come. Co-captains Fitzgerald, Ford Barker '06, Brian Duggan '06, and McKinley are setting the tone with an extremely competitive level of play, as well as leadership on and off the field. Other seniors, including Chris Eaton and Andrew Nelson, have also been strong contributors in the past four years, making a big impact in more recent seasons.

With a powerful core group of experienced players, the Polar Bears are in a good position to be strong competitors for the NESCAC title. The Polar Bears will face Middlebury College on Saturday, at 1 p.m. at Pickard Field.

## Women bear second loss

by Emily Baird  
CONTRIBUTOR

Women's lacrosse endured a tough outing to Middlebury. Playing in the wind and cold on Saturday in Vermont, the Polar Bears seemed out of their element.

After falling to the Jumbos in their first loss of the conference and the season last Monday, the Bears suffered a second defeat, falling to Middlebury 15-6. With a 6-2 record, the Panthers boast a second-place ranking in the NESCAC, while Bowdoin is seeded fifth.

The Bears opened strong and within 10 minutes led Middlebury 2-1. However, Middlebury soon retaliated with a five-goal push, from which Bowdoin never recovered. At the half, Middlebury led 7-4.

Fresh from the break, senior co-captain Brooke Nentwig and junior Taylor White quickly scored two for Bowdoin. However, the Bears could not hold onto this burst of momentum. Middlebury dominated the remaining 26 minutes of play, scoring eight more goals and neutralizing Bowdoin's offensive power. The Panthers closed the game with a 15-6 victory.

Sophomore Lyndsey Colburn and junior Kate Donoghue also picked up goals for the Bears, while first-year goal tender Stephanie Collins-Finn stopped 12 shots.

Although the loss injured their NESCAC standings, the Polar Bears quickly recovered as they brought home a win against the Plymouth Panthers. They dominated Sunday's game in New Hampshire outscoring Plymouth State 15-7. The Polar Bears are now 8-2 overall.

Sophomore Bobbi Dennison led the Bears in goals, scoring four. Donoghue had three, while Nentwig and sophomore Bridget Keating posted two points apiece. Junior Jill Steigerwald, senior co-captain Jena Davis, and first-year Emily Straus also netted one goal each. Goalies Collins-Finn and sophomore Kat Piroff had 11 saves between the two of them.

Bowdoin grabbed the lead after



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Sophomore Ali Draudt works on her stick skills in practice this week.

the opening draw and never looked back. The Bears proceeded to play strongly, with the Panthers only briefly responding with a goal with 12:55 remaining in the first half. After the half, Plymouth scored only one more at the 26-minute mark before Bowdoin took off and scored

five-straight goals for the win. The Polar Bears shouldered a rough beginning this weekend, but returned to Brunswick with a strong win.

Bowdoin will play at home this weekend against Trinity College on Saturday at 1 p.m.

## Men's tennis has rocky start

by Ethan Oberwager  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Tennis Team suffered two consecutive losses in away matches against NESCAC rivals Tufts and Middlebury late last week.

The Polar Bears traveled south to play the Jumbos last Saturday. As a whole, it was quite a struggle for the squad. Junior Sam Bitteti was definitely Bowdoin's bright spot, posting a strong individual effort at No. 1 singles. Bitteti overcame a first-set tie breaker against Paul Roberts to win the next two sets and the match 6-2, 6-2. Bitteti also teamed up with sophomore Garret Gates to win their close doubles match, pro-set 9-7 at the first position.

First-year Alex White was also successful in singles, winning the first set and leading in the second at the third spot until Jumbos opponent Ben Alexander retired from the match.

At the fifth and sixth spots Andrew McDonald '07 and Noah Buntman '08 played hard fought three-set matches, but could not prevail over the Tufts players.

Buntman is not discouraged as the Bears gave the opposition a fierce challenge, despite the difficulties of



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The men's tennis team will challenge Babson this afternoon at 3 p.m.

playing indoors.

"The doubles was fairly close all the way down the line, while singles was difficult to play because Middlebury's indoor courts are fast and they all have pretty big games," Buntman said.

On Saturday, the Bears traveled to Middlebury. On their home court, the Panthers dominated the Polar Bears,

who did not win a single match nor take a set. Gates gave Middlebury the best challenge, narrowly losing to Nathan Edmunds at second singles, 3-6, 4-6. The Bears have had much time to practice since this difficult Saturday and are hoping for success in this weekend's home matches. Bowdoin will face Babson this afternoon today at 3 p.m.



# Davis gets high marks on and off the field

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

Jena Davis '06 nearly quit tryouts for her high school lacrosse team.

## ATHLETE PROFILE

"It was the second day of tryouts my freshman year and my back was killing me," she said.

But Davis, now a senior co-captain and starting attackman on the nationally ranked women's lacrosse team, decided to tough it out that day.

"My mom was certain that trying out with an injured back was a bad idea," Davis said. "She thought that I should stick to other sports. But I wanted to play so badly, I convinced her otherwise."

Playing through pain, Davis made her high school lacrosse team.

Although her back problems have since gone away, she has not lost her tenacity and grit during her four years at Bowdoin.

Davis has been a reliable presence on the lacrosse field and a key contributor to the Polar Bears' offense. Davis has started all 10 games this season, averaging just under 32 minutes a game. She has also netted nine goals and dished out three assists, while scooping up 24 ground balls.

The team has fared well, to say the least, with Davis and fellow senior co-captains Brooke Nentwig and Betsy Rose at the helm. Boasting an 8-2 record, the Polar Bears have been ranked as high as No. 2 in the country for DI, despite playing a difficult

schedule with bouts against Middlebury and Tufts, two of the top teams in the nation.

"Everyone on our team believes we can win every game," Davis said.

Davis attributes the perennial success of the Bowdoin lacrosse team to close bonds with teammates and the opportunity to hold practice at the beginning of the year, in what is commonly referred to as "fall ball." Fall ball involves three days of practices a week and time set aside for conditioning.

Davis believes that the extra practice and conditioning will make the difference down the stretch.

"Fall ball is really important for our team, especially for the freshman, because it helps them acclimate to the school and to the team," she said.

In 2005, the Polar Bears made a strong run in the NCAA tournament, but came up short in the regional semifinal, the Elite Eight, falling to Middlebury.

"[Middlebury] played a good game, but we certainly weren't dominated," Davis said.

In the classroom and off the lacrosse field, Davis has been nothing short of fantastic. Named a James and Sarah Bowdoin Scholar for the past three years, she has also earned 2005 Academic All-American and 2005 Academic All-NESCAC honors.

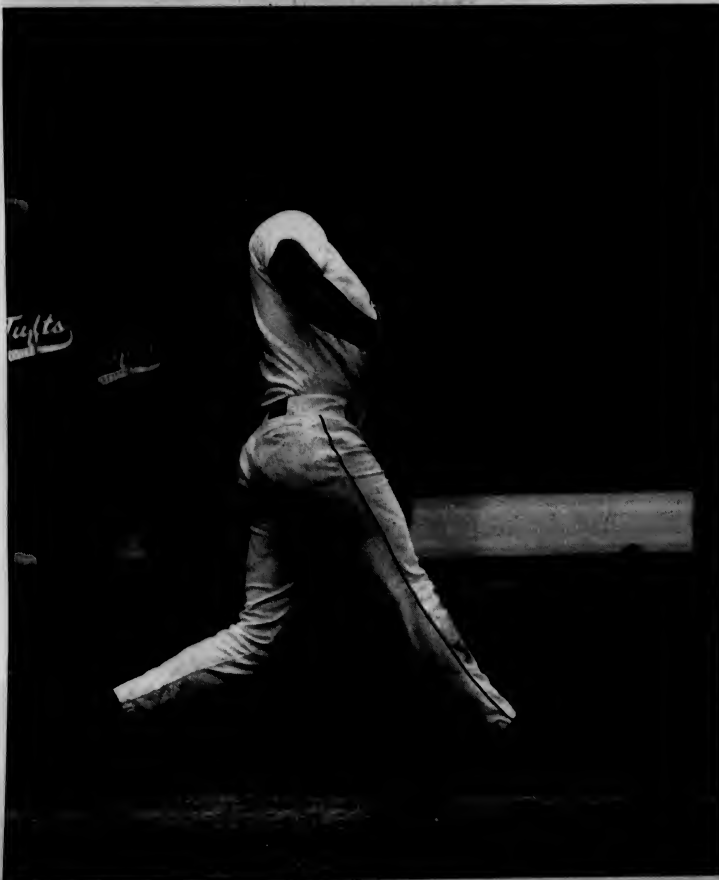
A neuroscience major, Davis is in the midst of completing her honors project. Next year, she will continue her studies in neuroscience at UC San Diego, working toward a Ph.D. She hopes to teach and perform research after she completes her doctorate.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Jena Davis '06 has started in every game this season, averaging about 32 minutes of playing time per game.

## Baseball to take on Colby in three-game series this weekend



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Chris Buccini '06 had three hits in the Polar Bears' second game against Tufts last Saturday. The Bears swept the series.

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third. After Tufts scored a run in the sixth inning due to an off-target throw, the Bears, being only one strike away from a loss, responded with two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to earn the win. Junior John Lawrie had the winning hit, a line drive past the diving center fielder, which plated senior Ben Yormak and junior Chris McCann for the win.

Lawrie's teammates were grateful for his clutch performance, though hitting the ball hard is nothing new for the junior.

"Lawrie's been hitting missiles all year and never catching a break," Jon Kopermiak '07 said. "It was great to see him win the game for us."

Game two was all about the defense for Bowdoin. The Bears have heeded the words of head coach Mike Connolly and shown dramatic improvement in the field recently. Their win in game two can be attributed to a spectacular error-free performance.

"[It was] the best defense Bowdoin has played in any series I have ever been apart of in my three years," junior second baseman Nick Lawler said.

Leclerc and Chris Buccini '06 led Bowdoin with three hits apiece, while Pat Driscoll '08 got the win, pitching seven innings and allowing only three hits and one run. Senior Mark Bulger picked up the save, working the final two innings and giving up only one hit. Bulger, a starter, found himself as the two-inning closer this weekend and stepped up accordingly.

"The games versus Tufts were good baseball games. Tufts played well, but the better team won," Bulger said.

The third game was close. Leclerc had a solid outing on the mound, giving up three runs in 6 2/3 innings of work, while also contributing at the plate with a pair of RBIs. Bowdoin led 3-1 going into the seventh inning, but Tufts

responded with two runs to knot the score at three. In the bottom frame, Jared Lemieux '06 put the Bears ahead, scorching a liner into right-center field, which scored Lawrie who had doubled to lead off the inning. Bowdoin held onto the lead, with Bulger again coming in to seal the win in the eighth and ninth. Zak Smotherman was tagged with the loss for Tufts, while Tyler Turgeon '07 picked up the win for the Bears for his work in the seventh.

McCann, who scored four of the team's 10 runs over the weekend, was impressed with the Bears' play.

"We played like we're capable of and we were fortunate enough to come out victorious in all three games. Defensively we were flawless and guys came through at the plate when it counted," he said.

Coach Connolly noted the tremendous group effort of his team.

"We received contributions from so many guys this weekend that it would be unfair to single anyone out," he said. "The pitching staff was outstanding all weekend and we played great defensively. Offensively, we had guys come through in the clutch when we needed it. The three combined will win you a lot of ball games."

The Bears continued their streak of solid play with a win over Thomas College on Tuesday. Senior Will Waldrop got the win, boosting his record to 3-0 for the year. Kopermiak led Bowdoin at the plate, going 3-4 with a huge solo homer in the sixth. Despite a rocky ninth, new closer Bulger again sealed the win for the Bears.

Bowdoin will take its 14-5 record to Waterville for a one-game stint with Colby today and will play two more games against Colby at home on Saturday. The Bears, who are tied with Trinity for first place in the NESCAC with a 4-2 conference record, hope to extend their four-game winning streak against the Mules.



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Junior Lamont White trains for this weekend's meet against Middlebury.

# Track has strong start

by Pat Pierce  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Track Team traveled to Tufts University to compete in a scoreless early season tune-up. The Polar Bears had numerous impressive performances and showed great post-season potential in last Saturday's meet against teams from all divisions, including Harvard, Colby, Wesleyan, and their hosts, the Jumbos.

Junior Joe Adu led the way, winning the 110-meter hurdle in a scorching 15.41. Teammates Joel Presti '06 and Mike Krohn '09 finished close behind in seventh and eighth place, respectively. First-year Damon Hall-Jones made a strong debut in the 100-meter dash, capturing seventh place in a time of 11.78. In the 400-meter dash, the "Twin Towers" of sophomores Brendan Egan and Eric Lee demonstrated that they were perfectly suited to the wide curves of the outdoor track by earning the sixth and eighth places, respectively.

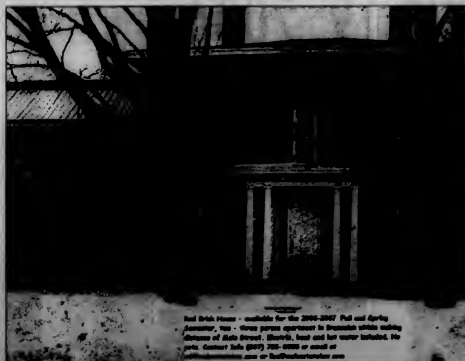
Although the men did not send their whole distance squad to the meet, they still managed to notch some impressive times. Sophomore Nate Krah, arriving ready to rumble against an impressive field in the 10,000 meters, showed that he was prepared for the big leagues by earn-

ing sixth place in 31:22, just narrowly missing the national provisional qualifying mark. In the 800-meter run, junior Owen McKenna snagged fourth place, with a time of 1:57.18, despite nursing a knee injury.

The Bears also had a successful day in the field events. Senior co-captain Patrick Lyons earned second place with a 46'2" toss in the shot put. First-year Luke Fairbanks capitalized on his indoor success by throwing 43'2.5" for fourth place. Senior co-captain Jared Pritchard finished close behind in eighth. Senior Alex Linhart showed good form in the hammer throw, capturing fourth place. Lyons returned to competition later in the day, finishing sixth in the hammer throw. Sophomore David Wagoner-Edwards took eighth place in the pole vault with a jump of 11'5.75".

The Bowdoin relays also fared well. The distance medley relay finished second in 10:46.56. The 1600-meter relay finished fourth in 3:31.43, while the 400-meter relay finished fifth in 44.50 seconds.

The Polar Bears proved their strength and showed that they will likely be top contenders in post-season competition. They are leaving for Middlebury, Vermont, today to face the Panthers and the Colby-Sawyer Chargers.



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MEN'S TENNIS				
		NESCAC		Overall
School		W	L	W L
Middlebury		5	0	14 2
Trinity		4	0	11 0
Williams		2	1	8 2
Amherst		3	3	11 5
Bates		2	2	6 5
Tufts		1	3	4 5
BOWDOIN		1	3	3 9
Wesleyan		0	1	7 2
Conn. College		0	1	1 3
Colby		0	2	6 5
Hamilton		0	2	0 5

SCOREBOARD				
F 4/7	at Tufts		L	5-2
Sa 4/8	at Middlebury		L	7-0

SCHEDULE				
F 4/14	v. Babson	3:00 P.M.		
Sa 4/15	v. Bates	2:00 P.M.		

WOMEN'S LACROSSE				
		NESCAC		Overall
School		W	L	W L
Middlebury		5	0	7 1
Colby		4	1	9 1
Amherst		2	1	5 1
BOWDOIN		2	2	8 2
Wesleyan		2	2	7 3
Tufts		2	2	6 2
Williams		2	2	6 2
Trinity		1	3	4 5
Bates		0	3	4 3
Conn. College		0	4	4 6

SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/8	at Middlebury		L	15-6
Su 4/9	at Plymouth State		W	15-7

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/15	v. Trinity	1:00 P.M.		
W 4/19	at Colby	6:00 P.M.		

BASEBALL				
		NESCAC EAST		Overall
School		W	L	W L
BOWDOIN		4	2	14 5
Trinity		4	2	14 7
Tufts		3	3	12 7
Colby		1	2	6 8
Bates		0	3	4 7

SCOREBOARD				
F 4/7	v. Tufts		W	3-2
Sa 4/8	v. Tufts		W	3-1
Sa 4/8	v. Tufts		W	4-3
Tu 4/11	v. Thomas		W	7-5

SCHEDULE				
F 4/14	at Colby	3:00 P.M.		
Sa 4/15	v. Colby	12:00 P.M.		
Sa 4/15	v. Colby	3:00 P.M.		
Tu 4/18	at Brandeis	4:00 P.M.		

SOFTBALL				
		NESCAC EAST		Overall
School		W	L	W L
Trinity		2	0	15 3
Tufts		2	0	16 10
BOWDOIN		1	3	11 15
Colby		1	3	3 12
Bates		0	0	5 5

SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/8	at Tufts		L	6-5
Sa 4/8	at Tufts		L	13-0
Su 4/9	v. Southern Maine		W	2-1
Su 4/9	v. Southern Maine		L	6-1
W 4/12	v. Colby		L	1-0
W 4/12	v. Colby		W	4-0

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/15	v. Trinity (2)	11:00 A.M.		
W 4/19	at Husson (2)	3:30 P.M.		

OUTDOOR TRACK				
SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/8	at Tufts		N/A	

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/15	at Middlebury	11:00 A.M.		
Tu 4/18	Bowdoin Invitational	3:00 P.M.		

MEN'S LACROSSE				
		NESCAC		Overall
School		W	L	W L
Bates		5	0	9 0
Wesleyan		4	1	9 1
Middlebury		4	1	5 3
BOWDOIN		3	1	6 3
Tufts		3	2	7 3
Williams		1	3	4 4
Conn. College		1	3	4 5
Colby		1	4	4 5
Amherst		1	4	2 6
Trinity		1	5	4 5

SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/8	at Wesleyan		L	6-3

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/15	v. Middlebury	1:00 P.M.		
Tu 4/18	v. Colby	7:00 P.M.		

WOMEN'S TENNIS				
		NESCAC		Overall
School		W	L	W L
Amherst		2	0	6 2
Williams		2	0	9 4
Colby		2	1	7 8
Conn. College		1	1	8 4
Middlebury		1	1	7 5
BOWDOIN		1	1	5 8
Hamilton		0	1	9 8
Tufts		0	1	6 6
Bates		0	1	4 5
Trinity		0	2	3 8
Wesleyan		0	0	9 3

SCOREBOARD				
Su 4/9	at Williams		L	9-0

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/15	v. Bates	10:00 A.M.		

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.  
Sources: Bowdoin Athletics,  
NESCAC, College Tennis Online

## Women's track to face Middlebury

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Hackert '06, and Alyssa Chen '08 to run the 4x100m relay, grabbing sixth place.

Gina Campelia '07 captured another sixth place for the Bears in 400 meters. Teammate Alison Pilon '09 took ninth in the event. Campelia and Pilon joined Hackert and Jacobson to make up the 4x400m relay for third place overall.

Making her debut in the hurdles for her third race of the day, Hackert added a seventh-place finish to her tally. Elizabeth Onderko '08 joined Hackert in the 400-meter hurdles, improving upon her seed time. Erin Prifogle '07 also showed great versatility by competing in the 100-meter hurdles, high jump, and javelin, taking fourth, fifth, and 12th, respectively.

Led by Prifogle, the Bears' other high jumpers, Jessie DePalo '08 and Pilon, took eighth and 10th, respectively.

Bowdoin's mid-distance and distance runners also boasted strong performances. Junior Jamie Knight ran through the cold and rain for a personal best, and a second-place finish in the 10k on Friday afternoon. Teammate Amy Ahearn '08 led the Bears in the 800m, placing ninth in a strong field. Sophomore Courtney Eustace represented Bowdoin in the 1500m with a 13th-place finish.

Chen also competed in the pole vault, tying with Becca Perry '07 for 11th place.

The women look to continue their early season success on Saturday at Middlebury.

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### BSG PRESIDENT

**DeRay McKesson**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

### BSG VP OF BSG AFFAIRS

**Dustin Brooks**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

### BSG VP OF FACILITIES

**William Donahoe**

Last year I asked the Student Body to take a chance on me. When I was elected for VP of Facilities I started working on my campaign issues which included permanently extending the Watson Gym hours; providing a working, discounted airport shuttle; and making an online suggestion box.

I have achieved these goals and more including adding weekend hours at Dudley-Coe. I have also been responsible for every campus wide email BSG has sent out in which I try to communicate information on events and services in a relevant and entertaining way. The next year offers more challenges such as planning a new, larger workout facility; providing a better local/airport shuttle; and getting OneCard downtown.

I am completely comfortable with my position. I know who to talk to, how to communicate with the administration, and how to gather information from you, the Student Body, effectively. I spend long hours every week on BSG projects because I am completely invested in this organization. I hope you grant me the opportunity to continue my work and make even more great things happen next year.

### BSG VP OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

**Carolyn Chu**

I, Carolyn Chu, would like to state my candidacy for re-election as Vice President for Student Affairs for the Bowdoin Student Government (BSG). Over the past year I have had the opportunity to sit on BSG in this capacity and have really enjoyed the experience. As VP for Student Affairs, I led major programming events like Nametag Day which included campus-wide raffles, campus-wide pub night, and Dance Dance Revolution (DDR); Winter Carnival which included a battle of the bands, inflatables, and many other events; and Faculty Staff Appreciation Day with an appreciation breakfast, an appreciation performance and an ice cream social.

Other programming done this year includes hot chocolate at sports games, a bus to the Bowdoin-Bates football and the Colby-Bowdoin Hockey game, Polar Bear Nation T-shirt distribution at games, holiday cookie decoration in the dining halls, paper to write love notes on the dining hall tables for Valentines Day, free fluorescent light bulb giveaway with Sustainable Bowdoin, and five bartending classes. Next year, I would like to continue these programming initiatives, as well and introduce new ones. Some new things I am interested in working on doing are a Build Your Own Polar Bear event where students could design their own polar bears, a Colby-Bowdoin Field Day, and a

greater number of small scale programming like DDR and Keno at the Pub.

I also believe that it is really important to have an understanding of what students are interested in having, and hope to get as much input from the student body as possible. If you have any questions about my ideas or initiatives please do not hesitate to call or email me (extension 5805, cchu@bowdoin.edu). Thank you so much for your consideration.

### BSG VP OF STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

**Roman Jackson**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

**Stephanie B. Witkin**

As next year quickly approaches, I think BSG is faced with a crucial question: how can we support and improve student organizations? The S.O.O.C. (Student Organizations Oversight Committee) presently serves as an effective system for chartering new organizations and reviewing those that are already in existence. However, I believe that it is time to work with what is successful in motion so we can progress towards something that is even better. I have some great ideas about how to get the most out of student involvement on campus. First, I think next year provides a wonderful opportunity to improve club leadership. I want to launch a comprehensive training workshop for club leaders to help them develop leadership skills and strategies that will greatly benefit their organizations as well as any future leadership opportunities they may encounter. Rather than simply meeting with key personnel to understand the process of leading an organization, a leadership workshop can teach club leaders how to lead and manage an organization in the most effective and rewarding way possible. Additionally, I would love to create an official "Campus Leader" certification for all club leaders on campus that results from the workshop. Next, I think we need to increase the communication between BSG and the organizations. I would love for every organization to meet with BSG at least once or twice a year to check in, offer suggestions, and hear feedback from other organizations' experience here at Bowdoin. Also, I think that one of BSG's most important responsibilities is its role as the voice of the student body. I would like to strengthen this voice and foster increased communication with the administration. As members of a dynamic learning environment, it is essential that we feel like our opinions and concerns are being heard.

I firmly believe that I can make these ideas into reality because my past experience qualifies me as an organizer as well as a leader. Having served on BSG as a College House Representative during my sophomore year, I understand the workings of our student government and, to put it plainly, I know what it takes to get things done. As a BSG representative and a College House member, I helped to organize events such as the first annual Winter Carnival, buses to Colby for athletic events, a tsunami relief fundraiser, campus-wide parties, student-faculty dinners, barbecues, and a spring concert. Working as the Assistant Head Tour Guide for

Scheduling and Operations this year has allowed me to help lead the tour guides to achieve certain objectives very successfully. I love working as a part of a group and really want to be a part of next year's officer team. Vote for me and help team BSG start off towards a winning season next year! I would greatly appreciate your support.

### BSG TREASURER

**Joshua A. Cippel**

For the average Bowdoin student, the letters "SAFC" are no friendlier than the letters "IRS." This is unfortunate, and I am running for BSG Treasurer because I would like to change this opinion. I don't think students approaching the SAFC on a Monday night should feel intimidated, and while the SAFC needs guidelines to ensure that money is distributed fairly, I believe those guidelines don't have to be complicated.

As chair, I would continue and expand the present chair's practice of holding office hours to meet with students before their allocation requests go before the entire SAFC. I would also like to clarify the Bluebook and make sure that students know not only what the SAFC's policies are, but why those policies exist. In addition, I would like to investigate the possibility of allowing students to submit their requests to the SAFC online. Finally, I recognize that the Student Activity Fee money ultimately belongs to the student body, and I will do my best to keep the SAFC constantly mindful of that. In short, I stand for a friendlier SAFC.

**Rebecca Ginsberg**

My name is Rebecca Ginsberg. I am a junior and running for treasurer of the Bowdoin Student Government. As a sitting member on this committee for the 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 school years, I saw what it takes to successfully hold the position of chair. The central roles of treasurer are to manage the money of the BSG and to act as chair of the Student Activities Fee Committee (SAFC). This body is responsible for allocating over \$500,000 to clubs and organizations that wish to put on events for the Bowdoin community. The distribution of this money makes Bowdoin a better place because it provides a way for the many diverse groups on campus to share their talents, activities and views with the community as a whole. To fulfill this role, I believe the chair must be accessible, organized, patient, meticulous, and experienced. I recognize this, and feel I have these qualities. The SAFC in the past has been thought of as intimidating for club leaders requesting funds. I wish to change this image and create an environment where clubs are not only being helped with their individual events and budgeting, but also in the overall planning of any given semester. After seeing many proposals come through, there is a direct correlation between events planned far enough in advance, good attendance and overall success. I hope to make the SAFC a place where both new and old leaders can come for help to put on successful events. If elected, I plan to continue the weekly office hours begun this year and also hope to work with IT to put the SAFC Blue Book online, to again make the process of getting funds easier.

As class of 2007 treasurer I always kept our class on budget and helped the rest of the officers work out cost-efficient ways to put on the best events possible for our class. I came to know that to be successful in the position of Treasurer, you have to be able to lead and work in a group setting. After almost three years at Bowdoin, I have served on such committees as the Community Service Council, the Bias Incident Group, and the Dining Advisory Committee. In all of these positions I have gained the skills to know the best time to listen and the best time to reach a decision that is in the best interests of the student body. I want to bring these skills and my experience to the position of BSG treasurer, and I hope you'll support me.

### BSG VP OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

**Raymond Carta**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

**Andrew Edwards**

This past academic year was highly successful for the Bowdoin Student Government, many important issues such as the Academic Bill of Rights were addressed and the operating Constitution was refined. Having been a part of these proceedings as a class representative has provided me with invaluable experience, experience which I would like to put to work for the student body as Vice President of Academic Affairs. Throughout this past year I have developed working relationships with much of the school administration; associations which would greatly aid in the completion of any project. Additionally, I have many new ideas of ways to improve our academic experience here at Bowdoin. Several current thoughts of mine include tweaking Blackboard to better serve students and working with the administration on ways to control the financial burden placed on students by ever increasing book costs. These represent just a few of the concerns I have and would work toward solving. If elected as your Vice President of Academic Affairs I will bring experience, fresh ideas, and passion to the job. Improving the quality of our collective Bowdoin experiences is my primary concern; after all, excellence is the Bowdoin way, without drive and motivation we are no better than Colby.

**Burgess LePage**

Greetings from Grenoble, France! Currently abroad, my love for Bowdoin gets stronger each day. I never knew how great we have it until I left! With all this nostalgic love, it seems only right that I long to return to this wonderful place and get back into the swing of things, BSG style. Since some of you don't know me since I am abroad, and since it's impossible to know everyone, keep on the lookout for my campaign trail. Not going to go into a lot of details here, but I will be running for Vice President of Academic Affairs, a position I will be well prepared to take on after having experienced an education that can't even begin to match with the one I am blessed to experience in Brunswick, Maine. Gotta get back to the crossroads and student protests! Au Revoir!

**Charlie Ticsotsky**

Hello, I'm Charlie Ticsotsky. I am running for Vice President of Academic Affairs and would love to receive your vote. After studying

abroad and therefore not being able to be involved in BSG this year, I'm excited at the prospect of returning.

The position calls for someone who is self-motivated, since the constitution does not spell out specific duties for the VP of Academic Affairs outside of positions on trustee and faculty committees. Given my past involvement in Bowdoin Student Government, I am qualified; as Macmillan House Representative in 2004-2005 I volunteered for and was single-handedly in charge of a t-shirt sale and late-night study break, as well as oversaw logistics for the inaugural Winter Carnival.

My top priority will be facilitating the implementation of a system to display books required for your classes prior to the start of the semester. I will look to improve coordination with faculty and student committees of the college relating to academics and the library, and streamline student input regarding academic policies. With a new Dean of Academic Affairs arriving in the fall, I will help with the transition, representing student opinion.

If you'd like to discuss my candidacy or if you have any questions, do not hesitate to get in touch with me: cticsotsk@ or extension 5299.

### CLASS OF 2008 PRESIDENT

**Jacob Sack**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

### CLASS OF 2008 CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

**Clark Gascoigne**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

### CLASS OF 2009 PRESIDENT

**Christian Adams**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

**Michael Julian**

It's hard to believe that this year is almost over! For many of us, Bowdoin is much more than an academic institution; it is home. Over our next three years here, we will continue to develop an identity as a class, and build character as individuals. For me, I take great pride in being a member of '09 (and the Bowdoin community), and I have the firmest beliefs that as a class we can greatly benefit and grow with my election as class president. I have immeasurable amount of positive energy, and an inexhaustible number of ideas that would help make next year even better than this one. Aside from sick activities I would love our class to host next year, as your class president we will develop friendly, intimate environment with all of Bowdoin. So ask yourself, do you want to be able to bring our class together, with events like BBQs on the quad? Do you want a say in the types of activities we plan? Do you want a leader that is not afraid to approach you? If you are looking for all this, and an overall better year, then please vote for me.

**Lynzie McGregor**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

### CLASS OF 2009 VICE PRESIDENT

**Robert Lyann**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

**Tony Thrower**

The time is now! Change is here and it came in the form of ME. Some know me as Tony Thrower; meanwhile others know me as t-thow fa sho aka Big Black Africa (hit my facebook group up by the way T-Throw aka Big Black Africa is da man Fa sho). I know that if I am elected you won't regret your decision. I have held previous leadership positions such as High School Sophomore Senator, Junior President, and Senior President to a graduating class of 300+, which I believe have prepared me to handle such a role as Class of 2009 Vice President. I work well with others and I believe in letting the people rule themselves. If I am elected everyone in the class will have a chance to get their voice heard, I'm talking about sending e-mails and passing out opinion polls to get your approval for everything we do as a class. I always love to talk to people whether my class or not, although it is impossible for me to acknowledge each and every person on campus. So, if you see me around campus just say, "Holla atcha boy/girl," and I will be more than happy to engage in a great conversation. When you think Tony Thrower for Vice President, think more like [You] for Vice President because I'm all about the

people. So remember VOTE T-THOW FA SHO THE PEOPLE'S CHAMPION FOR 2009 VICE PRESIDENT!!!

**Rebecca Spiro**

Are all of the names on the ballot list foreign to you? I know how you can decide who to vote for...Just remember two magic words: Specca Biro! Get it? It rhymes with Becca Spiro! See, that's how easy voting can be. Don't think twice, you already have to do that enough in class, just vote Becca. Even if you don't know Becca Spiro, I know that she really wants to get to know you, and she is ready to step up as the new Vice President for the class of '09 next year. Some of you guys out there probably don't really care about the election. What does student government do anyway, you might ask. Well that's exactly why Becca Spiro is your girl. If you vote for Becca, those student government emails might add a whole new meaning to your life. Your voice will be heard! Becca believes that a strong student government can make all of the difference. VOTE BECCA SPIRO!

### CLASS OF 2009 TREASURER

**Kayla Baker**

There are several reasons why you should vote for me as your Class Treasurer. I am the person who shows up to most of the class functions, and I enjoy meeting new people. I spend a great deal of my time

talking to people so you would most likely find me in my dorm hanging out with people. As Treasurer for the Class of 2009, I know that I would be most capable of managing the class funds and other financial activities. I have prior experience in commercial banking, where I worked as a teller, and was in charge of opening and closing both the bank and the vault each day. My responsibilities at the bank showed that I am an extremely organized and persistent. During this school year's winter break, I attended the Swiss Finance Academy in Harvard Square. At the rigorous, highly selective Wall Street training program, I analyzed Harvard Business School cases, identified the basic duties of investment banks, and met a great deal of different people, all of which were college seniors. Along with my astute mannerism, my previous exposure to finance makes me a great candidate for the position as Class Treasurer. I am most concerned with making sure students' thoughts and ideas for events become reality with the funds available to our class.

**Arden Klemmer**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

**Emily Baird**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

### CLASS OF 2009 COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER

**Rae Fleming**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

**Michael Bartha**

I think that giving back to the community is one of the most important things that we can do. It is for this reason that I want to put my ideas to practice as the Class of 2009 Community Service Officer. As a Los Angeles native, I have had numerous opportunities to help those around me and I have done a large amount of community service including: organizing the adoption of a needy family for my Boy Scout troop, planning and executing conservation projects in the forest regions, volunteering at an AIDS walk, and mentoring and teaching classes in Watts (one of the poorest regions in LA). Today, I continue to be active in the community, tutoring at Coffin Elementary and Brunswick Junior High. If elected, I would organize class service projects reaching out to the community, targeting groups ranging from the homeless to the youth of the area. I have many ideas for such projects, one of which would involve organizing a teddy bear drive around Christmas time to benefit abused women and children, a small yet meaningful gesture to brighten up their holiday. I would strive to ensure that every one of my classmates was well informed of the options available to him or her, and I would be open to any of your ideas

and would work to put them into practice. I believe that community service is a group effort, therefore I would involve as many of you as possible. Let's all give back, together.

### CLASS OF 2009 BSG REPRESENTATIVE

**Sam Dinning**

As a member of the BSG for the past year I have had the opportunity to learn about both the positives and negatives of the current student government. We worked hard to pay attention to concerns raised about the way the BSG ran and successfully instituted a new constitution. We also provided a number of services to the student body. Nonetheless, the need for improvement is undeniable. BSG and class governments must continue to try to expand programs to help the student body and create new opportunities that all students can benefit from. I enjoyed and learned a great deal from my experiences on the BSG this year and I hope to be able to draw on this experience to improve student government next year. For these reasons, I am running for Class of 2009 Representative and ask for your support when voting next Wednesday. Thank you.

**Benjamin Freedman**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

**Elizabeth Gillespie**

*No statement of candidacy received.*

# STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTION 2006

## MEET THE CANDIDATES - MONDAY AND TUESDAY

## VOTE - WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

### THE ELECTION

The BSG and class officer elections will begin April 19 at 8:30 a.m. and end April 20 at 8:30 p.m. The Class of 2007 will vote for its officers in the fall. Voting will take place online at [flattop.bowdoin.edu/vote](http://flattop.bowdoin.edu/vote).

### CAMPAIGNING

Campaigning will be monitored starting today by the Elections Commission, made up of graduating members of the BSG Officer Team, including Molly Dorkey '06, Joe Brazzi '06, and Shrinidi Mani '06; the chair of the J-Board, David Ng '06; and Director of Student Activities Allen Delong.

### EXTENDED DEADLINES FOR '08

The Elections Commission extended the deadline for petitions for the Class of 2008 positions of vice president, BSG representative, treasurer, and community service officer to today at 5 p.m. because only two candidates were running for class offices as of April 12.

### RESEARCH YOUR GOVERNMENT

Go to <http://orient.bowdoin.edu> to search the archives for information about past BSG action.

## BOWDOIN VOTES 2006





# OPINION

## THE BOWDOIN ORIENT

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### Thank you

We ought to be saying "thank you" to the important people in our lives every day—but since this does not always happen, from time to time we consider it appropriate to make a special point of showing our appreciation.

Today is Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day at the College. We would like to follow Bowdoin Student Government's lead by offering our thanks to those people who make the Bowdoin experience so special.

Though on the surface Bowdoin may not look very different from other highly selective liberal arts colleges, students know that it is unique. The College has impressive architecture, excellent food, first-rate academic facilities, and distinguished graduates. However, at the end of the day, it is the people of Bowdoin who make this place special.

We would like to list the names of all the people for whom we are thankful, but that list would be far too long for this space. Some students who frequent Thorne Hall for lunch may point to the two staff members named Patty at the grill and entrée lines, both of whom, like so many other dining-service employees, often brighten a grumpy day. Students might point to Eileen Mullins and the other members of the facilities staff who keep our campus in good condition while building bonds with students.

Then there are faculty members like Professor Laurence or Professor Waterson, who make themselves and their vaults of knowledge accessible to students in the dining hall. Or faculty members like Professor MacEachern or Professor Riley, who make teaching students a priority even as they travel the world. Some of us appreciate Randy Nichols' genuine concern for safety, and others are thankful for administrative assistants like Denise Trimmer who are always helpful in making meetings work. There are far too many faculty and staff members for us to fit in this space—what is most important is that students who are thankful for the Bowdoin adults in their lives take the time to say so.

So to all at Bowdoin who share their wisdom, talents, and knowledge about issues ranging from academics to careers to life, please know that we appreciate what you do.

We do not always say it when we should, so we will be sure to say it today: Thank you.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Aikins hits and misses in abortion op-ed

To the Editors,

I had nothing to do with the anti-abortion poster mentioned in Mike Aikins's op-ed "Posters inflame, do not inform" (April 7), and I do not know who did. I agree that anonymous posters are a very poor means of communication for this discussion. I also agree that the choice of the word "holocaust" is inflammatory. However, I do have three comments.

First, speaking factually, the number of abortions worldwide (not just in America) is indeed around 46 million, reported not only by Priests for Life but the pro-abortion Alan Guttmacher Institute and Planned Parenthood. Second, as a matter of being deceptive and tasteless, I'm sure people would find it far, far more tasteless to show photos of aborted first-trimester fetuses, such as those available at the Priests for Life web site. Third, speaking both morally and logically, if the

question being debated, in the end, is whether taking life through abortion is right, it would seem that whether the "means is very humane" is problematic. As with the death penalty, if it is wrong, doing it quickly and painlessly will not make it right.

I agree with Mike Aikins that legitimate debate, without rancor, is possible, and that there are arguments to be made on both sides. There are some thought-provoking anti-abortion ones at the Atheistic and Agnostic Pro-Life League at [godlessprolifers.org](http://godlessprolifers.org), Libertarians for Life at [L4L.org](http://L4L.org), and Black Genocide at [blackgenocide.org](http://blackgenocide.org).

Sincerely,

Michael Taylor '07

### Abortion and genocide have some parallels

To the Editors:

I would like to respond to Mike Aikins's op-ed "Posters inflame, do not inform" (April 7). Let me begin by admitting that perhaps the use of

the term "holocaust" is touchy, but as a pro-lifer, I feel that likening the abortion situation in this country to genocide is fairly accurate. Aikins insists that abortion is nothing like genocide, even insisting that abortion is "humane." Again, I would agree that abortion does not have the sadism of genocide, but it still has that indifference toward human life. It still involves the will of the many causing the death of the few. If you question whether a fetus is human, consider this: What were you five months before you were born? Were you not a human? Or perhaps you were a human, but not a "person?" That sounds a lot like the rationale used by Stalin, Pol Pot, and many others. I agree that the posters were inflammatory, but they were supposed to be. Even if calling the American abortion situation a "holocaust" was excessive, possibly crossing a line, it was a strong opinion on the matter, not a statement of fact. Finally, it's insulting to call those who are conscious of life issues insensitive concerning historical genocides.

Sincerely,

John Ferriss '08

## GOP campus politics detrimental

by Matthew Schweich  
CONTRIBUTOR

In the March 31 issue of the Orient, Frank Chi '07 wrote that college campuses are no longer "centers of activism," but instead "typify the deadbeat of apathy." Bowdoin is unfortunately an example of this. However, here on campus we suffer this fate not only because of poor culture's substitution for political activism, but also as a result of the actions of the Bowdoin College Republicans.

Before arriving here in August, I eagerly anticipated what sort of political atmosphere awaited me at Bowdoin. Unfortunately, I have been bitterly disappointed. My anger is directed toward the extreme faction that lies within the Bowdoin College Republicans. Their inability to engage in effective debate and willingness to go to any lengths to both offend and shock has left me in a state of utter disbelief.

I am not familiar with the members of the group itself, though I am familiar with their actions during the time I have been here. Why have they chosen to invite extremist speakers on several occasions? Why did their former leader decide to attack senior Alex Cornell du Houx's decision to serve in Iraq? Why did they advocate discriminatory labor policies in Maine by encouraging students to vote yes on Question 1? Why are they now considered an offensive group of attention-seeking radicals instead of the political group which they are obliged to represent?

The answer is simple: Alex Linhart '06 and certain other Republicans opted to represent their extremist views under the banner of the GOP, instead of espousing the more sensible and widely held ideals of the Republican Party.

The Republicans stand to gain nothing with their current petty tactics, and it's sad to see on campus such overwhelming, and unbending, opposition to the political party that currently controls the White House.

Bowdoin's liberal community suffers a sad situation akin to that endured by an athletic team with no one to practice against.

The fact that this nation only has two political parties is sad enough, but I am disgusted when I imagine three more years here of disrespectful, foolish, and meaningless arguments coming from one side. I sincerely hope that certain first-year and sophomore Republicans take it upon themselves to change the direction of a political party that usually holds sound and acceptable beliefs.

I feel we all suffer from Alex Linhart and company's twisted interpretation of conservatism,

because the bad leadership of the Republicans is stifling democratic debate on campus. Everyone here could be better informed about U.S. politics and contemporary issues if political discourse at Bowdoin was competitive, lively, and passionate. Instead, people are not inclined to engage in debate because there does not seem to be anything to gain. The Democrats enjoy overwhelming popularity, while the Republicans are considered a joke minority group of publicity seekers.

Although I affiliate myself with neither party, I still wish students at Bowdoin could enjoy, and benefit from, a lively, active, and realistic political environment.

## Hitting rock bottom

These Revelations Will  
Not Be Televised

by Steve  
Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Listen, we didn't ask you here today to watch "Corwin's Quest: Realm of the Yeti" on Animal Planet. I know, I know, that is what I said on the phone. We invited you over because I feel... we all feel... that we need to confront you about something.

Yes, I am serious. Wait; before you get upset, just hear me out.

We've been noticing changes in your personality since it began—your behavior, the tone of your voice, your priorities. We all see it. You disappear for long periods of time without leave. We'll all be hanging out, and you'll slide into a back room and lock the door. We all know what you're doing back there.

As your roommate, I can confidently say that it's affected me the most. You don't even try to hide it from me anymore. You'll do it right there in the room—as soon as you

wake up, right before you go to bed, and any number of times during the day. Even if the only times you did it were in front of me, that would be too many. But I know that you do it other places. That's right. People have seen you do it in the library, in the union... And even told me he saw you do it during class on a purported "bathroom break."

What? Yes, of course I'm recording "Corwin's Quest." Try to stay focused, OK?

The point is that you have a problem. It's not the end of the world. I know you, and I know that you can beat it. But the first step is going to be to admit it to yourself, and then you need to be willing to accept our help and support. I'm not saying it's going to be easy, but the effort's going to have to come from you.

What do you mean you don't know what I'm talking about? Don't pull that B.S. on me, man; you know exactly what I'm talking about.

No, not your drinking problem. That's still a bit of a gray area. I'm talking about your webmail addiction.

Now listen, we all do it—nobody's denying that. Hell, we all have to bow

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# Congressman Michaud is right, supporting Israel is progressive

by Neal Urwitz  
CONTRIBUTOR

There's a man for whom I have enormous respect, who has just broken into true power politics. He's an immigrant who worked himself up by making the most of what the people in his new country were willing to do for him. He's an outspoken former labor leader, and an effective one at that. He was the best at making sure that municipal workers got paid on time, which, until he came, had been very problematic. After making his bones this way, he became head of his country's largest union, turning what had been an aging and ineffective organization into the powerhouse it is today and should have been in the first place. He makes clear the things he fights for, saying, "I think there are a lot of people waiting for the moment that someone will fight for their right to make a living with respect, to grow old with respect." The man is not the reincarnation of Caesar Chavez or Eugene Debs, though he might as well be.

He is Amir Peretz, now head of the Labor Party in Israel, and, perhaps more importantly, he is the man who is likely to be in charge of Israel's economy in the next government. Few people who have watched him transform from immigrant to potential finance minister have any doubt that he, as he promises, will reform social services to make his country a more equitable place.

I bring up Amir Peretz because Bowdoin recently played host to another union leader turned politician, Representative Mike Michaud from

Maine's second district. He came to have dinner with students and speak about the progressive nature of Israel and Israel's prospects for peace. And his message was quite clear—Israel's domestic politics are politics we in America could stand to learn from.

Michaud spoke at some length about the composition of Israel's new government, and how it is a reflection of what the people of Israel actually think. To put it simply, the parties that did well either did not take much of a stand on economic issues (Kadima), or wore their socialist, redistributive roots on their sleeves. Amir Peretz's Labor Party was the first major Israeli party to run on an almost exclusively domestic platform, promising that his promotion of greater social services would allow everyone to participate in Israel's economic boom. Avigdor Lieberman's Yisrael Beiteinu did well and consists mostly of recent Russian immigrants who want to participate in Israel's economy. Finally, the Pensioners Party was the big surprise, winning seven seats in its first election (this is unheard of in Israel), and it ran on the platform of increasing Israel's version of Social Security—imagine if the AARP formed a political party, and you'd have the Pensioners Party. And the parties that did poorly? Those that did not speak about economic reform, like the Likud Party, which dropped from over 40 seats to 11. As Michaud pointed out, Israel's electorate believes in redistribution, believes in doing things for the underdog. In short, it believes in giving those who have none some, and that is the very definition of progressivism.

Of course, Michaud also mentioned

relations with the Palestinians—it's hard not to when talking about Israel. There, once again, he showed that it makes sense for a progressive to support Israel. Of course, he still loves the idea of a negotiated settlement. Just about everyone does. This is precisely why Michaud was so unhappy about the election of Hamas. As he said, that makes negotiations—the Progressive's dream—so much harder.

Michaud saved his most important point for last; in response to a question about whether Republicans are more supportive of Israel than are Democrats (courtesy of Alex Linhart), Michaud confidently responded, "No, Democrats are just as supportive, and do care deeply for the state of Israel." That was the pinnacle moment—a Progressive representative telling mostly Progressive students that Progressives should support Israel.

There's a man I have enormous respect for—a self-made man, a union man, and a man just cracking into power politics. He is a man who proves beyond a shadow of a doubt that Israel is a progressive value. The man is not Amir Peretz, though he might as well be. He is my favorite representative, Mike Michaud.

# Students need more dignified leisure time

by Justin Ito-Adler  
CONTRIBUTOR

It is 2 a.m., and tonight I find myself staring at yet another blank page that should be filled with original text citing various arguments and dissertations supporting my thoughts on yet another, arguably brilliant, remarkably dead and definitively European man. As often happens, my mind begins to wander, and after reconsidering the robust acting career of Nicholas Cage ("The Weatherman" was hilarious), the irony of NASCAR (such a rush to get

*In addition, many of us do "stop to smell the roses," but do so with a guilty conscience.*

In any respected institution of higher education, there is going to be a great deal of work, and subsequently, a great deal of effort required. This manifests itself in various ways. Virtue at Bowdoin seems to be defined by one's participation in institutions of athletic prowess, social competence, good looks, academic

dedication, glorified monogamy, direction, motivation, and general concern for social welfare cumulatively combined into an amalgamation of Puritanical impossibility. While I am not going to venture an argument against the value of any of these things or for their being unique to Bowdoin, I do think there is something missing, and many students here seem to concur.

I am fairly confident that the answer can be found in dignified leisure. You may ask what makes certain leisure dignified. In my understanding, dignified leisure is a well-

deserved, positive, often introspective time. Bowdoin students collectively party at a reputable clip, but in many cases it seems that this is simply a means of relieving the stress provoked by acting as 45-year-olds from Monday to Friday.

In addition, many of us do "stop to smell the roses" but do so with a guilty conscience. When I see peers without a book or a free weight in hand, I am often greeted with, "I really shouldn't be procrastinating," or "I should really get to work." It has been my experience that for many students there is no leisure at Bowdoin—only procrastination—while at Michigan, Florida, Indiana, Pepperdine, and a slew of other schools you can major in leisure management.

Even school breaks are often subject to assessment in terms of accomplishment. At this point I can hear the cries of protest, "How are we supposed to get all our work done? What's so dignified about leisure? I hate you Justin!" Here is my humble suggestion: If you have schoolwork that is plaguing your conscience, then address it, and when you don't have things to do, enjoy your time with a clear conscience and the knowledge that you are still leading a productive and dignified life. Resist the urge to go on Facebook, throw darts at the wall, or play 352 games of NHL '95 with the penalties off until times when you can do so without feeling bad about it.

I am not suggesting that everyone take up a life of sloth driven only by reckless indulgence and mind-altering drugs. Leisure is kind of like candy in that it is a great treat, but over-indulging can either make you sick, obese, or just feel plain bad about yourself. If we take pleasure only in work, what are we working toward? Watch a Nick Cage flick, make fun of NASCAR, stare at pictures of Bridget Moynahan.

You might even find that it helps your other efforts to designate some time as stress-free. Challenge yourself to spend a day, even a week, in which you don't make any mention of work, stress, or procrastination.

Here at College-No-Parents, no one cares all that much about your unbearable workload. We all have a lot of reading to do, papers to write, and tests to take. Seeing as work does take up a lot of time, we all complain from time to time, but if you aren't careful, you could be infringing on someone else's hard-won, dignified leisure time. It's now 3 a.m., and I'm done looking out for all of you. I have a real paper to write and I'm waking up early tomorrow to go running.

"The most desirable thing in life after health and modest means is leisure with dignity."—Cicero

# Tell me how I can help you

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it. But there's no reason to check your mail more than two or three times a day. Now maybe you'll be expecting an email, and you'll check it a little more frequently than usual. Fine. That happens to everyone every now and again.

But you've been checking for new mail 20 to 25 times a day. No, I'm not exaggerating; I've been keeping track. Last Thursday, you checked your web mail 54 times. It was scary, man. You just kept the window open while you were scrolling down your "recently updated" friends' profiles on Facebook, and every 10 minutes you'd pull up your inbox and click the "refresh" button. You weren't even leaving enough time for it to log you out.

How can you say I'm blowing this out of proportion? Look, you're checking your web mail right now! Zach, get him away from that computer.

Try to think about this logically. How often do you get mail that you're actually glad to receive? How much pleasure do you really get from reading the student digest? Or your affiliate house's meeting minutes? Or dorm-wide emails about some jackass pissing in the elevator? Or the steady stream of notices Allposters.com sends you for 50-percent-off sales, even though you specifically unchecked the "send me updates from Allposters.com!" box when you bought your "Reservoir Dogs" poster at the beginning of the year? (Well, was it worth it? WAS IT?)

Sure, you could blame it on socie-

ty. You could blame the culture of relentless information-trafficking. You could blame it on the mysterious "digest engine" for sending 19 student digests per day. You could blame it on Facebook for notifying you each time a friend makes an impulsive (but rarely clever) post on your wall. You could blame Ticketmaster for hectoring you with awful advice such as "Don't miss Disney's 'Snow White on Ice' at the Bank of America Garden!"

Hey, get back here! Brian, block the door! No, just...here, hit him with that giant novelty toothbrush! OK...yeah, just keep him on the ground. Come on, man, do you think we like doing this?

What I'm trying to say is that in the end, the blame rests with you. You're the one who logs on. You're the one who can't go 10 minutes without a fix. You're the one

who, after finding out your grandparents' internet was out, insisted that your family drive around Fort Lauderdale looking for a public library or an internet café just so you could read a solitary digest entry from some guy who's selling his van. You were on vacation, for god's sake!

But this is where the healing begins. We're all here for you, pal, every one of us. We're going to be watching out for you—helping you watch out for yourself—until you've got this thing licked, you understand? Give me a hug. There.

Good. Let's put on "Animal Planet." Next week we'll talk about your coke habit.



Drawing II "Movie Still" projects are on display in the south stairwell of the VAC. From top, the artists are Maud Taber-Thomas '09, Lyndee Colburn '06, Amy Ear '07, Alexandra Krippner '06, and Alexa Lindauer '09.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

## April 14-April 20

### Friday

#### Common Hour

Jason DeParle, senior writer for the New York Times, author, and two-time Pulitzer Prize finalist, will give a speech on the current welfare system in America.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

**Shabbat Candle Lighting**  
Johnson House,  
6 p.m.

#### Faculty-Staff Appreciation Day

Show appreciation for Bowdoin faculty and staff by attending any of several activities including coffee and pastries, appreciation performances, and an ice cream social.

Morrell Lounge, Smith Union,  
9 a.m.-4 p.m.

#### Raw Punk

Rock out at a punk show featuring the popular Portland-based bands Cambiata, Eyes Like Fire, The Leftovers, and High Fivin' White Guys.

Morrell Lounge, Smith Union,  
8:30 p.m.-1 a.m.

#### Robodog Soccer

A team of soccer-playing robot dogs programmed by students will hold a scrimmage in preparation for the annual RoboCup competition.

Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall, 2-4 p.m.

#### Film: "Downfall"

A wide variety of characters tell the story of the last 10 days of Hitler's life in the midst of the chaos of a country falling apart at the seams.

Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

### Saturday

**Know Poverty: Making a Difference**  
Bowdoin alumni tell about the rewards of professional work related to poverty relief over brunch.

Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall,  
11 a.m.-1 p.m.

#### China in the Era of Globalization

Dr. Tianjian Shi from Duke University will deliver a speech titled, "Elections and Chinese Understanding of Democracy."

Room 151, Cleaveland Hall,  
2-4:30 p.m.

**Film: "Downfall"**  
Smith Auditorium,  
Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

#### Jazz Concert

World-renowned jazz pianist and composer Toshiko Akiyoshi will perform a public concert to wrap up her six-day teaching residency at Bowdoin. The Polar Jazz Band, the Bowdoin Jazz Ensembles, and the all-female group The Edith Jones Project will also perform.

Orion Performing Arts Center,  
Mt. Ararat Middle School,  
Topsham, 7:30 p.m.

### Sunday

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

### Monday

#### Ecstasitic Sunshine

Come to a show of music and art held by the Art Union, featuring "Two Guitars, Two Humans."

Visual Arts Center, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### Leadership Lessons

Former Maine Governor Angus King will speak about Joshua Chamberlain and leadership.

Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 7 p.m.

#### Real-Life Feminism

Jennifer Baumgardner and Amy Richards will present a speech titled, "Can I Be A Feminist and Shave, Love My Boyfriend, Make Money, Get Married, and Be Pro-Life?"

Beam Classroom, Visual Arts Center,  
8-9:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### Faculty Seminar Series

Jill Massino, professor of gender and women's studies, will speak on "Marital Roles and Relations in Socialist Romania."

Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 12 p.m.

#### Dulce Memoire

Renaissance musicians from France join two dancers from Florence to perform "Paradis d'Amour," a ball to the court of Henri IV.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
8:30-10 p.m.

### Thursday

#### ASA Dance

Members of the Asian Student Association perform traditional and modern cultural dances.

Morrell Lounge, Smith Union,  
8-10 p.m.

#### Spring Dance

Come to a performance of class projects, Bowdoin dance groups, independent studies, and other student choreography.

Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall,  
8 p.m. and 9:45 p.m.

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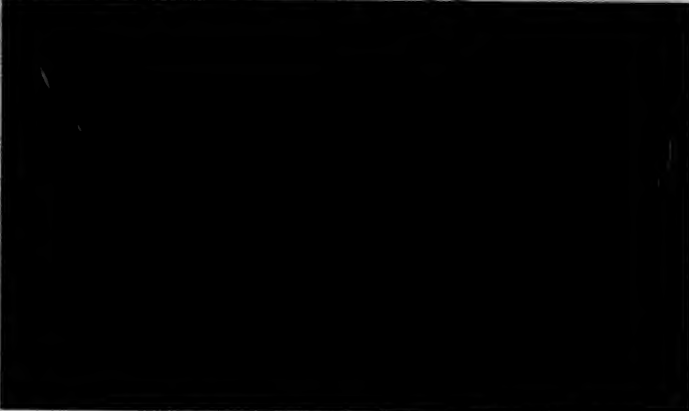
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## Spring show illuminates the best of dancing talents



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The Department of Theater and Dance's Spring Dance Concert showcases student works in Pickard Theater. Tickets are free and available at the door for Friday and Saturday's 8 p.m. shows. See story, page 10.

## Foster appointed student affairs dean

by Beth Kowitz  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin has decided that the best person to fill the shoes of Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley is one of its own.

President Barry Mills announced Monday that current Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster will take on the position when Bradley leaves at the end of the academic year. According to Assistant to the President Scott Meiklejohn, the search committee made its decision last Friday.

"The committee felt he was the strongest candidate in the pool, and if we could land him, that was really the best choice," he said. "It's not just about continuity. There was a sense that he was the best person for the job."

Meiklejohn noted that although over 60 candidates applied, Foster was the only one who had a complete on-campus interview.

The position description that was circulated called for "an energetic, experienced and highly principled individual" who would be responsible for supervising "a wide variety

of offices and programs to enhance and support students' intellectual and personal growth."

"In the end, the committee felt like it really needed to give Tim the first crack at the interview and that would tell us whether or not we needed to bring someone else to campus," Meiklejohn said.

"We looked at some really great people, but Tim just blew us all away," said committee member Taneisha Wilson '07. She said Foster's vision and knowledge of the College was exceptional.

Foster was also being considered for dean of student affairs at Swarthmore College, where he was named one of the five finalists for the position. Foster, who has been at Bowdoin for 10 years as both the dean of first-year students and the associate dean of student affairs before taking on his current role, said he felt as though he was ready for a change.

"Along the way I've always had different projects that kept me where I felt like I was learning and making a contribution," Foster said. "I felt

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## Self-study highlights decade of change

*Draft of reaccreditation report assesses College's successes and challenges*

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin is a drastically different place than it was 10 years ago, according to a draft of a self-study released by the College this week. Changes over the past decade detailed in the report include a complete reorganization of residential life, a significantly more diverse student body, and a larger faculty.

The report was released in anticipation of the College's once-every-decade reaccreditation review next fall by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). The self-study evaluates the College in each of 11 standards set by NEASC, describing changes since

the last study in 1996, assessing current successes and weaknesses and projecting the future.

The draft was compiled under the guidance of the Self-Study Steering Committee, a group led by Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen. The eight-member committee has representation from students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

The draft report was presented to the Bowdoin community Tuesday in an email to the campus. McEwen and the committee requested that students, faculty, and staff read the report posted on the Bowdoin web site and submit comments before May 8.

At press time, the section on student life and student services had yet to be released to the campus.

Professor of English Marilyn Reizbaum, a member of the steering committee, told the Orient that while reaccreditation is likely a forgone

conclusion, self-study is a valuable process nonetheless.

"We will be reaccredited," she said. "There's probably not a danger

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## Techie team gears up for RoboCup

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Considering the temperate spring weather, it was not surprising to see students flock to a soccer game last weekend to support their friends and classmates. What was surprising was that the spectators actually withdrew from the 60-degree temperatures outside to do so.

Then again, this was no ordinary Bowdoin soccer match. Instead of taking place on an expansive outdoor pitch near Farley Field House, it was played in a small, makeshift indoor arena in Daggett Lounge. Rather than taking aim at an NCAA tournament bid, the team was preparing to compete for a world championship.

And the players were not Bowdoin undergraduates. They were robots.

Last Friday, a crowd gathered in Daggett Lounge to watch as Bowdoin's robotics team held an intra-squad scrimmage with their team of artificially intelligent robotic dogs in preparation for this weekend's U.S. Open robot soccer tournament.



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Spectators cheer as one of the artificially intelligent robot dogs scores a goal. The team will compete in this weekend's U.S. Open in Atlanta.

ment in Atlanta. It is the second straight year and the second time ever that Bowdoin has entered a team in the national competition. In June, the team will vie for a RoboCup

world championship in Bremen, Germany, for the first time, pending the procurement of necessary funds.

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## All-night event to raise funds, cancer awareness

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Many students will be pulling an all-nighter this weekend, but this one will be by choice.

At least 175 Bowdoin students are expected to walk in Bowdoin's first-ever Relay for Life tonight to raise cancer awareness and challenge the notion that the condition does not affect the student population.

Sponsored by Baxter House, the

Relay for Life has garnered the involvement of 15 teams, with a fundraising total of \$20,000. This was the projected goal set by the American Cancer Society (ACS), which sponsors the event annually across the nation.

ACS will use approximately 94 percent of the money raised to go toward cancer research and treatment. The remaining six percent will

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## Two BSG races won by thin margins

by Bobby Guerrete  
ORIENT STAFF

Four of the seven Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) officer positions were unopposed, but nearly a thousand students still chose to vote in this week's balloting.

In the closest competitive race—vice president of academic affairs—junior Burgess LePage received 310 votes, trumping Charlie Ticotsky '07 by only two. For the position of

treasurer and Student Activities Fee Committee (SAFC) chair, Rebecca Ginsburg '07 won with a 20-vote margin over Joshua Cippel '08. Stephanie Witkin '07 will be the next vice president of student organizations, surpassing Roman Jackson '07. The tally in that race was 551-364.

Incumbent DeRay McKesson '07 was re-elected to the BSG presidency. With 949 students voting for the unopposed McKesson, the presiden-

tial race had the highest turnout of any of the seven officer races.

The race's other three incumbents—Vice President of Student Affairs Dustin Brooks '08, Vice President of Student Affairs Carolyn Chu, '07, and Vice President of Facilities William Donahoe '08—also ran unopposed.

Voting began Wednesday morning and ended at 8:30 p.m. Thursday.

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## Self-study shows faculty growth, stronger residential life, more diverse student body

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here that we won't be. But the self-study is not inconsequential. There's something to gain from it."

Reizbaum and Associate Professor of Physics and Astronomy Thomas Baumgart both noted that the past decade has been extraordinarily active.

"It is really a remarkable amount of change, and I don't think that's typical. There has been change in many different areas," Baumgart said.

One of the biggest changes highlighted in the report was the reorganization of residential life. The 1996 report had included an intensive evaluation of student life that recommended that the College seriously address problems created by the fraternity system. Bowdoin subsequently abolished fraternities and created the College House system.

Since 1996, the College has built five new dormitories, transitioned many of the old fraternities into College Houses, and started a renovation of the first-year bricks.

According to the report, after these renovations are completed, "the attention will then shift to improving the quality and quantity of housing for the upper classes."

Junior DeRay McKesson, one of two student representatives on the committee, told the Orient that he believed residential life was the most crucial issue for the self-study. He stressed a need to re-evaluate residential life in light of its substantial positive changes.

"We need an honest discussion on residential life. Now is the time for that check-in," he said.

The centerpiece of the report's appraisal of academic life at Bowdoin was a focus on the redefined goals of liberal education and the recently redesigned course requirements. These requirements—which oblige students to take one course in each of several categories such as "Exploring Social Difference," "International Perspectives," and "Visual and Performing Arts"—were approved by the faculty in 2004 and are fully applicable to the Class of 2009.

The report notes that the College will need to confront various issues raised by the academic changes.

"The challenges for the next decade include alignment of our advising of students with the newly articulated goals of a liberal education, implementation and evolution of the new general education requirements, con-

tinued work on pedagogy and supporting student excellence, and return to the examination of major programs," the report reads.

The draft also noted how efforts to reduce class size have led to an increase in students getting rejected from their requested classes.

The faculty has grown 23 percent since the previous report and will continue to grow in the coming years. The report notes, however, that the College needs to make a greater effort to attract a more diverse faculty.

The report describes Bowdoin's effort to diversify its student body over the last decade as an "all-encompassing" effort. It attributes the increase in students of color—from 13 percent 10 years ago to 26 percent today—to more effective recruiting strategies. The study also notes that students of color are significantly more satisfied with their Bowdoin experience than they were six years ago.

Other changes listed in the report include a more than doubling of the College's endowment since 1996 and a 50 percent reduction in the admission of recruited athletes since the late 1990s.

According to McEwen, the primary concern for Bowdoin's future is making the College's successes sustainable.

"The fundamental challenge for the College is that our aspirations continue to be high and we need to build the resources to meet that challenge," McEwen said in an interview with the Orient.

McEwen, Reizbaum, and Baumgart agreed that the implementation of the curriculum changes and an assessment of the academic advising system were among the top challenges for the College.

McEwen urged the campus community to join the self-study discussion.

"We really need people to read this carefully and give us feedback," McKesson said.

Although Reizbaum and Baumgart said that they received several helpful anonymous comments during the drafting processes, they expect more feedback now that the draft has been released.

Before Bowdoin receives a reaccreditation, a team led by Pomona College president David Oxtoby will conduct a four-day, on-campus evaluation beginning November 12.

According to Reizbaum, the committee will play only a small role in the visit.

## Foster's continued presence on campus will ease transition



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Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster chats with Shrinidi Mani '06, Khalil Sharif '06, and Bier Kraichak '08 on the front steps of Moulton. Foster will take over as dean of student affairs this summer.

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coming into this year that it was time for something new."

Foster, however, expressed his pleasure in staying at Bowdoin, which he said he has a stronger affection for than his alma mater, Dartmouth College, where he majored in geography. Foster earned his master's degree in geography at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

"This place just gets in you," said Foster. "If you want to be a dean of student affairs, I don't think there's a better place in the country. I'm very thankful."

Bradley decided last month to leave Bowdoin to work at the Aga Khan Development Network, an organization dedicated to providing students high-quality educational experiences in some of the world's poorest nations.

He said Foster has headed up several projects that have become accepted as "established patterns" on campus, such as the Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center, the orientation program, and the goal of increasing diversity at Bowdoin. Foster was also instrumental in the creation of the Baldwin Center for Learning and Teaching and improv-

ing health and wellness services on campus.

"He's been a key leader in this division. He has the experience, intelligence, and administrative gifts to solve complicated problems in a thoughtful way," Bradley said of Foster. "We've got a superbly talented administrative leader in Tim."

Bradley also noted that Foster's continued presence will help to balance out other major personnel

changes on campus, such as the appointments of new deans for admissions and academic affairs.

"You need continuity in this place and I think [Foster's appointment] will be helpful. You want there to be some institutional memory—these are very stable communities," Bradley said. "It's very important for students to have a sense of predictability and stability."

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Even though Foster may provide

the College with a sense of consistency, he is not expected to keep the department static.

"In general, I don't think anyone with those kinds of serious responsibilities is given a mandate to keep things the same," Meiklejohn said. "That's usually a formula for slipping backward and stagnation."

Wilson agreed with Meiklejohn. "Bowdoin is definitely in a good place right now," she said, "but [Foster] has his own vision and it will be interesting to see where he's going to take it."

Foster said he plans on creating a sense of continuity but with new points of emphasis. "I'd like to see the work we do here become a model for other colleges, beyond just the college house system," he said. "We have a lot of good stories to tell."

He said he would also like to see an increase in skill-based teaching such as leadership development, a greater role in preparing students to "live healthy lives at Bowdoin and beyond," and help build a stronger community by encouraging healthy relationships. Foster also said he wants to continue his work in increasing campus diversity in the broadest sense.

"Your experience is defined by those around you," Foster said. "We should create a space where healthy friction can occur. We have to create some space and programs for this to happen."

With the change in positions, Foster will also be responsible for overseeing adjustments within the department, including determining who will fill his current position. "One of the key things will be getting my team in place. We'll configure ourselves differently," he said, noting that he does not foresee hiring from outside but will instead reconfigure the current staff. "We have the opportunity now with the transition to think about how we want to organize ourselves for the next 10 years. I'd like to see us take more of a work-team approach."

Meiklejohn said that Foster is "clearly ready to be the number-one person."

"It's not about a hard left turn," said Meiklejohn. "It's about building on a strong foundation and making things better. He's pushing the place forward in a variety of ways."

Anne Riley contributed to this report.

## Disabilities simulation seeks to spark dialogue

by Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

Students Embracing Disabilities (SED) ran a simulation Thursday encouraging students and faculty to experience first hand the daily challenges faced by those with disabilities on campus.

Students from the group handed out glasses, among other items, to students in Smith Union so they could walk around campus for either five minutes or the entire day simulating hearing or visual impairment.

"The purpose of the day [was] not solely to make people aware that students, faculty, and staff at Bowdoin have disabilities. It's more about opening up a conversation about disability. I think a lot of people, including myself, are hesitant to talk about disabilities because we've been

raised to treat them with such hypersensitivity," said Co-President of SED Alicia Wong '07.

"As a result, there is very little dialogue about the subject, and the less people talk about disability, the less people understand it, and the more uncomfortable people are when they encounter it," she said.

SED members also made themselves accessible in the union to discuss issues of disabilities and share their personal experiences with interested students, in addition to holding a dinner Thursday in Moulton to discuss the simulation's outcome.

The group has put up maps of the

College around campus, marking handicap-inaccessible buildings with an "X". Wong said the intention is to highlight the challenges faced by

students with disabilities and not to criticize the College.

"Bowdoin has done a pretty good job administratively" for students with disabilities, said Co-President of SED Brooke James '06.

Alicia Wong '07  
Co-President of SED

Wong and James are two of many students on campus with disabilities. Wong has Arthrogryposis, which prevents upper limb muscles from ever growing, and causes those limbs to have tight joints and consequently little mobility—such as not being able to

bend the elbows.

James has the rare juvenile form of macular degeneration called Stargardt's Disease, which since age 13 has caused her to continually lose sight.

James said occasionally she has to go to the chalkboard to be able to read the professor's notes, which sometimes draws confused looks in big classes. In smaller classes, she said she tells students about her disability at the beginning of the semester so they are not surprised when she has to move around to see.

"It's frustrating when students stare at you," James said. "People shouldn't stare. It's not polite."

Just this week James said a student was staring at her as she viewed her computer monitor at close range in one of the labs.

SED was started several years ago and is advised by Assistant Dean and Director of Accommodations for Students with Disabilities Joanne Canning.

# Diversity weekend introduces perspectives to life at Bowdoin

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

Sixty-six high school students will be traveling to Bowdoin by plane, train, or automobile free of charge this weekend.

These students are all high school seniors and have all been accepted to be a part of Bowdoin's Class of 2010. However, for most of these accepted students, "The Bowdoin Experience" will be the first time they see the College up close and in person, instead of in brochures and on the internet.

According to Interim Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Richard Steele, the decision as to who to invite is largely based on family income, not on race.

Associate Dean of Admissions and Director of Multicultural Recruitment Fumio Sughara agreed.

"It is a diversity weekend, and it is targeted at minority students," he said. "But it's not exclusive—we base this program on who needs it the most."

"There's this excitement about getting the students here," said Sughara.

The Bowdoin Experience has been a part of the admissions process at the College since the early 90s, according to Steele.

"We grew the program significantly in '98 and '99—that's when we moved to the format we're at now," Sughara said.

As Bowdoin has focused on creating an increasingly diverse environment over time, the Bowdoin Experience weekend has flourished, and is now an integral part of bringing diversity to campus.

"Having greater diversity is the most important objective of the College," Steele said.

"It's just a simple formula," said Steele. "When kids come and meet students and faculty it makes a profound impact...and it works."

Over the years, the numbers have agreed.

"Of the students who come to these programs, we'll have a 60 to 70

percent conversion rate," said Sughara.

Every spring, the Office of Admissions selects certain admitted students and invites them to visit campus in person.

The Office of Admissions uses two main tools to determine who to invite.

"If a student has already visited, we typically don't bring them back," Sughara said.

"[Secondly], if a student is not applying for aid, we think the family can afford to make that effort to come and visit," he said. "Many students, for the most part, need assistance to make this trip."

Over the course of the weekend, the students will engage in a number of activities to help them get to know the College. During their time here, the students will have the opportunity to attend classes, stay in dorm rooms with current student, learn about student activities, and see

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"Les Illuminations," the library's one millionth volume, is in the display cases on the second floor of the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library.

## Pearce's collection marks library's millionth volume

by Emma Powers  
ORIENT STAFF

Bowdoin's library system has acquired its one millionth volume thanks to a donation from Jane Webster Pearce. Pearce, an alumna of Wells College, and resident of Green Island, Mt. Desert, Maine, died in 2005, leaving to Bowdoin her collection of 20th century bindings and artist books. Arthur Rimbaud's book "Les Illuminations" of Pearce's collection is the one millionth volume.

Director of Special Collections and Archives Richard Lindemann explained that he and Pearce had met and exchanged letters, but it was not until reading her obituary that he discovered Pearce had decided to bequest her collection to the College.

"It was completely coincidental" that this bequest came at the same time that the library was looking for its one millionth volume, said Lindemann.

Although Pearce had no connection to Bowdoin, she "wanted to put her collection in a place where it would still be available to her family, but also in an institutional setting," Lindemann said.

Lindemann noted the personal connection he feels to Pearce's books.

"I had the opportunity to meet [Pearce] and establish a relationship with her," he said.

He also commented that these beautifully bound books are "simply spectacular—so compelling and so gorgeous."

While acquiring the one millionth volume was a milestone for the library, Lindemann did say that the library was less interested in the quantity of the volumes, and more concerned with the excellence of the collection.

"It's the quality of the collection that matters—we want it to meet the teaching and research interests of the College to make it appropriate for the College," said Lindemann.

Bowdoin Librarian Sherrie Bergman emphasized that the one millionth volume is part of an already impressive collection.

"What is notable is that this is an unusually deep research collection for an undergraduate institution," said Bergman.

The book "Les Illuminations" consists of many components, including a chemise, a slip-case, and hand-marbled paper. These many layers contribute to the overall artistry of the piece, and the poems, lithographs, and hand-crafted binding of the book represent the "different facets of the College curriculum," according to Lindemann.

Bergman agreed, stating that the collection "allows students to see how arts and humanities work together."

Bergman's one regret is that she did not have a chance to meet Pearce in person.

"Each [book] had a personal story...and it would have been wonderful to hear these stories," she said.

Pearce's collection is located on the second floor of the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library in the display cases. "Les Illuminations" sits among the five hundred-thousandth volume of the College, Hawthorne's novel "Fanshawe: A Tale," and with Samuel Deane's "The New England Farmer" and "Geographical Dictionary," one of which might have been the first volume of the Bowdoin library.

According to Lindemann, the collection has been very well-received.

"Everyone tells me how beautiful the collection is...people can really appreciate the objects themselves," said Lindemann.

The College anticipates more collections coming to the library, including Mark Melnicov's collection centered on contemporary writing in Maine. The library will also hold a reception for faculty and staff, and serve doughnuts and coffee for students during exam week to celebrate the one millionth volume.

## Mock election candidates promise real results if elected

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

As part of Professor of Government Christian Potholm's class, Conflict Simulation and Conflict Resolution, seniors Ben Martens and Antwan Phillips have been selected by their classmates to be the two candidates in Bowdoin's annual mock congressional race. Over the next few weeks, the two candidates and their support teams will raise money, create a constituency, and square off in a debate before the election is held on May 7. The election has been held each year for the last 15 years.

According to the Potholm, the mock election is a faithful imitation of the real thing.

"It's art really reproducing life," said Potholm. "It's uncanny how it often works out that a real campaign and this campaign would work the same."

To kickstart their campaigns, the candidates adorned campus with

posters boasting their slogans. Phillips, described by members of BCN's Hype as "real, real, and loud," has coined the equation  $R2+L=Antwan$  as his slogan, while some of Martens's signs read "B Sexy and B Confident."

Both Martens and Phillips have adopted platforms that they say address problems currently facing the student body. Martens's platform consists primarily of four issues: women's issues, housing, alcohol consumption, and green and responsible investing. As part of his platform, Martens hopes to hold a round table discussion involving "male leaders on campus" and "females who have concern" about women's issues. Martens's ideas also include allowing keys to be registered on Thursday nights and legalization of drinking games.

"At this point, now that we have these issues developed, we want people to understand what these issues are," said Martens. "The issues do matter, and it's not just a popularity

contest. One of the great things about this campaign is that even though it's a mock campaign with not much pressure, you can still do a lot for the College."

Phillips's campaign promises include putting printers in dorms, potentially some of them wireless; improving cellular telephone service in dorms; and changing course registration so that it is online.

Phillips said that before he proposed any large plans, he wanted to make sure that they were feasible.

"Our biggest thing is to ensure that anything that we're proposing we've checked and double-checked to make sure that it's something we can implement at Bowdoin," said Justin Strasburger '07, a member of Phillips's campaign.

"We feel that it's important not to run off and say some things we want to see done. We've come up with some ideas not only that we want to see implemented, but that are being

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## Student initiative fights hunger in Brunswick

by Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

When two Bowdoin first years arrived on campus last fall, there seemed to be something missing: an organization helping to fight hunger.

So they decided to do something about it.

Having worked with the Campus Kitchen Project while in high school, Ian Yaffe '09 and David Falkoff '09 decided to bring the program to Brunswick. The Campus Kitchen Project is a national program that links college dining services with community organizations to fight hunger.

"I came here with this affiliation already in place, and the project was something I had wanted to do," Yaffe said.

Traditionally, the Campus Kitchen Project has helped larger universities meet needs in big cities. Bringing the program to Brunswick would represent the first time the project has been implemented in a school and

city of Bowdoin and Brunswick's respective sizes.

"There isn't a model for this type of size, so whatever we do becomes the model," Yaffe said.

Before coming to Bowdoin, Yaffe served on the board of directors of the Campus Kitchen Project in Washington, D.C., and Falkoff spent two summers and a Thanksgiving volunteering with the Campus Kitchen Project in Chicago. Despite their similar visions of initiating the project at Bowdoin, they did not know each other until they were put in contact with one another through the organization's headquarters in Washington, D.C., last fall.

Yaffe and Falkoff collaborated and proposed their plan to Director of Community Service Resource

Center Susan Dorn.

"I was so excited that they were ready to do this," Dorn said.

Working with the Community Services Resource Center, Bowdoin college Dining Service, and Katie Kindick '09, the two students formulated a two-fold plan: through

Bowdoin College Dining Service, the College would provide one meal each month to the Tedford Family Shelter, and it would transport unused food from Moulton Union and Thorne Hall each afternoon to the Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program.

Bowdoin provided its first meal to Tedford Shelter on Saturday, and according to Operations Director of Tedford Shelter Bruce Goodman, the meal "went over very, very well."

Goodman believes that the part-

nership will be successful for two reasons.

First, he said, "It will open up more of a sense of community for the folks here on the weekends."

Just as important, he noted, "It will benefit the folks that bring the meal to see what kind of impact it has had on the families staying here."

Kindick, who serves as the liaison between Bowdoin and the Tedford Shelter for the project, hopes to eventually make the meal donation a bimonthly service. She said that she would also like to see the partnership become more personal.

"I'm working with Tedford now to further the connection so that we aren't just people who come in once a month," she said.

The second part of the project, transferring leftover food from on-campus dining to Mid Coast Hunger Prevention, will begin next week.

Associate Director of Dining

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## Team members will walk from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. tonight

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go toward covering the costs of the event. ACS itself is only paying for the use of Bowdoin facilities.

The decision to sponsor a Relay for Life, which takes place from 7 p.m. on Friday, April 21 through 7 a.m. on Saturday, April 22, grew out of Baxter House's desire to sponsor a charitable organization for the entire year.

After choosing to address the issue of cancer, the house got in contact with ACS. According to Relay for Life organizer Kiel McQueen '08, "Part of the responsibility of being affiliated with the American Cancer Society is sponsoring a Relay for Life."

The organizing committee consists of 15 Baxter House members, divided into pairs, with each pair dedicated to a separate element of the event, such as food, entertainment, publicity, or team recruitment.

McQueen serves as overseer of the event and as a liaison to ACS.

Serving as faculty advisors for the Relay for Life were Assistant Director of Residential Life Lawson Wulsin and Coordinator of Community Service Programs Sarah Seames.

The event is set to open with an introduction by McQueen, followed by a video address by President Barry Mills, then a survivor lap, and an introduction of participating teams, after which the Relay for Life will begin in Morrell Gym.

While each individual need not walk for a specific amount of time during the night, at any given point,

at least one member of each team must be walking.

"The different periods of the night symbolize the stages cancer patients go through," McQueen explained. As the sun goes down, "it symbolizes finding out that they have cancer. As the night goes on, it gets darker, and it's supposed to represent treatment, and when it gets light, it represents the end of treatment," he said.

Relay for Life participants will be

*During the illuminaria ceremony, participants will walk holding their illuminaria bags so that the only light in the gym will be from the glow sticks, which symbolize those who have either lost or survived battles with cancer.*

given illuminaria bags to decorate in memory of those affected by cancer. Included in the illuminaria bags will be glow sticks distributed by the ACS.

During the illuminaria ceremony, participants will walk holding their illuminaria bags so that the only light in the gym will be from the glow sticks, which symbolize those who have either lost or survived battles with cancer.

In addition to the walk, participants will have the opportunity to engage in various entertainment activities throughout the night. There will be a DJ, a hypnotist, inflatable games, four movie showings, video games, and a poker tournament.

On Saturday morning, participants will be treated to breakfast café.

The Student Activities Fee Committee (SAFC), the Bowdoin

Women's Association, the Office of Residential Life, the Class of 2008, Baxter House, and the Athletics Department have made donations to cover the cost of entertainment. Food provided throughout the event is entirely donated from businesses including Papa John's, Dunkin' Donuts, and Starbucks.

For Relay for Life team leader Claudia Marroquin '06, whose mother and grandmother lost their battles with cancer, the event serves as an opportunity to "acknowledge [her] losses."

"By forming a team and fundraising, I have finally talked openly about the ordeal that my family had to go through due to this disease," she said. "Secondly, I really am invested in fundraising

to find a cure. Cancer strikes so many people that there really needs to be a cure."

Relay for Life participant Shrinkhala Karmacharya '06 hopes that the event "will give [students] a break from [their] daily lives and give [them] an opportunity, as a community, to honor and support those who have survived and remember those who have died."

"[I have been] amazed by how responsive this campus has been to making this event a successful one, whether it is by donating money or by participating in the event," she said.

According to McQueen, "We'll definitely do it again next year."

"We want this to be a Baxter tradition and pass the torch on to future generations of Baxter residents," he said.

## McKesson says new BSG officer team will "take us to the next step" next year

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McKesson was optimistic about the officer team's potential.

"Last year, the idea was from transition to stability," McKesson said. "In so many ways we've stabilized."

"This team will be

the team to take us to the next step," he said.

McKesson noted that next year's "big focus" will be on academics and club support.

"The question we will ask will be, 'What is our commitment to academic programming inside of the classroom and outside of the classroom?'" he said.

Programming could include a book club or academic field trips.

McKesson also said BSG will likely push for conversations about pre-major academic advising.

"It's not ideal," he said. "We need to talk about what the ideal is in a way that is constructive."

As for the new focus on club support, student organizations will likely notice a push for increased integration between the treasurer's operations and the work of the vice president of student organizations.

The new team may also bring a new set of dynamics. While this year's slate of officers only had two seniors, this week's election increases the number of seniors to five. McKesson said that he will try to be conscious of this during his tenure.

*"The question we will ask will be, 'What is our commitment to academic programming inside of the classroom and outside of the classroom?'"*

DeRay McKesson  
BSG President

In addition, many of these students have been friends since their early years at Bowdoin. McKesson said, providing a "manageable challenge."

The officer team's first action will be the appointment of students to college committees next month. LePage and Ginsberg are currently studying abroad and will not be actively involved in that process, McKesson said.

The Classes of 2008 and 2009

elected class officers, most of whom work independently of BSG's main body. Sophomore Jacob Sack ran unopposed and will be the Class of 2008's next president. In the Class of 2009 presidential race, Christian Adam's total of 142 votes was enough to displace incumbent Lynzie McGregor's 122 votes. The Class of 2007's election will take place in the fall.

## OFFICIAL BSG ELECTION RESULTS

Source: BSG Elections Commission

### BSG OFFICERS

#### PRESIDENT:

DeRay McKesson: 949

#### TREASURER:

Rebecca Ginsberg: 481  
Joshua A. Cippel: 461

#### VP OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS:

Burgess LePage: 310  
Charlie Ticotsky: 308  
Raymond Carta: 180  
Andrew Edwards: 149

#### VP OF STUDENT

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS:  
Dustin Brooks: 852

#### VP OF STUDENT

ORGANIZATIONS:  
Stephanie B. Witkin: 551  
Roman Jackson: 364

#### VP OF STUDENT AFFAIRS:

Carolyn Chu: 852

#### VP OF FACILITIES:

William Donahoe: 865

### CLASS OF 2008 OFFICERS

#### PRESIDENT:

Jacob Sack: 261

#### VICE PRESIDENT:

Nathan Krah: 106  
Christian Fabros: 87  
Brandon Mazer: 57

#### TREASURER:

John Masland: 136  
Max Palmer: 124



#### BSG REPRESENTATIVE:

Erma Drigo: 191  
Clark Gascoigne: 185

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

OFFICER:  
Alyssa Chen: 180  
Stephen Smith: 76

### CLASS OF 2009 OFFICERS

#### PRESIDENT:

Christian Adams: 142  
Lynzie McGregor: 122  
Michael Julian: 68

#### VICE PRESIDENT:

Tony Thrower: 148  
Robert Lynn: 101  
Rebecca Spiro: 83

#### TREASURER:

Arden Klemmer: 133  
Kayla Baker: 111  
Emily Baird: 72

#### BSG REPRESENTATIVE:

Ben Freedman: 174  
Sam Dimming: 171  
Elizabeth Gillespie: 111

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## Potholm's class launches annual mock campaigns

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implemented right now," he said.

Phillips has also been making visits to first-year dorms to introduce himself, accompanied by boxes of pizza.

"Because the [first years] are the least likely people to know the candidates, that's the easiest place to start fresh. First impressions are huge," Strasburger said.

The candidates, who receive no guaranteed funding of any kind, have also been working to raise money. Martens's team sold concessions at the lacrosse game last Tuesday and is holding a poker tournament this weekend. Phillips' group also plans to sell concessions at an upcoming lacrosse game and sold advertising space in a booklet to be published with information about Phillips' campaign.

Anya Trundy '06, Martens's campaign manager and vice president of the Maine College Democrats, has worked on state house and senate campaigns and is currently working for Maine Governor John Baldacci's campaign for re-election. She agreed with Potholm that the mock election was similar to a real campaign, but also drew a distinction.

"It's surprisingly like a real campaign. I think we try to run it really seriously and as close to how a real campaign would be run," Trundy said.

"The big thing is just the ground game, getting out and meeting people and getting your candidate known. The big difference between them is that normally, you have your party loyalists. You know who's on your side. You've only got a certain proportion of the population to win over. Here, it's hard to tell where everybody falls," she said.

Potholm said that the campaign was ultimately a way to make some concrete changes for the College.

"There's no question about the fact that they get the pulse of the students and take it upon themselves to get the president or dean to commit to changes, whatever it is," Potholm said. "Sometimes the issues are kind of yuppyfied, but they get into some substantial issues because they're listening to the Bowdoin world."

## Robot dog soccer team to compete in U.S. Open in Atlanta this weekend

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The team's faculty advisor, Associate Professor of Computer Science Eric Chown, was introduced to robotic dog soccer several years ago by a Bowdoin alumnus, Doug Vail, who was involved with the national champion Carnegie Mellon University team. Chown then decided to use part of a \$320,000 grant he had been awarded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) to help launch a robotics project at Bowdoin.

Last year, one student, Greydon Foil '05, entered a team in the national RoboCup tournament as an advanced independent study. This year, the team grew to eight. Overall, Chown estimated that between 18 and 20 students have contributed to this year's project in some way.

The robotic dogs are commercial products made by Sony called "AIBOs," which cost approximately \$2,000 each. Once programmed, they are theoretically autonomous, capable of processing visual and auditory stimuli from their external environment and adapting their behavior accordingly.

Using money from his NSF grant, Chown has bought 12 AIBOs over the last few years. This year, the College paid for four additional AIBOs.

Using Mac OS 10 operating systems with C++, Java, and Python programming languages, the students taught the AIBOs how to react to the ball and other players, and how to use visual reference points to orient themselves on the playing field.

The students accomplished this by filtering the camera feed from each dog's snout to include only the particular pixel arrangements (colors) that are relevant to the soccer game, such as the bright orange ball or the yellow goal posts. The students then programmed each AIBO to analyze and interpret the objects in its visual field, to move, and to communicate.

Chown said that each AIBO calculates its position on the field 20 times per second.

Each AIBO "dribbles" the ball by wedging it between the bottom of its mouth and its chest. To make a shot, it rocks back on its haunches and slides down and forward,



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The robot dogs play 4-on-4 matches by processing visual and auditory stimuli from their external environment.

striking the ball with its chest. To block shots, a goalie will lay flat on its chest with its four legs spread out on either side of its body.

While the robots' movements are somewhat comical to watch, the programming that underlies those movements is meticulous. In order to teach each AIBO how to execute a motion, Henry Work '06 and the other motion technicians had to teach each segment of the robot's body to move in a certain way relative to the other segments. This was after the students worked exhaustively to figure out what patterns of movement created the most efficient and effective soccer motions.

Operating with a significantly smaller budget than other schools' robotics projects, members of the Bowdoin team have succeeded in staying on the cutting edge of robotic science. This year, Chown, Foil, Work, and sophomore Yi Zhuang co-authored a paper that was published by the Florida Artificial Intelligence Research Society (FLAIR). Work and Chown will travel to a FLAIR conference in May.

When the Bowdoin team competes in the national and international RoboCup tournaments, they will be squaring off against teams of graduate students from large research universities, many of

whom have committed the entirety of their academic energies toward perfecting their robots' skills. While Chown hopes for the best, he remained realistic about Bowdoin's chances.

"If we can win a match or two in Germany, I'll be happy," he said. "At this point, it's really more about the experience for the students."

"We want to do well," said Work, "but we understand that a big part of the project is scientific endeavor."

Work has been pleased with how the RoboCup project has united Bowdoin students who are enthusiastic about artificial intelligence technology.

"I'm very happy that we have computer science students working together, because in general, the computer science department can be a bit disparate," he said.

Work said that last Friday's scrimmage exposed weaknesses with the AIBOs' ability to calibrate their vision programs to new lighting, a problem that the team hoped to correct before this weekend's U.S. Open competition.

"We try to know our systems very well so that we can make changes on the fly," he said.

Chown said that he was "thrilled" with Friday's scrim-

mage, but agreed that there are several flaws that needed to be ironed out.

"Our decision-making still needs to be faster, our goalie needs to improve a lot, and our vision system needs to be more robust," he wrote in an email to the Orient.

While the purpose of the exhibition was to test for defects in the AIBOs' programming, it also gave Bowdoin students, faculty, staff, and alumni a chance to see the product of the student technicians' labor. The event drew a large crowd whose enthusiasm compared to that at any College athletic event.

Each goal sent the spectators into a tumult, and the referees' judgments elicited several lighthearted catcalls. Some students even heckled the non-sentient athletes.

"Where's the fire, red?" shouted one onlooker after the blue team scored a quick goal. Antics aside, those who attended the scrimmage were generally impressed with the artificially intelligent AIBOs and their programmers.

"This is one of the coolest things I've seen at Bowdoin," said Alex White '08.

"It's phenomenal," agreed Matt Martin '07. "They're going to take over the MLS (Major League Soccer) someday."

## CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY REPORT: 4/13 - 4/19

### Thursday, April 13:

-A student reported a burglary from her motor vehicle that was left unlocked in the area of School Street. Stolen items included a pair of DynaStar skis, ski boots, a CD player, and several CDs.

-A student reported that his unlocked vehicle was burglarized in the front lot of Stowe Inn. Stolen was a blue, turquoise, and white Stewart surf board with the name "Cinnamon Swirl" embroidered on the ankle strap; a black and gray Body Glove wetsuit with boots and gloves; and a large gray storage bag for the above items with the brand name "Destination" on the side.

### Friday, April 14:

-A fire alarm at 30 College St. was activated by a student smoking in a hallway.

-A Coleman Hall student reported that his Swiss Army watch was stolen at Farley Field House between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. while his backpack was left unat-

tended in an unlocked locker.

-A student reported the theft of an i-Pod, cell phone, and several books from a desk at Hawthorne-Longfellow Library. The theft occurred when the items were left unattended from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

-An alarm in Banister Hall was set off during an event in the chapel.

-A student's pocketbook was found at Moulton Union and returned to the student owner.

-A 1998 Jeep Cherokee belonging to a student was vandalized at about 9:40 p.m. while it was parked at Harpswell Apartments. The vehicle was rolled over onto its side. A second student vehicle also received damage. Brunswick Police and Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security are investigating.

### Saturday, April 15:

-A Chamberlain Hall student reported that he was awakened at 3:30 a.m. by two loud kicks to his dorm room door. During the suc-

ceeding hour he received several harassing hang-up calls.

-A large group of local teens consuming alcohol on the soccer field at Farley dispersed and ran when approached by a security officer at 11:45 p.m. One teen was detained and the parents were notified.

### Sunday, April 16:

-A student was transported to Parkview Hospital for treatment of stomach pain.

-A student reported that three of her personal books were stolen from her desk at Hawthorne-Longfellow Library after she left them unattended for several minutes.

-A Coles Tower student reported that profane graffiti was written on her 11th-floor dorm door early Sunday morning.

-Security responded to Chamberlain Hall for a domestic argument and possible assault in progress between a male student and his visiting fiancé. The incident remains under investigation.

-A fire alarm was activated by a malfunctioning light fixture at Stowe Hall.

### Monday, April 17:

-An intoxicated and unresponsive male Maine Hall student was found in Smith Union. The student was transported to Parkview Hospital by Brunswick Rescue for treatment. A report was filed with the Dean of Student Affairs.

-An East Hall student reported that her laptop screen was smashed.

### Tuesday, April 18:

-A green nylon Sierra Club gym bag and contents found at Farley was turned in to Security's property room.

-A Brunswick resident reported damage to her vehicle while parked in the Dudley-Coe parking lot.

-Hawthorne-Longfellow Library staff reported the discovery of over 100 unauthorized flyers on desks and in books at the library.

-A student reported the theft of a small amount of money and a pair of sunglasses from his unsecured vehicle parked at Quinby House.

### Wednesday, April 19:

-A student reported the theft of a laptop computer from a desk at Hawthorne-Longfellow Library between 1:20 p.m. and 1:55 p.m. while he was at lunch. The computer is a silver Dell Latitude 600.

-A student who reported that his book bag containing books and a calculator was stolen from a desk at Hawthorne-Longfellow Library. The items, which had been left unattended for two days, were taken sometime between Monday and Wednesday.

**Safety Advisory:** Many of the crimes reported in this week's Safety and Security Report were crimes of opportunity. We need your help to reverse this trend. The Department of Safety and Security urges you to never leave your valuable property unattended, and always lock your vehicle, room, and lockers. Report any suspicious persons or activity to Security immediately at ext. 3500.

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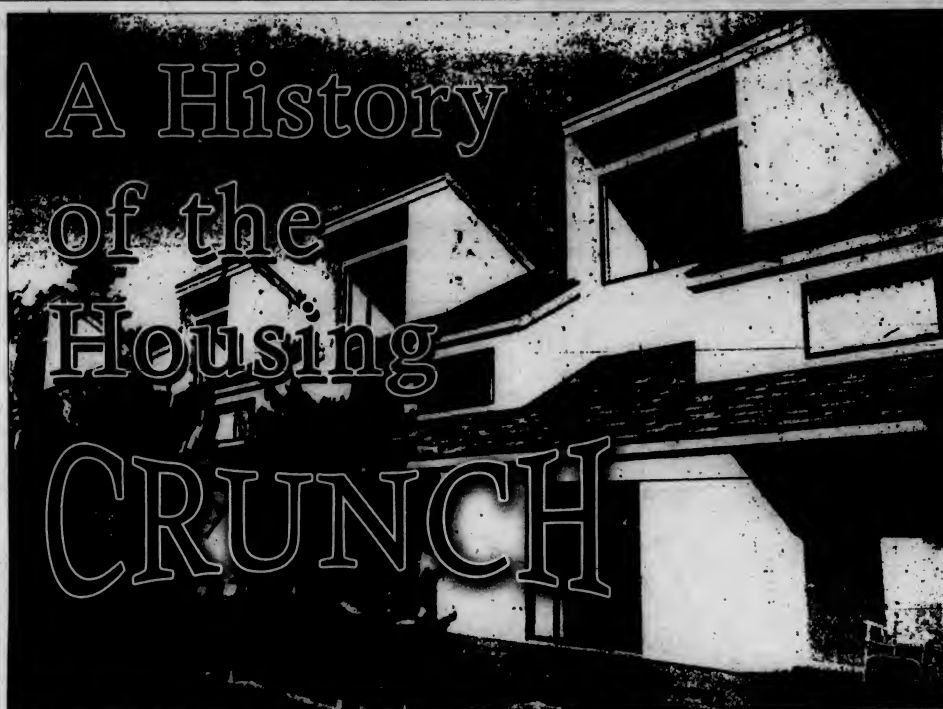
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# FEATURES



by Joshua Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

A number of rising sophomores and juniors who did not get their first choices in housing for next year are deeply disappointed with the current housing crunch at Bowdoin. While unlikely to provide solace for the college students who have fared poorly in the housing lottery, the history of the last

few decades shows that housing crunches are nothing new.

## 1950s - 1960s

The first shortages of on-campus housing in Bowdoin's modern era occurred after the end of World War II.

"A lot of people were coming in on the G.I. Bill," Secretary of Development and College Relations John R. Cross '76 said. "The College went from having

comparatively few students, to the class of 1950 which was a huge class compared to all the others."

According to Charles C. Calhoun's history of the College, "A Small College in Maine: 200 Years of Bowdoin," the end of World War II brought earth-shattering changes to higher education in the United States.

"What had seemed a privilege—a leisurely four years in which to read and write, socialize

with one's peers, and discover one's vocation—suddenly emerged as a right...[a]nd it was a right to be enjoyed by all of American society," he wrote.

From a low of about 300 civilian students in 1942, enrollment at Bowdoin leveled off at 750 by 1950. During the 1960s, the College averaged an enrollment of about 1,000 students, according to

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A 1973 Orient photo of the newly built Pine Street Apartments. Despite adding a number of beds to on-campus housing, the apartments did little to assuage students' thirst for housing at Bowdoin.

Graphic by Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

## Can drunk sex ever be safe sex? It depends on how much you have had to drink...

### Ask Dr. Jeff

Jeff Benson, M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center  
jbenson@bowdoin.edu

Dear Dr. Jeff:  
Is it possible to have safe sex when you've been drinking?  
—A.S.



Dear A.S.: If you haven't had much to drink, it's certainly possible to have safe sex. If your judgment's impaired, on the other hand, then I'm not sure you can—and for the same reasons you probably wouldn't be able to have truly consensual sex.

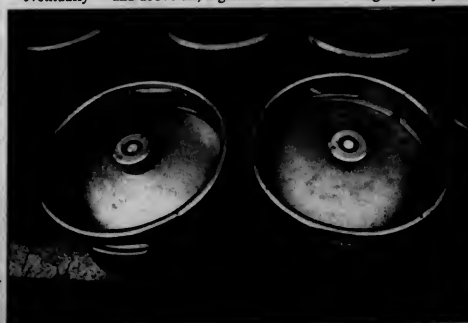
"Safe sex" was promoted in the early 1980s in response to the outbreak of the HIV epidemic. The initial lists of proscribed behaviors were discouragingly long, prohibitively broad, and overly focused on gay men. They were also mislead-

ing. There is no such thing as completely safe sex. "Safe" sex recommendations were eventually replaced by "safer" sex recommendations, grounded for many in a more balanced and acceptable understanding of the nature of risk.

People have safer sex to protect themselves and their partners from STIs, including HIV, and from unplanned pregnancies. They understand that sex is more enjoyable if they are not afraid. Safer sex is about what they do, or don't do, and not about who they are. It is about figuring out their own "risk limits," and then avoiding sexual activities that fall outside of them. Safer sex practices

require self-reflection, some familiarity with the "tools of the trade," and above all, a great deal of com-

unhealthy, unsafe, and possibly unwanted outcomes. Getting drunk might allow you to "get a little wild,"



"Drinking heavily, on the other hand, puts you at risk for a variety of unhealthy, unsafe, and possibly unwanted outcomes."

munication between partners. Drinking heavily, on the other hand, puts you at risk for a variety of

simply much less likely in this setting. We also know that heavy drink-

ing leads all too often to unwanted sex.

Studies continue to show that over 70,000 reported cases of campus date rape occur each year, and that up to 90 percent of reported sexual assaults on college campuses involve the use or abuse of alcohol.

Health educators have suggested we think through the risks of sex and safer sex like we do other risks in life, such as driving a car. There are people who simply choose not to drive for fear of getting hurt in an accident. Most people seem willing to accept some level of risk, and try to find ways to reduce it. They wear seat belts, maintain their cars, drive defensively, and avoid driving in bad weather—or after drinking.

Practicing safer sex is really very similar.

Be well!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center

# Housing crunches hound Bowdoin's modern history in '76, '86, '96, '06

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Calhoun. There are currently 1,666 students enrolled at the College.

Construction of the Senior Center (renamed Coles Tower in 1980) was completed in 1964 adding about an extra 180 beds to the College's on-campus housing.

## 1970s

In the early 1970s, "I think housing was pretty much guaranteed for everybody" at the College, Cross said.

"My freshman year [1972] the College was renting rooms at the Stowe House Motor Inn, so I think that there was some pressure [to find housing for students] that was

not being met particularly well," Cross said. "They did certainly guarantee housing, and there were some rooms that could have been doubles but ended up being triples as a result. They did have that overflow situation."

Interestingly enough, Cross added, "we had a few people actually living in what was the President's House—85 Federal Street—on the top floor. Roger Howell, when he was president, had three or four students living in rooms up there as well. I'm not sure whether that was because of overflow, but it may well have been because of a housing crunch," Cross said.

Pine Street Apartments were

completed in 1973. According to Cross, Pine Street Apartments, along with Brunswick Apartments, Mayflower Apartments, and Harpswell Apartments were the popular choices among many seniors. Although the Senior Center had been constructed for seniors only, by the mid-1970s, fourth-year students were drifting toward other housing options.

## 1980s

The 1980s prompted budget deficits on the national scale and housing deficits at Bowdoin.

In an Orient article from the late 1980s, Bina Chadda, a first-year advisor, foresaw the advent of improvements in how the housing lottery—known then as "Room Draw"—was facilitated.

"A computer system may speed things up [in the future]," she said. Chadda was either eerily prescient, or changes in the housing system were executed at a glacial pace: the housing lottery was first computerized in 2004, 15 years after Chadda's 1989 prediction. Until the spring of 2004, each block's number of points—based on seniority—was calculated by hand, according to Lisa Rendall, operations manager of the residential life office.

"The computer system makes the housing lottery a lot easier," said Rendall, who, prior to 2004, calcu-

lated each block's number of points herself.

When asked what she thought of the April, 1988 room draw (housing lottery) situation, rising sophomore Kelly Beekman '91 told the Orient, "I'm sittin' pretty." She had lottery number 1002.

## 1990s

The housing crunch continued in the 1990s. The front page of the April 30, 1993, issue of the Orient trumpeted: "23 Rising sophomores without any campus housing for next year; many feel the College does not care."

According to the article, Doug Ebeling, area coordinator in charge of the housing lottery at the time felt "very badly about the situation for those rising sophomores without housing." He encouraged students not to feel "hopeless" about their situation. Despite his empathetic attitude, students who did not have a place to live in the '93 to '94 academic year were understandably unhappy. "Guiliana Poggio '96 said, 'I think it sucks.' A number of other people in her year share[d] the same sentiment. Jessica Keramas '96 said, 'voice cracking, 'Upset is an understatement.'"

"Ten years ago the College started to get everyone back onto the campus," Cross said.

According to the Bowdoin College Self-Study of 1996, "Students must

make an abrupt transition in their sophomore years, when they find little or no housing available at the center of campus..." The 1996 self-study also notes the "absence of continuity in housing at Bowdoin..."

An April, 1998, Orient editorial, entitled "Sophomores in a bind," lamented that demand for on-campus housing continued to "outstrip the supply," leaving students, especially sophomores, unsatisfied with their options for housing.

"The housing lottery has always been a source of frustration and tension for students," the Orient editorialized. "Few things can more negatively impact a student's academic year than an undesirable living situation. Rising sophomores, in particular have historically had the hardest time in the lottery because upperclassmen get first choice."

A May, 1998 Orient editorial explained it best. "The situation is a simple one: as usual, there are more students on campus than there are beds..."

The situation does not seem to have changed much as Bowdoin enters its 2006-2007 academic year. According to a draft of the 2006 Bowdoin College Self-Study, "With on-campus housing reaching an historic high of almost 95 percent, the College continues to assess its housing needs."



Orient File Photo

Students pick their rooms at the 2005 housing lottery, held in Daggett Lounge. The lottery has been a source of stress for students for decades.



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The 16-story Senior Center, as seen in 1966 (right), was dedicated in October 1964 with great fanfare. The tower, heralded as the tallest building north of Boston at its completion, was renamed Coles Tower in 1980 after the College's ninth President, James S. Coles.

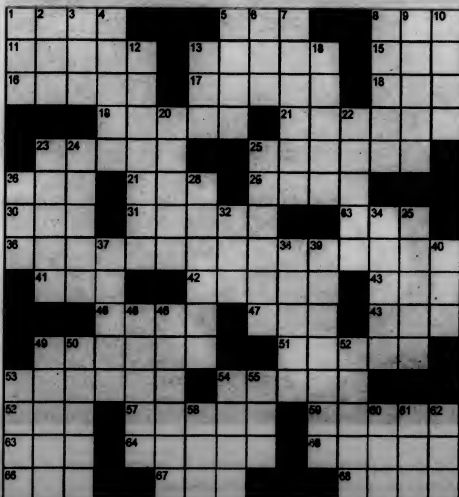
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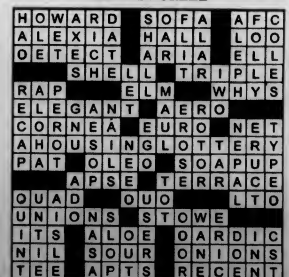
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## SOLUTION TO LAST ISSUE'S PUZZLE





# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Student chefs compete in culinary contest



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Sushi lovers gathered in the Pub last night to watch student chefs compete in Iron Chef, a competition sponsored by the Asian Students Association (ASA) as part of Asian Week.

## Dancers spring to action with show

by Cati Mitchell  
ORIENT STAFF

A variety of Bowdoin dance classes, student groups, and individuals have put their talents together for the 35th annual Spring Dance Show, which premiered Thursday night and will be performed again tonight and Saturday in Pickard Theater.

The show features performers from beginning, intermediate, and advanced classes, who will be performing modern pieces. All other groups or individual dancers earned their spots in the program by auditioning. Student groups include ANOKHA, Vague, and Intersection, a new multicultural group.

Senior Jill Grunna, who will be performing in several different pieces, including one that was independently choreographed, believes that the annual show is a great way to see fellow classmates outside of an academic setting.

"It's really great because most people don't think of Bowdoin as an arts school, but when you come to a show, you get to see a lot of

hidden talent," she said.

Other individual performances include a dance by Erin Lucey '06 and a clogging piece by Ponnilla Samuels '07.

Vague, a jazz and hip-hop dance group, will be performing a piece that incorporates three styles of jazz: Broadway, classic, and street funk.

Megan McCarthy '09, a member of Vague who was active in dance shows in high school, noted, "It feels good to be back on stage."

The two-hour show features 11 dances in styles including modern, jazz, and multicultural.

"It's a really high-energy show and very exciting this semester," said Grunna, who has participated in seven of the eight dance shows put on during her time at Bowdoin.

"It's definitely the most entertaining thing the school has to offer," she said. "The people involved in the show are so passionate and enthusiastic that it just spreads to the crowd."

Tickets for the show are free, and are available at the Smith Union information desk.

### IVES WEEKEND UPDATE

Following last Saturday's Battle of the Bands competition, a panel of judges announced this week that Bowdoin's new band, Grove Overgrown, will open at the O'Connell Center concert next weekend.

## Davich exits comfort zone with music

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

While most seniors have turned their focus to graduation, Eric Davich '06 prepares for another sort of celebration: the performance of his music honors project, "Transcending the Comfort Zone." Davich wrote the piece in eight movements and has employed 35 Bowdoin students and faculty to participate in the orchestra.

"Transcending the Comfort Zone," which plays in Kresge tonight and Saturday night and is conducted by Concert Band Director John Morneau and Assistant Professor of Music Vin Shende, tells the story of a young man who realizes that there is more to life than his current status quo of parties and typical college hedonism. Davich conveys this epiphany both musically and lyrically.

"In terms of college experience, at first you start encountering brand new things and you want to keep going back to that," Davich said. "But, they're never as good. You wonder, why keep repeating the same thing?"

By the end of the piece, Davich's character comes to this realization and resolves to create his own path and stop worrying about what it means to leave his "comfort zone" behind.

The lyrics of "Transcending the Comfort Zone" effectively communicate this message, but the orchestration and harmonies of the movements provide a more subtle and artistic expression of the protagonist's learning experience. Nick Collins '07, who plays the clarinet, described the piece as "pretty

complex" and said that "the music invokes different situations."

In one movement, Collins deliberately plays out of tune to create the party atmosphere.

"It makes you feel disoriented, like you're at a party, like you're drunk," he said.

To develop this complex orchestration, Davich drew on his many musical experiences at Bowdoin.

"I'm aiming to bring in all influences and create an original genre," he said.

In addition to playing in the bands Second Breakfast and Jim Weeks Philharmonic, Davich has also dabbled in jazz and classical and participated in last year's World Music Ensemble, where he learned African drumming.

"People get thrown off by a chamber orchestra and they think classical, but it's not that," Davich said. "But it's not some gimmicky guy trying to write pop music, either."

"The first thing you're reminded of is rock, pop, and jazz," he said. "There's a foundation in African drumming with the woodwinds with this bluesy thing going on, and you're hearing the drummer and the electric bass playing a funk pattern with the woodwinds and brass."

Shende, who helped Davich compose the piece and will conduct the orchestra on Saturday night, recognized the many influences present in Davich's musical and lyrical composition.

"It's a cumulative project that combines jazz, classical, and rock, where

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## Artists use cardboard, prints

### Senior Portraits

#### Fifth in a series

This semester, 16 seniors are presenting art exhibitions signifying the culmination of their artistic careers at Bowdoin. This week, the Orient interviewed Kerry O'Connor, Carl Klimt, and Eli Sidman, whose honors exhibitions are currently on view in the Visual Arts Center (VAC).

**Bowdoin Orient:** Describe your senior art project. What inspired it, and how did you execute it?

**Kerry O'Connor:** The majority of what's in the senior show right now is the product of my independent study with A. LeRoy Greason Professor of Art Mark Wethli. My modus operandi over the past years in the studio has been to stretch several blank canvases, create a library of images, and let the paintings begin to form themselves. I was more concerned with how I was painting rather than what I was painting. That was beginning to create a very large body of paintings, so for this study I was attempting to open myself up to sculpture or any other media that seemed appropriate in order to see what else I was interested in besides paintings.

**Carl Klimt:** My project was a continuation of the same exploration I had begun last semester. At the center of the exploration are the ideas of organization and spatial relations. The collages of mine downstairs relate to the shape, size and color of the other works hung on the wall. That is to say their placement depends on the edges of the works

they're hung next to in an effort to activate the entire wall as one piece. This is why some of our works are unlabeled. The large cardboard train is an attempt to fit a large thing in a relatively small space. This brings to life the space around it in terms of considering scale and spatial relations in a similar, but not the same, way as the collages relate to the other works around them. The image of the train

then fits in with my exploration of toys in stop motion film. These films, two of them, will only be on view during the opening Thursday night.

**Eli Sidman:** My work in our senior show consists mostly of a series I've been working on in and out of class this semester. I've always been inspired by natural and artificial land-

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Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

No, it's not the remnants of last weekend's sleep-out; it's part of Carl Klimt's art exhibition, on view in the VAC until April 27.

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**Rachel Levene '06**

*What is the best album ever created?*

RL: I am going to stick with hip-hop here, and I have to give at least four: Nas's "Illmatic," Notorious B.I.G.'s "Ready to Die," Jay-Z's "Reasonable Doubt," and A Tribe Called Quest's "The Low-End Theory." Also, I know I said hip-hop, but you MUST own Miles Davis's "Kind of Blue" and John Coltrane's "A Love Supreme."

*What's the best band to see live?*

RL: OutKast, because you never know what to expect; and the Beastie Boys, because they are three Jewish boys from Manhattan who can rap, and it doesn't get much better than that.

*What song pumps you up?*

RL: Wow. There are so many...to name a few: "Cherchez Laghost," by GHOSTFACE KILLAH; "Just a Friend," by Biz Markie; "We want the Funk," by

George Clinton and the P-Funk All Stars...and when on the dance floor, obviously, "Poison," by Bel Biv Devou...now you know.

*What song brings you down?*

RL: Anything by Rob Thomas, John Mayer, or Celine Dion.

*If you were the dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?*

RL: HAVA NAGILA (English translation: "Let us rejoice and be glad!") A traditional old-school Jewish party song...you all know how it goes...

*If you were on stage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming fans, what would you say?*

RL: "L'CHAIM!"

Wilkinson can be heard on "Hip-Hop With a Jewish Twist: Promising You One 1997 Bat Mitzvah Jam on the Half Hour," Wednesday nights from 11:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on WBOR 91.1 FM.

## Get out the popcorn, it's film festival time

by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST

"And the Polar Bear goes to..."

The Second annual Bowdoin Film Festival will take place Sunday at 7:30 p.m. in Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall. And even if the idea of seeing Bowdoin's resident film critic judging the competition doesn't thrill you to the core, the idea of seeing young filmmakers in action should.

Film festivals are at the grassroots level of cinema, where directors, actors and technicians all get their start. Big festivals like Sundance and Cannes get the media attention, but it's small festivals where true cinematic passion flourishes and prolific careers begin.

While in Barcelona last fall, I went to the Docupolis film fest and saw many films, including one called "The Curse of the Hedgehog," a documentary about Romanian Gypsies. There was excitement in the air as people ran around to different screenings, trying to catch as much as they can of the art on display. These filmmakers are truly inspiring to be around as well. Money or fame is never the goal at this level, but they desire to make new films out of their love for what they do, and desire to tell stories they see around them.

Previously a longstanding Bowdoin tradition, with legends of students camping outside Pickard Theater for tickets and dressing in tuxes and dresses for the event, the Bowdoin Film Fest was discontinued in 1990. That is until last year, when a group of Bowdoin students decided to revive the event.

Ben Cope-Kasten '06, one of the students involved, said, "I knew that a lot

of people on campus were making films, and it was really surprising to me that there wasn't a forum for that kind of student work on campus."

"Gabe Kornbluh '08 and I met Ben at a Film Society meeting, and he said he was thinking of starting up a student film festival," said film festival co-founder Ivanno Pulito '08. "Then Carolyn Hricko '08 joined us, and we all got really excited about it. We started planning what we could do to bring it back."

This year there are at least 10 films in the competition. They range from five to 20 minutes in length, from docs to fiction films. Judges for the films include yours truly, Associate Professor of Film Studies Tricia Welsh, and Greg Morris (of Bart and Greg's DVD Explosion) will choose the winners in the categories of Best Picture, Director, Performance, Writing, Cinematography/Editing, and the crowd will choose the Audience Award winner.

"The diversity in length, genre, style and level of professionalism is really astounding, and shows there is a wide depth of interest in this," said Cope-Kasten.

This year there will be some additions to the program. During the judges' deliberation period, directors of some of this year's films will come on stage for a Q&A session. This will give students a chance to learn more about the process of making films, as well as encourage more people to take part in the festival next year.

And in the future there are even bigger plans in the works to continue to improve the festival. Once the amount of submissions gets high enough, a list of nominees will be drawn from the

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## O'Connor, Klimt, and Sidman present art shows in VAC

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scapes, and have thus leaned toward exploring them in my artwork. This series is the product of recreating the feeling or atmosphere of a particular landscape/location in more and more abstract ways. I take certain settings that I find interesting and try to "distill" the color relationships and proportions into geometric color shapes. I used aquatinted etchings and acrylic paintings to carry this out.

**Orient:** What were your goals for your project? Did you meet those goals? Did they change during the process?

**KO:** The goal of the project, in the beginning, was to focus less on technique and more on creating some kind of feeling or narrative, some kind of consistent world. I really admired and had in mind the fully developed narrative worlds created by Wes Anderson, the director, and Thomas Pynchon, the writer, in particular...however, I am finding that my brain tends not to work like that. It was a real struggle for me to feel genuine about creating that kind of fiction. At some point I abandoned all intention of creating my fictional universe and went back to my old studio practice, and it was a really good thing I did. Some good came out of it though...there's a self-portrait hanging in the show which I think is really nice, as well as an entire hippo head which I brought back from my safari.

**CK:** My goals were to simply make more work in an effort to discover more about myself through intuitive procedures. I made more work and that was important, but the discovery is never met. That is to say that the goal is ever ongoing.

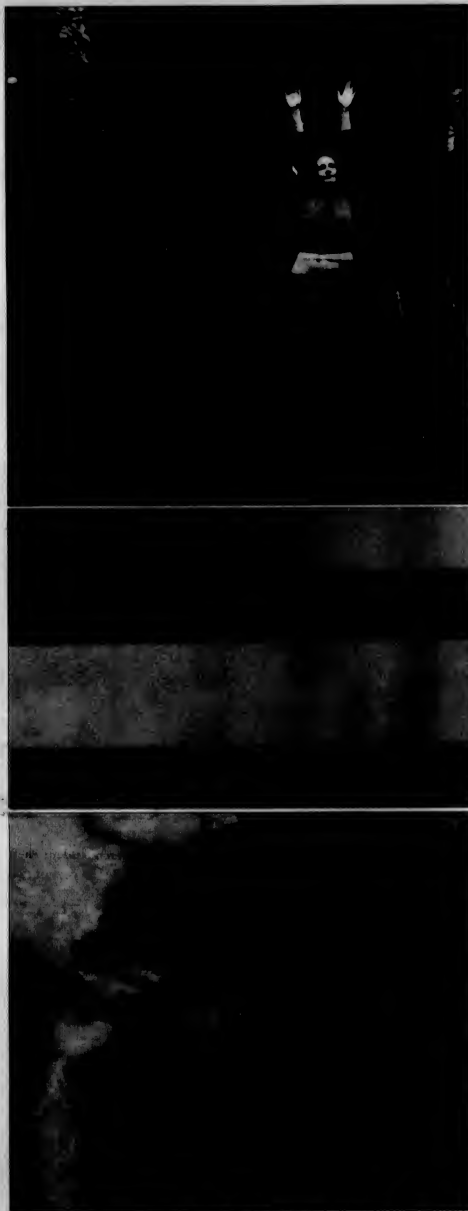
**ES:** One of my goals was to create artwork that conveys the feeling and mood of a setting as I felt it originally. But probably the bigger goal was to show myself I was capable of creating a body of work independent of class, and that I could carry out a good idea in depth. My show is very successful in the latter goal, and hopefully successful in the former for those who see it!

**Orient:** Why did you choose the medium you did? What aspects of your artistic medium do you enjoy that aren't achievable through other media?

**KO:** I chose cardboard originally because it is free and flexible. I could paint, draw or sculpt it, project videos on it, really do anything. I wanted a medium that I could utterly manipulate because I didn't want to have to think about it. As fun as I found this for myself sometimes, I eventually found that I wasn't making anything that was ultimately very satisfying to me. I went back to painting on canvas for the formality and structure of it. The history of painting and its formal nature is something that I like to play off; it gives me a jumping-off point when I start making a painting. There were several boxer paintings that I had in mind, for instance, when I painted my boxer painting, Smirnov's Revenge, with its own twist.

**CK:** For this question I'll answer as if you asked why I chose the materials instead of medium. This is because I work with several mediums. I chose the materials for a variety of reasons, but simply put it was just that they were exciting to work with at the time I was working with them. That's the only way I can retain momentum.

**ES:** Aquatint prints allowed me to work on a small, intimate scale that is hardly possible with other media. Also, because of the way the ink sets on the paper, the color created by these prints is very intense, which is what I really wanted. I used acrylic



All photos by Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Artwork by Emily Johnson (top), Sidman (middle), and O'Connor (bottom), will be on view in the VAC until next weekend.

paint for my paintings because it can be thinned easily and dries very quickly, which is helpful for my geometric shapes. I used certain painting surfaces that best matched the subject of a particular painting.

**Orient:** What do you want people to take away from viewing your project?

**KO:** It's a state of mind more than anything else, and for me, the best place that I get to in the studio would have to be a heartwarming goofiness. You could toss in an occasional transcendence as well, but that's pretty rare. It's incredibly difficult to try to engineer that type of experience for someone, but if that begins to happen it's a great thing.

**CK:** I hope people think it's fun and exciting. The cardboard train makes me smile, and the collages make my eyes excited. I think that's fun. The movies and small wooden sculptures do a similar thing. The portraits, too.

**ES:** I think what I want people to

take away from viewing this series is that despite it being abstract and geometric, the work can convey the mood of the original setting. Ideally, the mood is conveyed on a much more basic level than if I had just painted exactly how the specific settings appeared. Maybe a viewer won't consciously realize this, but hopefully some feeling will register in his or her brain, for a moment at least.

O'Connor, Klimt, Sidman, and fellow senior Emily Johnson's work will be on display in the VAC Fishbowl and Kresge Gallery all this week.

### CORRECTION

Due to an editing error, last week's installment of the Orient's "DJ's of the Week" series incorrectly listed Allison Cogen and Abhishek Sharma's class years. Cogen is actually a junior, and Sharma is a sophomore. The Orient regrets the error.

## Davich orchestrates musical narrative

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the melodies are rock derived and there's jazz orchestration and harmonies," Shende said. "There's a lot of Eric in the biographical sense. It's about a college student in an atmosphere that prays to the false gods of parties and hedonism realizing there's more to life, and he looks for other venues with more of a sense of purpose."

Shende cited the Buddhism classes that Davich took as another influence, where he discussed "the courage to let go of the trappings of the world and not have expectations of certain paths." This expectation of certain paths not only applies to Davich's protagonist, but also to elements of the music itself.

One of the main challenges that Davich faced was not simply composing the piece, but building the orchestra. Most of the performers were recommended to him by other students and faculty, showing that the six degrees

(often less) of separation at Bowdoin does come in handy.

Keiman Willett '07, the piece's flautist, was one such recruit.

"There's a lot of diverse styles, and from that I can appreciate the work that [Davich] put into [the piece]," Willett said. "There's a lot of breadth to the piece. It's a bold work."

The breadth that Willett describes is why Davich wanted so many students involved, in order to have the "big sound" of an orchestra. Shende pointed out that when most people hear "orchestra," they think it will "sound quasi-Mozart, but it's definitely not."

"It has more to do with Pink Floyd and Bill Evans," he said. "There are nice and unexpected turns melodically, harmonically, orchestrally."

For those who want to answer that challenge and hear the music of a budding composer, Davich's show will be tonight and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Kresge Auditorium.

## Festival draws out student filmmakers

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submissions before the festival takes place. A big part of getting to this point is reinstating film production classes on campus.

"They used to have these classes, and it is something that would be really awesome to recapture. Last year was a totally full auditorium, so the interest is there," said Cope-Kasten.

Finally, the organizers offer hope that students will continue to come out and support their fellow students and help the event continue to grow.

"I've seen the films and they're awesome, and even more than things like music or visual arts this is a chance to see things that people on campus are doing that you don't know they're doing," Cope-Kasten said.

And there'll be free popcorn. What more could you want?

## Organic pale wilts; Hennepin shines

by Carter Thomas  
COLUMNIST

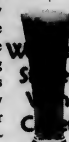
HENNEPIN—(\$8.29 for a four-pack at Warnings)

One of the resident music professors on campus highly recommended this brewing company from Cooperstown, New York, touting its brews as being like none other. So, I picked up a few bottles of this Farmhouse Saison type beer and gave it a rip. Wow, he wasn't kidding. The first quality of this beer that hit me was the incredible carbonation with the head of the beer practically flying out of the glass. It looks almost as though it is champagne the way the bubbles flow up the pilsner glass due to the yeast that is actually packaged in the bottle. The color is a bit darker than a lager, but qualifies as a true Belgian cream color. My taste buds were then introduced to this brew and, I must admit, there are few beers that taste like this. There is definitely a dryness to this beer, but not enough to lose the taste that is so important—fruity, yet full of hops and wheat tones. It is as if there is a full-bodied beer hidden in the cornucopia of bubbles but somehow these two tastes complement each other perfectly. The label is definitely European looking with different-sized rectangles and odd color schemes. Not my favorite, but at least they give you instructions on how to pour the beer on the back (slowly and at 50 degrees). It is hard to find any faults in this beer and I highly recommend it, although the price may be hard to swallow. Luckily, I see that it is 7.7 percent alcohol, which means that this

four pack may actually end up dropping the hammer harder than I thought it would. *My scores: Taste: 4.9/5, Label: 3.1/5, Benefit/Cost: 4.3/5.*

PEAK ORGANIC PALE ALE—(\$7.49 for a six-pack at Warnings)

As my first organic beer, the Peak Pale Ale provided a welcomed change to many of the pale ales I have tried in weeks past. This brew is made by the Shipyard Brewing Company and taps into the market run by those focused on the outdoors—every bottle has a picture that was submitted by a fellow drinker. The most prominent feature of this beer is the smell; it is overpowered by toffee tones and hints of butter. This beer pours darker than most other pale ales, with a hue closer to a golden-red ale. There is virtually no head on this beer, but there are a fair amount of bubbles within the body of the brew, allowing for a full, yet pale finish. As I keep drinking, however, I noticed there is an interesting void between the body of the taste and the aftertaste, as if there is something missing within the ingredient structure. Perhaps I am too used to the MiracleGrow that was sprayed on the barley and hops, or maybe organic beer just can't hack it in today's bio-engineered world. The label is rather exciting, though, as it employs pictures of hikers in valleys, captioned by an inspirational quote by the person who submitted the picture. Did this hike really happen? Who knows, but this is a pretty ingenious marketing scheme for an organic beer. Overall, it is worth a try, but will not give the same punch a regular pale ale does. *My scores: Taste: 2.9/5, Label: 3.8, Benefit/Cost: 3.0.*



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## It's OK to go Solo

by Hillary Matlin  
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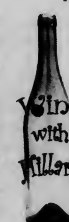
I am not one of those people who go to bars and then order a glass of the house red. The bar is just not a place where I can enjoy a glass of wine. It's loud, crowded, and generally too smelly (though not necessarily in a bad way) to really appreciate the wine, and to be honest, most offerings are not very remarkable anyway.

However, there is an exception to this rule: Restaurant bars are excellent places to sit, munch on a yummy appetizer, and sample a wine from what is usually a varied and interesting list. The experience is wholly different from drinking in a bar—and rather convivial to boot, especially when you have a group of friends with whom to share and switch. Below is my report on one such adventure.

Solo Bistro in Bath, located at 128 Front St., is a tiny jewel of a restaurant. The interior décor is what I would describe as Swedish modern meets Maine country. The furniture is minimalist and somewhat Ikea-esque, but the walls and exposed posts are pure early farmhouse. Downstairs, the sleek bar and one high table comprise the "wine bar," but the regular dining tables easily accommodated me and my guest. For such a small restaurant, there is a surprising array of wines by the glass to be sampled; there are

10 white wines ranging in price from \$5 to \$9 per glass and 15 red wines from \$6 to \$11. The staff was quite knowledgeable, and was happy to bring us a small taste before we ordered.

Last Saturday, I had a wonderful glass of Donnafugata Anthilia (\$9), a blended white wine from Sicily. Its taste is absolutely spring-like, with a pale gold tint. On my second visit, I was fortunate to try Limb, an Australian Shiraz (\$10). I'm not



much of a fan of Shiraz myself, but since the waitress recommended it, I gave it a go and was I ever pleased! I thought it tasted like cherries and bark, and my companion agreed. We both found the lush color and the wonderful aroma to be very intriguing. My guest ordered a glass of Caldero Pinot Grigio. While it was not a favorite for either of us, it was still a nice wine. The smell of the wine was very

buttery but the flavor not at all so, and for me the dissonance was off-putting.

We added to the experience by ordering appetizers: I had pan-seared bay scallops with roasted shallots in a Madeira and butter sauce and my friend tried the braised endive with prosciutto and cream. The food was excellent, and the Shiraz complemented it especially well. The service was impeccable and overall the experience, though pricey, was definitely worth repeating.





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Pat Driscoll '08 was a strong presence on the mound for the Bears against Colby, allowing only five hits in seven innings.

## Baseball cleans up foes

by Tom Lakin  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Baseball Team extended its winning streak to eight games, with wins over Colby and Brandeis. The Bears defeated Colby on the weekend and went on to take down Brandeis over Tuesday. The hometown nine defeated the Mules 11-3 on Friday in Waterville. The Bears returned home to beat Colby in a doubleheader 12-1 and 8-3 on

Saturday. On Tuesday, the Bears successfully overcame the Judges in Waltham easily winning, 11-3.

The first Colby game pitted senior Bowdoin co-captain Trevor Powers against Colby's Sam Kennedy-Smith. Powers was solid, allowing only three runs in seven-plus innings of work to pick up the win. Bowdoin dominated at the plate, with contributions coming from one through nine in the lineup. Senior Jon Koperniak had a pair of hits and

three RBIs, two of which came on a monster homer in the second inning. Senior co-captain and shortstop Chris McCann had three hits and scored three runs for the Bears. Rookie first baseman Joe Berte '09 came up big with three knocks and four RBIs.

Back in Brunswick, game two of the series was more of the same for Bowdoin with Bears dominating on

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## Panthers scratch past lax in OT

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Lacrosse Team rebounded from two consecutive losses with a narrow victory over Colby on Tuesday, defeating the Mules 10-9.

Bowdoin most recently fell to Middlebury in a heartbreaking 12-11 overtime decision and Wesleyan 6-3, before turning on the heat against the Mules.

Bowdoin easily kept Colby at bay in the first half, scoring four goals to Colby's one. Matt Chadwick '07 scored one of his two game goals in the first four minutes, followed by Andy Nelson '06, Kevin Mullins '07, and Ford Barker '06. At the half, the Polar Bears had a comfortable 4-1 lead.

Returning to the field refreshed from the intermission, the Bears scored another five goals with both Chadwick and Nelson netting their second goals of the match. In addition, senior Chris Eaton snagged two goals for the Bears, while Connor Fitzgerald '06 put one in. Barker ended the period with another shot fed by Bryan Duggan '06.

With a six-goal lead, the Polar Bears began to tire, giving Colby an opportunity to make a comeback in the fourth quarter. Catching the Bears off guard, Colby made a rapid recovery, scoring five goals, four of which were within a minute and a half of each other. After scoring the fifth straight goal, Colby won the face-off and held possession for three full minutes, but Bowdoin defensively drove the Mules back to their end. There was a close shot in the last minute of the game from Colby, but senior Charlie Legg's fierce presence in goal saved the game for the Bears. The Bears defeated the Mules 10-9.

Last weekend, the Bears lost a close match to Middlebury. Unable to recov-

er from Middlebury's five first-period goals by the Panthers, the Bears slipped to 11-3 at the half.

Coming off the break, the Bears dominated play with goals coming from Thomas McKinley '06, Chadwick, Fitzgerald, and Mullins. Unprepared for the Bears' comeback, Middlebury allowed two more goals from Ryan Hurd '06 and Barker to tie the match. Although the Bears got the face-off in overtime, they lost the ball, giving Middlebury's Jim Cabrera the opportunity to score the game-winning goal for the Panthers.

Despite the loss, co-captain Bryan Duggan '06 believes the Bears' surprising recovery in the second half demonstrates the team's talent.

"[The Middlebury] game was basically two separate games. The first half, they dominated every aspect: face-offs, possession, transition, etc. The second half we neutralized their face-off man and dominated every aspect. We even held them to zero goals in the second half. It was an amazing comeback," he said.

This coming weekend, the men's lacrosse team will challenge Amherst, another strong NESCAC opponent. The Bears have lost to Amherst for three consecutive years. After falling to both Middlebury and Wesleyan, currently the top two teams in the NESCAC, the upcoming game is even more important for post-season play. "It was good to get back on track against a young Colby team that has had some big wins. It was a really important league victory," Fitzgerald said. "This coming Saturday is another huge league game. It will be a big test for us. Also, the seniors on our team have never beaten Amherst since we have been here, so we are very hungry for a victory."

Men's lacrosse will play Amherst College at home this Saturday at 2 p.m.

## Softball gets back into swing with four wins

by Nick Day  
STAFF WRITER

After a season of ups and downs for the softball team, two emphatic wins over Husson College has put the squad back on track. On Tuesday, the Polar Bears mercy-ruled the Eagles in the first game, then eased to a 7-1 victory in the second game. The Bears improve to 15-15 overall and 3-3 in the NESCAC.

The game remained close in the first game until the fourth inning, when Bowdoin exploded for eight runs. The Polar Bears added seven more runs in the fifth to make the game 18-3. The game was subsequently called because of the 15-run lead.

The offensive juggernaut was led by senior Danielle Chagnon, who went five for five, scored twice, and drove in five RBIs. First-year Emma Powers was also perfect at the plate, going four for four with two RBIs. Every player in the starting lineup had at least one hit.

First-year Karen Reni was solid

on the mound, allowing only five hits and two earned runs over five innings. She struck out five batters.

"We hit the ball very well in both games, got runners on the base path," Powers said. "This is exactly what we needed to boost our confidence and get us pumped for the league games ahead of us."

The second game of the doubleheader featured another lopsided game. Bowdoin scored five runs in the first two innings and it appeared that the Polar Bears might mercy rule the Eagles yet again. But the Eagles' pitching settled down and they held the Bears to only two runs the over the next five innings.

Brittany Ogden '08 put forth a solid effort on the mound in the second game, scattering 11 hits over seven innings. She struck out six and allowed only one earned run in the bottom of the seventh.

The squad has won five straight and boasts a strong 10-4 record for the month of April. The Polar

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Sophomore Sarah Stern slides into home for a run in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader against Trinity.

# Mules kick back women's lacrosse

by Emily Baird  
STAFF WRITER

Despite suffering a disappointing defeat, the women's lacrosse team remains a powerful force.

The Bears started the week with a victory in a home game against Trinity on Saturday. With consecutive losses to Tufts and Middlebury the week before, the Bears were in need of a win to improve confidence and rankings.

Although Trinity took an early lead scoring the first goal, the Polar Bears responded, kicking into high gear to net seven goals in a row. Sophomore Bobbi Dennison netted five of Bowdoin's 13 goals, including two in the row, while junior Taylor White contributed three points. Also scoring for the Bears was sophomore Lindsey Colburn with two goals. Trinity attempted to counter the Bears' charge, tallying another eight goals for a final score of 13-9 in Bowdoin's favor. First-year goalie Stephanie Collins-Finn made a total of 10 saves.

The Polar Bears could not hold the momentum through their next competition, falling to Colby in a close match in Waterville on Wednesday. This latest defeat drops the Bears to 9-3 overall. The Mules, ranked seventh in the latest national poll, boast an 11-game winning streak. The Polar Bears are not too far behind, holding on to the ninth-place spot in the national rankings.

Junior Lydia Hawkins, who attended yesterday's game, enjoyed the competition's fast pace.

"When I arrived for the second half, Colby was winning 5-1," Hawkins said. "Immediately, Bowdoin began to pressure, and rallied to put the score at 7-7. Both teams had moments of great intensity—the game was simply exciting. With 10 minutes left in play, the Mules felt the polar force, as



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient  
Brooke Nentwig '06 pushes past a Trinity defender in Saturday's game.

they led by only one goal. The Colby coach felt the threat and called a time out. It was close, but the Polar Bears could not pull off the win."

The Mules held onto the lead and the game ended with a final score of 13-11.

According to Hawkins, "the only disappointment in the game was the disproportionate representation of fans. There was no feeling of the Bowdoin-Colby rivalry because of the lack of Bowdoin student support," she said.

Junior Kate Donoghue, Dennison, and White led Bowdoin in scoring with Donoghue notching four points. Dennison and White contributed two goals apiece. In the net, Collins-Finn had 15 saves for the Bears.

Bowdoin will face tough competition in the next few weeks. The Bears will face Connecticut College at home Saturday, followed by a match against Bates College on Wednesday.

# Panthers outpace women's track

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The women's track team looked to the leadership of its strong contingent of throwers in an on-the-road meet against Middlebury and New England College last week.

"Our throwers had a great day breaking the college hammer record and sweeping the shot put," Coach Peter Slovensky said. "Louise Duffus ['07] and Kelsey Bomer ['09] have the wonderful poise it takes to be patient and drive with their legs. A lot of throwers use their arms too much, but Louise and Kelsey win with better technique and timing."

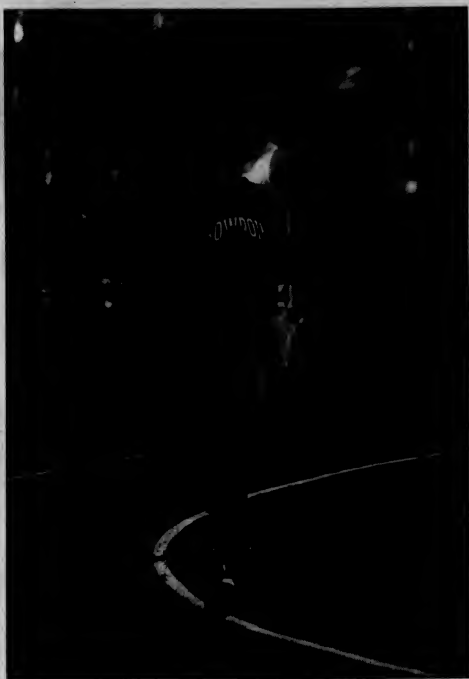
Though the Bears took second behind the Panthers, Bowdoin dominated the throwing events. Led by Bomer, the Bears swept the shot put, claiming first through fourth place. Duffus captured two first places in the discus and the hammer throw. Duffus's personal best of 170' 8" in the hammer throw broke the school record and qualified her provisionally for nationals. Bomer added to her first place in the shot put by taking second and third in the discus and hammer throw, respectively.

First-years Shemeica Binns and Chelsea Jackson continued Bowdoin's success in the field events with Jackson taking second in the javelin and third in the shot put. Binns grabbed two fourth places in the shot put and discus.

Junior Erin Prifogle competed in four events for the day, capturing a first-place finish in the high jump, a second in the 100-meter hurdles, a third in the 400-meter hurdles, and a fourth-place spot in the javelin to tie Duffus for points.

The high jump also proved to be a strong event for the Bears. First-years Alison Pilon and Katie Mevorach snatched second and fourth. Co-captain Emily Hackert '06 captured another individual first place for Bowdoin, winning the 400-meter hurdles. Elizabeth Onderko '08 also competed in the hurdles, improving her time by five seconds to notch a fourth-place finish.

In the sprints, Erin York '09 and Ruth Jacobson '06 captured the fourth and fifth spots, respectively.



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Lindsey Schickner '09 won the 800-meter race in Tuesday's home meet.

Pilon captured another second place for the Bears in the 400 meters. Fellow first-year Ali Chase finished close behind in third.

The distance contingent added more points to the Bears' total as sophomores Amy Ahearn and Courtney Eustance raced to second-place finishes in the 800 meters and the 1500 meters, respectively. Junior Jamie Knight took a week off from running the 10k to compete in the 5k for a third place.

Sophomore Alyssa Chen showed her versatility, competing in the pole vault, the long jump, and the triple jump. In the pole vault Chen posted a third-place finish, while junior Becca Perry added a

fourth place to Bears' record. Chen went on to take a fourth place in the long jump and a fifth place in the triple jump. Teammate Molly Seward '09 placed third in the triple jump.

On the track, Chen combined with Jacobson, York, and Hackert to make up the 4x100-meter team, which took second. In the 4x400-meter relay, the team of Jess Sokolow '09, Hackert, Pilon, and Jacobson took second. Hackert ran an impressive anchor leg, almost catching the Middlebury runner who had a six-meter lead.

The women are looking forward to the Aloha Relays at home on Saturday against Colby, Bates and USM.

# Baseball looks to preserve eight-game winning streak this weekend

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the mound and at the plate. Sophomore Pat Driscoll got the win, working seven innings, gave up only five hits and one run with five strikeouts. Junior Nick Lawler led the Bears with two doubles, while John Lawrie '06, Jared Lemieux '06, McCann, and Berte also had two hits. Pitching and defense were the biggest obstacles of Colby. Tyler Hales gave up four earned runs in only three innings of work with two more coming on Mule errors. Hales got the loss, and Colby finished with four costly errors on the day.

Although the third and final game of the series went a little differently for Bowdoin, the Bears' offensive strength came through again. After the Polar Bears scored twice in the first inning and again in the fifth, Colby responded with three off of Bowdoin starter Rick Leclerc '06 to tie the game.

Colby starter Robert Whelan was able to hold the Bears at bay until the eighth when all hell broke loose for the Mules. With the score knotted going into the inning, Bowdoin exploded for five runs, sparked by a Lemieux hit and stolen base. Leclerc then walked, bringing up Berte, who



Senior Jon Koperniak helped the Polar Bears at bat with a pair of hits and three RBIs against Trinity on Saturday.

responded by smacking an RBI single to centerfield. Bowdoin would plate four more runs before the inning ended. Lawrie supplied the dagger, crushing a two-run double that all but sent the Mules home for the day. Relief pitching in the last two innings, senior Mark Bulger picked

up the win.

For Bulger, the Colby wins were especially important.

"Colby this year has been a dark horse," he said. "We needed to go in play our game and take care of business, and that's what we did."

Bowdoin, ranked fourth in New

England for Division III, again dominated in its 11-3 win over Brandeis on Tuesday. Senior Will Waldrop continued his stellar mound work, picking up the win for the Bears and improving to 4-0 for the season. Bowdoin struck early on Brandeis's Tyler Robinson with five runs in the

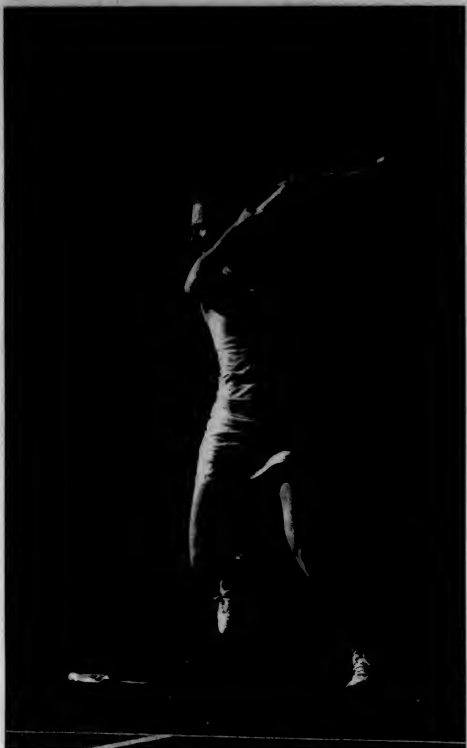
first four innings. Robinson got the loss, surrendering four hits, walking one, and hitting a batter.

Bowdoin was led at the plate by two familiar names, Berte and McCann. Berte had a monster day at the plate for the Bears, with four RBIs, four runs scored, and two hits. One of his knocks came in the form of a bomb in the ninth leading fourth homer of the year. McCann went three for six, grabbing a double and three RBIs while scoring three runs. It was not totally the Bowdoin Show at the plate, however. The Judges outthrew Bowdoin 13-10, but the Bear's pitching and offense prevailed, stranding Brandeis runners on base.

Waldrop was pleased with his team's performance.

"Tonight was one of our more complete games," he said. "We had good pitching and fielding, timely hitting, and we took advantage of every opportunity Brandeis gave us."

Bowdoin finished up Tuesday with an 18-5 record overall. The Bears are 7-2 in the NESCAC East Division, which is good enough for sole possession of first place in the conference. The team looks to extend its winning streak at Roger Williams on Friday and at Wesleyan in a doubleheader on Saturday.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Kristina Sisk returns the ball in a practice match this week.

## Women's doubles dominate matches

by Ethan Oberwager  
CONTRIBUTOR

The women's tennis team did not let the April showers get them down over the weekend. The Bears soundly defeated Bates 7-2 on Farley's indoor courts.

The doubles matches were particularly strong for the Bears on Saturday with the No. 2-doubles duo of Kristen Raymond '08 and Christine D'Elia '07 dominating its opponent en route to an 8-0 victory. The No. 1-doubles team of first-year Sarah D'Elia and Kesley Hughes '07 was also strong, shaking off early-match jitters to defeat its opponents, 8-3. At the No. 3-doubles spot the Bears lost a close decision, 8-5.

Going into singles with a 2-1 edge, the women battled with its opponents in a number of close first sets. The D'Elia sisters each lost their first set 7-5. At the No. 3-singles spot Hughes pulled out her first

set, 7-5. Raymond won her first set 6-0. Hughes and Raymond faced little resistance in their second sets, giving Bowdoin two crucial points.

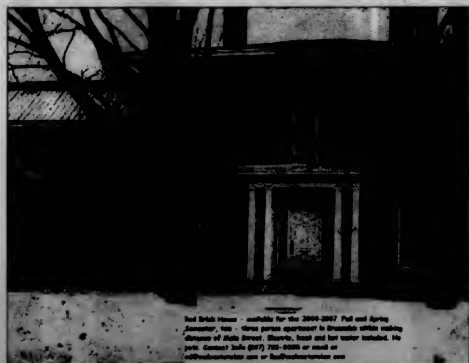
The D'Elia's, meanwhile, charged back in their second sets. Sarah pulled out the second set in dramatic fashion, going 7-3 in a tiebreak. Christine also grabbed the second set, 6-4. After close second sets, both seemed poised to win and defeated their opponents easily in third sets.

"I did play a great first set," Sarah said. "But I was able to pull out a tight match. And that's what's important."

Rachel Waldman had no problems at the No. 5 spot, playing aggressive tennis. She rolled over her opponent 6-1, 6-2 to give Bowdoin its seventh and final point of the match.

The women look forward to an important weekend. They take on ninth-ranked Middlebury on Saturday and then face Colby on Sunday.

Nick Day contributed to this report.



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### BASEBALL

School	NESCAC EAST			Overall
	W	L	W L	
BOWDOIN	7	2	18	5
Trinity	6	3	17	8
Tufts	3	3	13	11
Bates	1	5	7	10
Colby	1	5	8	13

#### SCOREBOARD

F 4/14	at Colby	W 11-3
Sa 4/15	v. Colby	W 12-1
Sa 4/15	v. Colby	W 8-3
Tu 4/18	at Brandeis	W 11-3

#### SCHEDULE

F 4/21	at Roger Williams	3:20 P.M.
Sa 4/22	at Wesleyan	12:00 P.M.
Sa 4/22	at Wesleyan	3:00 P.M.
M 4/24	v. St. Joseph's	4:00 P.M.
W 4/26	v. Husson	4:00 P.M.

### MEN'S LACROSSE

School	NESCAC			Overall
	W	L	W L	
Wesleyan	5	1	10	1
Bates	5	1	9	1
Middlebury	5	1	7	3
BOWDOIN	4	2	7	4
Tufts	3	3	8	4
Williams	2	4	5	5
Conn. College	2	4	5	6
Trinity	2	5	5	5
Colby	2	5	5	8
Amherst	1	5	2	7

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/15	v. Middlebury	L 12-11
Tu 4/18	v. Colby	W 10-9

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 4/22	v. Amherst	2:00 P.M.
W 4/26	v. Bates	4:30 P.M.

### MEN'S TRACK & FIELD

School	NESCAC			Overall
	W	L	W L	
Sa 4/15	at Middlebury	2nd	of 4	N/A
Tu 4/18	Bowdoin Invitational			

#### SCOREBOARD

F 4/21	Aloha Relays (at Bowdoin)	4:00 P.M.
Sa 4/22		

### SOFTBALL

School	NESCAC EAST			Overall
	W	L	W L	
Tufts	4	0	20	10
Trinity	2	2	15	15
BOWDOIN	3	3	17	5
Colby	1	3	6	14
Bates	0	2	10	8

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/15	v. Trinity	W 7-3
Sa 4/15	v. Trinity	W 4-3
W 4/19	at Husson	W 18-3
W 4/19	at Husson	W 7-1

#### SCHEDULE

F 4/21	v. Brandeis (2)	3:30 P.M.
Sa 4/22	v. Wesleyan (2)	12:00 P.M.
Tu 4/25	at Bates (2)	3:30 P.M.

### WOMEN'S LACROSSE

School	NESCAC			Overall
	W	L	W L	
Middlebury	8	0	9	1
Colby	8	1	11	1
Amherst	4	1	8	1
Tufts	4	2	9	2
BOWDOIN	3	3	9	3
Williams	3	3	7	3
Wesleyan	2	4	8	5
Trinity	2	4	5	8
Bates	0	5	4	5
Conn. College	0	7	4	9

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/15	v. Trinity	W 13-9
W 4/19	at Colby	L 13-11

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 4/22	v. Conn. College	12:00 P.M.
W 4/26	v. Bates	6:00 P.M.

### WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

School	NESCAC			Overall
	W	L	W L	
Sa 4/15	at Middlebury	2nd	of 3	N/A
Tu 4/18	Bowdoin Invitational			

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/22	at State Meet (at Colby)	12:00 P.M.
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### MEN'S TENNIS

School	NESCAC			Overall
	W	L	W L	
Middlebury	6	0	15	2
Trinity	4	1	11	1
Williams	2	1	9	2
Amherst	4	3	12	5
Colby	2	2	8	5
Bates	2	3	6	6
BOWDOIN	2	3	5	9
Tufts	1	5	8	7
Conn. College	0	1	2	6
Wesleyan	0	2	7	3
Hamilton	0	2	1	8

#### SCOREBOARD

F 4/14	at Tufts	W 7-0
Sa 4/15	at Middlebury	W 4-3

#### SCHEDULE

Sa 4/22	v. Wesleyan	11:00 A.M.
Su 4/23	v. Colby	10:00 A.M.

### WOMEN'S TENNIS

School	NESCAC			Overall
	W	L	W L	
Amherst	2	0	6	2
Williams	3	1	10	5
Middlebury	2	1	8	5
Colby	2	1	7	8
BOWDOIN	2	1	6	8
Connecticut	1	2	8	6
Tufts	1	2	7	7
Hamilton	0	1	10	8
Bates	0	2	5	6
Trinity	0	2	3	9
Wesleyan	0	0	9	3

#### SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/15	v. Bates	W 7-2
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#### SCHEDULE

Sa 4/22	v. Middlebury	2:00 P.M.
Su 4/23	v. Colby	2:00 P.M.

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.  
Sources: Bowdoin Athletics,  
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Sophomore Garrett Gates and first-year Alex Caughron approach the net in a doubles practice this week.

## Men's tennis slams Babson

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

After an up and down season with some spectacular victories and difficult losses, the men's tennis team's prospects for NESCAC Championship play remain uncertain.

But with last weekend's matches, the Bears proved that they have ample talent and fire. With a dominant 7-0 victory over Babson College, followed by a solid 4-3 win

over Bates, the Polar Bears gave fans reason for hope as the postseason approaches. The triumph over Bates was particularly significant with key wins coming from sophomores Noah Buntman and Garrett Gates, as well as first-years Alex Caughron and Alex White.

With the season coming to a close, it would be easy to write off the 5-9 Polar Bears, but the team possesses too much talent for it to give up now. The Bears' rigorous match schedule,

which included three nationally ranked non-NESCAC schools, makes the Bears' losses not as hard to swallow. This tough-playing schedule will be Bowdoin's greatest advantage going into the postseason as most other NESCAC schools have not gained this valuable experience.

The Bears are anxiously awaiting this weekend's home matches against Wesleyan and Colby, which will likely make or break their season.



# Galleher conquers streets of Beantown

Senior Avery Galleher overcomes Heartbreak Hill to finish Boston Marathon

by Anna Karass  
ORIENT STAFF

At about the time most students were waiting in lunch lines at Moulton and Thorne on Patriots Day Monday, senior Avery Galleher was warming up with 20,000 other athletes at the 110th Boston Marathon starting line.

Although it was not Galleher's first marathon, it was the first time she faced Heartbreak Hill, the race's legendary climb, which runners hit after about 20 miles, making it the toughest stretch of Boston's unforgiving course.

"I had a hard time going up Heartbreak Hill," she said. "There were so many people, who were walking, I was tempted to, but my friend Katie [Eshelman '06] was at the top. I probably would have stopped, but she jumped in and ran a few miles with me."

For Galleher, who was recovering from several training-related injuries, finishing the marathon was her primary goal. She accomplished her goal in 3:48:01, putting her in the middle of the pack.

"I wasn't going to do it at all because I had so many injuries and it was so difficult to train through the winter," she said. "I didn't run so much for time. It was 20 minutes slower than what I ran [in Philadelphia] to qualify."

Since the city practically shuts down for the race, throngs of people line the course to cheer on the runners, which Galleher found helpful.

"There were so many people cheering. A Red Sox game had just finished. The people were so friendly," she said.

While Galleher is taking a break from marathons, she is planning on competing in triathlons.

"I might take a little break from marathons, but I'd like to start doing triathlons," she said.

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Sophomore Eric Lee races toward first-year Damon Hall-Jones to hand off the baton in the 4x100-meter relay in Tuesday's Bowdoin Invitational.

## Men's track leaves competition behind

by Pat Pierce  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Track Team hit the road for its second outdoor meet of the season at Middlebury. Even without a full contingent of runners, the Bears tromped Middlebury 178 to 148, persevering in the face of high winds that gusted up to 25 mph during last Saturday's meet.

Junior Joe Adu extended his winning streak by dominating the

competition in the hurdles, winning in 15.60 seconds. Sophomore Tyler Lonsdale demonstrated his endurance with a convincing win in the 5,000-meter race in 15:35. First-year Jay McCormick hunted down his foe on the homestretch of the 800-meter run to nab a victory. Junior Owen McKenna and sophomore Tim Katlic double-teamed their opponents in the 1,500 meter run to take the top two spots.

The men did equally well on the

field. Sophomore Ben LeHay earned double victories in the long jump and triple jump. Senior co-captain Patrick Lyons won the shot put by heaving the 16-pound ball 45'05". Senior Alex Linhart showed good form in the hammer with a winning launch of 154'4". Senior co-captain Jared Prichard and senior Matt Regele dazzled in the javelin, earning the top two spots with throws of 174'10" and 169'10", respectively. Sophomore Dave Wagoner-Edwards set a new

personal best in the pole vault, jumping a foot higher for a 13' jump to take second place. Junior Robey Clark finished close behind with 12-foot jump.

Lyons was very pleased with the team's performance on Saturday.

"The team is hitting its stride just in time for the championship meets," he said.

The men will face Colby, Bates, and other intrastate foes at Colby College for the Maine State Meet this Saturday.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Bowdoin will look to expand upon its five-game winning streak this weekend.

## Softball to face Bobcats and Brandeis this week

SOFTBALL, from page 13

Bears appear to be in good shape for the playoffs with a second-place ranking in the NESCAC East.

The Polar Bears will play Brandeis today at home in a doubleheader and will challenge Wesleyan on Saturday. The softball team will face Bates on

Tuesday in an important NESCAC doubleheader.

"The Bates game will be key in deciding whether or not we make it to the NESCAC tournament," Powers said. "If we hit well and field flawlessly, we'll be fine. If we beat Bates, we should have a very good shot at making it to the tournament."



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# OPINION

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### Strengthen advising

The current system for academic advising is hit or miss. Some students are assigned excellent and enthusiastic advisors who can offer advice on courses in a variety of disciplines, while others are not so lucky. Not all professors are good advisors, and this leaves some students feeling like they have nowhere to turn. Unfortunately, many students must resort to the Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) course review web site or ratemyprofessors.com—neither of which are terribly reliable—to find the advice they are looking for. Another significant problem is the transition from the pre-major advising system to the major advising system. For some departments, the major advising system is nonexistent.

The College must seriously reassess the academic advising system, especially in light of the new distribution requirements. Faculty must be adequately trained to discuss the curriculum broadly with their advisees so that students can make the right choices about their academic plans.

In addition to a reassessment of the faculty advising system, we suggest that the College create a peer advising system akin to the help offered to first years by upper-class students in their affiliated college houses. Talking to students who have first-hand knowledge of the departments, courses, and professors at Bowdoin can be invaluable. Unfortunately, such an organized system does not exist past a student's first year.

The College should institute a program that would identify upper-class students in the various academic departments who are willing to offer advice to younger students—be they first years or seniors. That way when a student is trying to assess which professor's teaching style would fit best for him or to decide what courses to concentrate in, he will have a person he can contact for help.

Students at Bowdoin should value the freedom they receive in the course registration process—a key component of a liberal arts education. But with the choices available to them comes the oft-daunting task of researching courses and thoughtfully selecting what fits best their academic goals.

Most Bowdoin students will take 32 classes while at the College. It would be a shame to see students squander away one or more of these slots because they were ill-advised or not advised at all.

*The editorial represents the majority view of The Bowdoin Orient's editorial board. The editorial board is comprised of James D. Baumberger, Drew Fulton, Bobby Guerette, Evan S. Kohn, and Beth Kowitz.*

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Darfur panel to advise board on investments

To the Editors:

As we are all painfully aware, there is genocide being committed in the Darfur region of the Sudan. Since 2003, troops and militias supported by the Sudanese government have been deliberately attacking civilians in a dramatic escalation of a much longer regional conflict. While estimates of casualties vary, it is certain that tens, probably hundreds of thousands of innocent men, women, and children have been murdered. Thousands of women have been raped as part of a deliberate strategy of intimidation. Millions have lost their homes. The U.S. State Department has placed the Government of Sudan on the list of states sponsoring terrorism.

In February of this year, President Mills formed this committee to consider if and how Bowdoin is financially and morally involved in this situation, and to recommend a course of action for the College. We will make such a recommendation to the Board of Trustees in time for its May campus meeting. The Trustees themselves will make the final decision on what, if anything, the College does. While human rights abuses are unfortunately all too common, the President and this committee believe that the sheer scale of the atrocities being committed in Darfur and surrounding regions, as well as the unambiguous moral culpability of the Sudanese government, make this case worthy of particular consideration by the College.

Other colleges and universities have focused on divestment of any endowment investments related to financial support of the Sudanese government as a means of action against the atrocities in Darfur, following on the success of the College and University divestment programs in South Africa in the 1980s and early 90s. While American companies are officially banned from doing business in Sudan, there are various international companies who do business in Sudan or with the Sudanese government, most notably in the oil industry, which is responsible for most of the country's foreign direct investment. The degree of moral culpability of specific companies is a matter of debate, and some provide help for ordinary Sudanese civilians as well as revenue or services for the government.

Any financial involvement we might have with Sudan would primarily be through our endowment, part of which is invested in emerging markets. Bowdoin, however, does not make direct investments. All our investments are handled by third-party investment managers, usually in limited partnerships or "co-mingled funds" where our investments are pooled with those of other institutions. Investment or divestment decisions about specific stocks, bonds,

or other financial instruments are at the discretion of the individual managers. However, the investment staff at Bowdoin carries out extensive due diligence prior to investing in any fund, including consideration of a particular manager's integrity, code of ethics, and investment mandate. The investment staff continually monitors the existing portfolios and evaluates the investment decisions of third party managers.

We would like to hear your views on what course of action the college should take and have arranged an open, campus-wide forum to be held on Wednesday April 26th at 7:30 p.m. in Searles 315. We will start with a short presentation and will then hold an open-microphone session to listen to your opinions. Alternatively, you can email your thoughts to us at darfur@bowdoin.edu. To provide more information, we have set up a web site giving links to relevant sites at [www.bowdoin.edu/global-issues/darfur](http://www.bowdoin.edu/global-issues/darfur).

Many thanks.

Sincerely,

The Advisory Committee on Darfur  
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Sophomore John Ferris's contention seems principally to involve the classification of fetuses as "people." In denying that unborn fetuses are fully fledged human beings, we use rhetoric similar to that of Pol Pot, he argues. Yes, I agree that there are some similarities here, except that we are referring to insentient bundles of non-conscious tissue and Pol Pot was referring to people with feelings, memories, dreams and loved ones...that's a big difference. This is a specious argument John, and not one that will help us become "conscious of life issues," as you put it. It's a complex issue in any case, and I appreciate the responses.

Sincerely,

Mike Aikins '08

### Portrayal of GOP harsh and misguided

To the Editors:

I am deeply saddened by the opinion piece by Matthew Schweich ("GOP campus politics detrimental" April 14). It's inappropriate to personally attack individuals by means of this publication. I took great offense for Alex Linhart, and for myself as part of the company whose "twisted interpretation of conservatism" is deemed so inherently evil and bad for campus politics. Additionally, I find the accusations to be overly harsh and simply misguided.

It's not easy being a conservative at Bowdoin. Our character is constantly attacked based on these so called "radical political principles" we express in order to open the marketplace of ideas at one of the nation's top colleges. I ask, if there is no place for a free marketplace of ideas at a place like Bowdoin without deferring to personal attacks, then where is there? Furthermore, these "radical beliefs" we hold, are held by at least 50 percent of this nation. Perhaps there should be more discussion, rather than banter, but I know for a fact Mr. Linhart has challenged his accusers to open debate of issues and has been denied on many occasions.

There is a liberal bubble at Bowdoin, like at most colleges, but being outside of this bubble does not deem us targets for attack. To stand behind our opinions in the face of such adversity is a quality that should be revered rather than detested. If you are so sure of your beliefs, you should not be offended by the opposition and be incited to attack it; rather you should feel confident in protecting your ideals in open discussion as we do. The College Republicans have never resorted to personal attacks despite the many launched on us. I hope political disagreements will be discussed rather than attacked with hostility to individuals in the future.

Sincerely,

Brian May '06

Co-Chairman Bowdoin College Republicans

### Confusion in responses to abortion op-ed

To the Editors:

The letters in response to my April 7 op-ed ("Posters inflame, do not inform") seem to have been made out of confusion more than anything, and so I will try to clear some things up.

In response to Mike Taylor '07: The posters claimed that 47 million babies have been aborted since 1973 in America, and not the world. I have no idea where you got this statistic about the world, but it is certainly incorrect and would lend support to the pro-choice argument in any case. Secondly, I argued that an eight-week old fetus would be a more accurate portrayal of abortion, because this is the average age of aborted fetuses. This was in no way an argument about taste or style; rather it was about deception and the greater accuracy of my suggestion. Thirdly, my comments on the humanness of abortion procedures were meant to demonstrate a contrast with the barbarism of the holocaust, and not to give some kind of moral green light to all abortions. All of your objections were to claims never made; I hope this helps to resolve them.

# Snap back to reality Free speech comes with a cost

## These Revelations Will Not Be Televised



by Steve  
Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

So I had this weird dream the other night. I dreamt that Bowdoin was an episode of VH1's "I Love the 90s," and that Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) had decided to distribute those old slap bracelet things in a joint effort with the Department of Safety and Security to make students more visible to traffic, and a bunch of washed-up pseudo-celebrities made fun of us for it.

Then I woke up and chided myself for even entertaining the idea that BSG, much less paid constituents of the College's brain trust, would endorse such a peculiar, anachronistic strategy for keeping students safer. I also wondered why I had a dream about a 12-year-old fashion trend with which I had been barely acquainted. Then I wondered why I had a dream involving "I Love the 90s." Needless to say, it was a restless night filled with a great deal of doubt and angst, and very little sleep.

In the morning, I got out of bed, turned toward my roommate, and said, "I had the oddest dream last night."

I was about to give him the details when I realized that it wasn't my roommate at all! It was those two excruciatingly unfunny guys from the "Modern Humorist!"

"Slap bracelets, yeah those were a good idea," deadpanned Michael Colton. "You slap it on and you're like, 'Am I accessorizing or punishing myself?'"

Before I had time to not laugh, the guy from "Joe Millionaire" jumped out of my closet and punched me in the face.

Then I woke up for real and realized that BSG and Security's plan to endorse slap bracelets wasn't a dream at all, and that my bizarre, campy nightmare was actually a bizarre, campy reality. Well, except for Joe Millionaire and the Modern Humorists. So far.

Yes, it would seem that in addition to devoting themselves to making us safe and democratic, respectively, Security and BSG have also devoted themselves to making us fashionably ironic. I mean honestly, snap bracelets? How did they even remember snap bracelets?

My best guess would be that some BSG representative or another was digging through his drawers at home over Spring Break, found a snap bracelet nestled between his old Magic card deck and his old Pog collection, and thought, "Say, these were briefly popular among pre-teens who wore LA Gear and listened to New Kids on the Block over a decade ago... We should market them to 21st Century 18-to-22 year-old quasi-bohemian intellectuals!"

It's entirely possible that the BSG representative was high on crack at the time.

Or perhaps Security is pulling the strings on this one, and everyone, including BSG, is being hoodwinked. I can only imagine the clandestine quorums that may have taken place in smoke-filled rooms in the bowels of Rhodes Hall:

Director of Security Randy Nichols: OK people, listen up. I called this meeting because we've got a problem. There have been too many unregistered parties on campus, and we need a way to figure out where they're happening and when.

Assistant Director of Security Mike Brown: What if we had some way of tracking students' movements, so we could see where they're clustering on weekends?

Bond Villain Ernst Blofeld: (stroking cat) What you need is some sort of tracking device for students to wear without zem knowing about it.

Nichols: You mean like a tracking collar?

Blofeld: Nie, too obvious. Something zatzey vill year voluntarily. What about a fashionable *kalpak* or a snazzy *sztotokor*?

(Nichols and Brown stare at him blankly.)

Brown: What about snap bracelets?

Nichols: Genius! But how do we justify it?

Brown: Make 'em glow in the dark. Keeps kids from getting hit by cars.

Nichols: Perfect. I'll put in a call to BSG first thing in the morning. All right, we're done

carly tonight... Anyone want to trip the Tower's fire alarm again?

Brown and Blofeld: I do!

OK, so maybe that's a little unrealistic. But still, one wonders who exhumed this fashion trend and how

Bowdoin came to be the site of its glorious resurrection.

Maybe it's an investment ploy. With mounting pressure from students, alumni, and peer schools to divest from socially irresponsible companies, the folks over at the Treasurer's Office decided that in order to maintain the steady growth of the College's endowment, they would need to buy some inexpensive stock somewhere and then make it appreciate in a hurry.

So they invested in snap bracelets on the cheap, and then called in favors from BSG and Security to start the crusade to get snap bracelets back in vogue. This theory makes sense, Maine being the fashion epicenter of the universe, and the members of BSG being the ones everybody looks to for fashion cues.

All the more reason for the College to make its investment strategies more transparent, I say.

Whatever the cause for this snap bracelet revival, it seems that we're in pretty deep now: Last week, money was allocated for the purchase of 3,000 new snap bracelets in new, exciting colors. These "rad" new fashion articles will be included in mailings to accepted students as part of Bowdoin's plan to alienate the Class of 2010 just enough to dissuade them from living on campus, thereby solving the incipient housing crunch.

I realize that I'm giving the generators of the snap bracelet initiative a hard time here. I actually do respect their concern for the safety of Bowdoin students. I also respect the fact that readjusting to civic life after having been cryogenically frozen/comatose/absconding in the Himalayas for the past decade and a half must be difficult, and the fact that they have been able to function in offices of high responsibility with the College is a huge credit to their character.

by Neal Urwitz  
CONTRIBUTOR

The controversy over the Muhammad cartoons has faded from the front page, but I'm not over it. I felt mixed emotions about it. Anyone who has ever taken a class with me knows I exercise my right to free speech even when everyone else in the class wishes I would not. It would be beyond hypocritical of me, then, to not support free speech. Yet in this case, I actually thought the Danish newspapers should not have printed the cartoons, and papers like the New York Times made the right decision in not rerunning them. This was hard for me to square, until I realized this: There is a cost to free speech, and in this case, that cost was not borne by the speaker.

Free speech is not the right to say whatever you want free of any consequences; rather, it is the right to say whatever you will free of government consequences. You may have the right to tell racist jokes, but I, and everyone else, will likely think you are a bigot. That is the price you pay. Terrell Owens has the right to run his mouth off as much as he pleases, but everyone around him is likely to think he is a jerk and in his next contract, pay

him accordingly. That is the price he pays. I have the right to take the opposite position as everyone else in a class, and everyone else will likely find me irritating. That is the price I pay. No act of free speech, or at least no act of free speech that is at all controversial, is really without any cost. Even if governments don't judge, societies will, and it would be difficult to expect them not to.

So why were the cartoons differ-

ent? Leave aside for a minute that they were offensive to some people. The controversial free speech we uphold is, almost by definition, offensive to some people. What was different here was that the people who spoke freely did not bear the cost of what they said. How many people can name any individual cartoonist, or even spell the name of the newspaper they submitted to? We do not know their names because their offices did not get firebombed, their homes did not get torched, and their lives did not get threatened. No, they were a continent away while their free speech got other people killed. Their free speech led

to the endangerment of countless others, but not themselves. No one thought of the individuals themselves as bigots or irritating. The costs of their free speech, it seemed, was meant for someone else. When the costs are so grave, as they were in this case, we can not help but notice the dynamic.

In economics, such a situation is called an externality, where the societal costs of a product or an action are not reflected in the price the person doing it pays. The simpler word, of course, is unfair. This is why we react so negatively when someone says, for instance, that "all Muslims are terrorists" because one happens to be; a billion Muslims are then paying the costs of one person's actions. Individuals should be rewarded and punished for their actions, not the actions of someone they never knew.

The importance of this is pretty clear. Everyone can defend free speech in the abstract and should. The government should not lightly squelch what I have to say. But when you defend the right to speak, make sure you are not defending my questionable right to speak and have you bear the consequences. Such a thing is hardly brave, as we tend to view those who speak freely; rather, it is the very definition of cowardice.

*You may have the right to tell racist jokes, but I, and everyone else, will likely think you are a bigot.*



Projects from Visiting Assistant Professor Meghan Brady's Drawing I class are on display in the south stairwell of the VAC.

Write a letter to the editors!



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# What ever happened to a thing called social grace?

## Romancing with Riley



by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

I am proud to say that I, Sarah Genevieve Riley, a soon-to-be graduating senior, have never been in a fight. That is, until last weekend when I was drawn into a particularly brutal round of verbal fisticuffs with a fellow Bowdoin student who shall remain nameless because I don't know his name. Now, my point in mentioning this little tête-à-tête is not to place blame, as both of us said things we shouldn't have. No, I am telling you about this verbal mudslinging because it should not be happening at a school like Bowdoin.

We as a student body are smart, well-rounded, fun loving, and driven. We are the best of the best...at least, we are when we're sober. Under the influence, things change. Suddenly, we're a little angrier, a little chattier, a little more trigger happy, and a lot more willing to make out with members of the same sex, regardless of our sexual orientation.

Of course, as evidenced by certain examples in the preceding paragraph, alcohol consumption (excuse me, responsible alcohol consumption) isn't necessarily a bad thing. It helps us let go of inhibitions, makes us more willing to chat up complete strangers, and often inspires us to accept dares that, when sober, sound remarkably like social suicide. In fact, my only real beef with alcohol's effect on the Bowdoin student population is its

power to erase the concept of social grace from our otherwise perfectly functioning minds.

Now, I don't mean to play the Mrs. Robinson card here, but back in my Moore Hall days, I never felt the need to yell at anyone. I never felt the need to push anyone, or punch anyone, steal anyone's boyfriend or make fun of anyone wearing a ridiculous outfit. Every weekend night (and also a few Sundays and Wednesdays), I went out with my friends, consumed beverages, made a fool of myself in some way, shape, or form, and then eventually came home. Every once in a while there were a few random superheroes prancing around a party or two, in which case my friends and I smiled and high-fived them and maybe tried to steal their Superman cape. It was fun, relatively innocent, and nobody really got hurt, physically or otherwise.

Nowadays, I get pushed and shoved just trying to get to the keg or the bathroom. If my roommates and I host a party, our house is destroyed, our possessions are stolen (including an amazing "Welcome Bowdoin Students" sign that we would really love to get back), and all the while, we never even hear a "please" for beer or a "thank you" for buying it.

While I am well aware that fights and general disrespect have been a reality at Bowdoin since long before my time here, this year seems particularly bad. Where I used to witness a few ridiculous disputes break out over ridiculous things between ridiculous people, this year has been the first time I've felt the urge to take something—or someone—out. And because I'm a lover (as many of my past columns have attested) and not a fight-

er, and because I believe most of you are too, I think maybe it's time we all just relax a little bit.

Say thanks to the senior and/or lacrosse player serving you a beverage. Wait patiently in the keg line at 30, because pushing won't do anything except squeeze the residents even further out of their beaters. Don't yell, don't spit, and don't pull hair. Let the general stupidity that naturally comes along with 150 college students being tightly packed in to a poorly ventilated basement roll off your back, and instead enjoy being witness to the stu-

pid things people (read: me) will do when dared. Also, think about returning our welcome sign.

On a separate though related note, I would like to personally ask the seniors to start living a little. We have (insert the latest BSG "days until graduation" email here) left at Bowdoin, which means only a few more weeks to live like we will never live again. Sea Dog on Tuesdays, bowling on Thursdays, sporting events all day Saturday, and of course the magic that is Saturday night, wherever you choose to spend

it...they are all about five weeks from being nothing more than a memory.

So stop fighting the onset of senioritis. Put down your honors project, step away from the electronic classroom, and remind yourself that you can sleep when you're dead. Let's dress up for theme parties and spend all day Sunday doing nothing other than enjoying the company of our friends. Let's grill, let's play horseshoes, let's go to the beach and go to the bar. Let's show these underclassmen how it's done.



## STUDENT SPEAK

### How do you know that spring has come?



Brianna Cornelius '09

"The hotter it gets, the more people lose their minds."



Sunny Jha '08

"Spring is here when Sunny's here."



Roxy Vargas '09

"All your polar points are gone."



Kerri Foley '08 and  
Lauren Duerksen '08

"Flip-flops and babies."



Matthew Vazquez '06

"I finally feel the need to shower."



Hunain Khaleeli '08

"When Pakistanis start wearing shorts in Maine."

# WEEKLYCALENDAR

## April 21-April 27

### Friday

**Shabbat Candle Lighting**  
Johnson House,  
6 p.m.

**Improvabilities**  
Come ready to laugh: Bowdoin's comedy troupe will present an evening of improvised skits and games.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center,  
10-11 p.m.

**Bill McKibben Lecture**  
Award-winning environmental author Bill McKibben will lecture on "What Comes After Globalization? Local Economies and Human Well Being."  
Room 16, Druckenmiller Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Spring Dance**  
Come to a performance featuring Bowdoin's dance groups, including ANOKHA, Intersection, and Vague.  
Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall,  
8-10 p.m.

**Free Bike Tune-Ups**  
Offered by Sustainable Bowdoin.  
The Quad, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Film: "City Lights"**  
A poor homeless tramp falls in love with a kind, beautiful blind girl whose family is under financial stress. She is mistakenly under the impression that he is a millionaire, and he does everything he can to raise enough money for her to have a sight-restoring operation.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

### Saturday

**Film: "City Lights"**  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7 p.m.

**Spring Dance**  
Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall,  
8-10 p.m.

**Eco-Service Day**  
Participate in a wide variety of outdoor service options including gardening, trail building, and beach clean-up.  
Various locations around campus,  
12:30-4:30 p.m.

**Asian Fashion Show**  
The Asian Student Association will present a fashion show highlighting traditional national dress, modern clothing, and much more.  
Morrell Lounge, Smith Union,  
8-10 p.m.

### Sunday

**Sunday Mass**  
Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

**Second Annual Bowdoin Film Fest**  
Come see films made by Bowdoin students. Awards will be given for films. Free popcorn will be available.  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Concert Band**  
The Bowdoin College Concert Band and the Bowdoin Percussion Ensemble will perform.  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 3-4 p.m.

**China in the Era of Globalization**  
Lectures by Dr. Edward Steinfeld of MIT and Dr. Guoli Liu of the College of Charleston.  
Room 151, Druckenmiller Hall,  
2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

### Monday

**Poetry Reading**  
In recognition of National Poetry Month Bowdoin students, faculty, and staff will read original poems.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
7:30 p.m.

**Latin American Policy**  
Lawrence Birns, head of the Council of Hemispheric Affairs, will lecture on the shift in Latin America to a more independent, populist approach to government.  
Room 151, Druckenmiller Hall, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday

**Thomas Cassidy Lecture**  
Andrew Revkin, one of America's most honored science authors, will give a speech titled, "The Daily Planet: A journalist's search for sustainability, from the Amazon to the Arctic."  
Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7-8:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

**Darfur Forum**  
The Advisory Committee on Darfur will hold a forum to outline the current state of Darfur, share potential courses of action Bowdoin can take to respond, and solicit public comment from the Bowdoin community.  
Room 315, Searles Science Hall, 7:30 p.m.

### Thursday

**Dinner with Naomi Schalit**  
Attend a dinner with the former Executive Director of Maine Rivers.  
Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union,  
5:30-7:30 p.m.



A patch of crocuses blooms in a front yard on Federal Street.

Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient



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## Suspect flees from Security, local cops

by Steve Kolowich  
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A sting operation conducted by the Department of Safety and Security resulted in a car chase last week when a man suspected of theft fled from campus security and then led state and local police in a high-speed pursuit.

Last Friday, an undercover officer dressed as a student observed Matthew Lajoie, 19, a Brunswick resident, exhibiting suspicious behavior in the northwest corner of the basement of Hawthorne-Longfellow Library shortly after 1 p.m.

According to a security report, the officer heard the sound of items being placed into a backpack and the sound of a backpack being zipped. The officer moved toward the carrel where the sounds originated, and noticed that Lajoie had retreated into the stairwell.

The undercover officer used his

## Polar bear stands steadfast and silent



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Students decked the polar bear in observance of the nationwide Day of Silence Wednesday. The day's purpose was to bring attention to the issue of harassment of queer students in schools. See news brief, page 5.

radio to notify his colleagues, who were positioned outside the library near its main entrance. Officer David Mercier confronted Lajoie as he exited

the library, and Lajoie took off running up College Street toward Maine Street.

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## J-Board case highlights free speech, bias issues

Student disciplined for placing religious pamphlets in library books

by Bobby Guerette  
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A Bowdoin student's allegations of anti-Christian hostility sparked investigations into the conduct of two faculty members and one administrator. Though college officials have cleared all three staff members of any wrongdoing, the cases shed new light on the discussion about intellectual freedom and the role of religion on campus.

The story of Ryan Helminiak '05 encompasses his student disciplinary case for placing more than 1,000 religious pamphlets in library books, along with what he perceived as religious discrimination during classes taken in the fall of 2001 and spring of 2003.

Helminiak is making his full allegations public with names for the first time. His story provides an inside look at Bowdoin's student disciplinary system, which operates behind closed doors. In an op-ed submitted to the Orient, Helminiak

shared details about alleged academic bias at Bowdoin, his meetings with deans, and the disciplinary action taken against him. In order to allow officials the chance to respond, the Orient chose not to publish the piece and instead investigate the allegations. He later provided written statements to the Orient and granted an extended phone interview from his home in Pennsylvania.

Helminiak also provided waivers permitting college officials to share confidential information about his case. These waivers allowed the Orient extraordinary access to information from his student disciplinary file, along with the Judicial Board's decision for his case.

Though he said he discussed some of his allegations with students and submitted anonymous testimony to the College Republicans for submission to the Maine Legislature during consideration of an academic bias bill last year, Helminiak has a new rationale for his going public with complete details.

"Now it's more for the purpose of fighting anti-Christianity," he said.

Helminiak, a biology and history double major, completed his course-

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## College continues property acquisition

by James D. Baumberger  
ORIENT STAFF

College growth continues to head south. Literally.

With the recent purchase of two additional houses south of College Street, Bowdoin is continuing to slowly acquire residential property in the neighborhood that separates the College's main campus from its Farley Field House athletic complex.

Bowdoin has purchased 17 properties between Farley and College Street in the past 10 years, an Orient analysis has found.

Since the campus is bordered on three sides by residential neighborhoods, the purchase of nearby houses by the College has been a key long-term expansion strategy for decades. A campus planning study completed by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP (SOM) and made public in 2004 affirmed Bowdoin's approach.

"The major emphasis or 'take away' from the SOM study was that

the campus would likely grow toward the South, in the direction of the Farley Field House," Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley told the Orient.

According to Longley, the College's most recent acquisitions, 30 Longfellow Ave. and 66 Harpswell Rd., were finalized last Friday. Longley declined to release the sale prices until trustees have been notified.

For the time being, the two houses will join the 23 other homes throughout Brunswick that Bowdoin uses to house faculty and staff. The new purchases are located in a residential zone, which limits their use to family dwellings.

With the purchase of 30 Longfellow Ave., Bowdoin has nearly completed the acquisition of a corridor down both sides of Coffin Street, which leads south from the main campus to Farley. Currently,

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## Students urge cleaner energy use

by Evan S. Kohn  
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Members of the new student group Clean Energy Now plan to present a letter to President Barry Mills and Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley today urging the College to purchase 100 percent of its electricity from clean, renewable sources of energy. Such electricity is produced by wind power, hydropower, or biomass, and not by fossil fuels that emit greenhouse gases.

As of press time, the group had also gathered over 430 signatures for a petition and it plans to soon begin a faculty and staff letter drive.

The 13 students from the new group who signed the letter—many of whom have been active with Sustainable Bowdoin and the Evergreens—wrote, "There is no better opportunity to fulfill...our commitment to the common good than through the purchase of renewable energy for the campus."

"We ask that the College commit to a purchase of 100 percent renewable energy in its coming contract, which will demonstrate its continuing commitment to environmental stewardship and social responsibility," they continued.

Ben Smith '06, a member of Clean Energy Now, said there are several ways the College can achieve the use of electricity from exclusively renewable sources of energy, one of them being buying renewable energy credits. The College could also simply switch to an entirely green source of energy for its electricity.

"It doesn't matter to us how they

do it," he said, as long as they achieve 100 percent renewable-energy electricity use.

When contacted by the Orient, Longley said she wanted to see the letter and petition before responding to the group's drive. She did not respond to questions regarding the amount of clean-energy electricity the College currently uses, when its next electricity purchase would be, the potential financial costs of buying 100 percent of the College's

electricity from renewable sources, and her views on the feasibility of the plan.

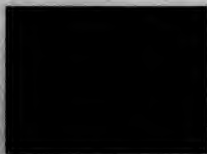
"I think we have taken many steps to be more environmentally responsible with our energy purchases and energy use at Bowdoin. But there is more to do," she said. "The challenge is balancing the environmental goals with the realities of our budget. Right now especially, we are

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### Bears dominate Jeffs in home field win



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Matt Chadwick '07 pushes past an opponent in Saturday's game against Amherst. Chadwick posted three goals and three assists for the Bears, securing the men's lacrosse team's 15-9 victory. See story, page 13.



# College purchases two houses to join the 23 other homes throughout Brunswick used to house faculty and staff

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the College owns all but two of the 13 lots on Coffin Street.

One of the two remaining lots is owned by Robert Coffin, whose family provided the namesake for the street. According to his wife Betty, her husband was born in the house—which has been owned by the Coffin family for three generations—and intends to remain there.

Betty Coffin said the College once spoke to the couple about purchasing the property many years ago, but never made an explicit offer.

"I imagine someday they'll grab this place. But they haven't yet mentioned money, because I don't know that they want it that bad," she said.

"Let me give them a clue," she said jokingly. "I have five children. They're going to have to battle the kids for it."

One of the sketches in the SOM report suggested replacing the Coffin Street corridor with a wide column of green space and walkways leading from the center of campus to Farley. The report also recommended that the College build a new quadrangle in the vicinity of Coffin Street.

According to Longley, most of Bowdoin's purchases result from homeowners contacting Bowdoin before they put their houses on the market. If Bowdoin agrees to buy, it is an attractive option for the homeowner, who can avoid employing a realtor. But, Longley said, the College gets many more offers than it can accept.

"Most of the time we say 'no,'" she said.

Occasionally, Bowdoin takes a more active approach to acquisition.

"We have sometimes taken the initiative to talk to homeowners when their property is strategic to the College," Longley said.

The trustees have approved a policy that guides the College's purchasing decisions and outlines various "priority zones" of land strategic to Bowdoin. The College does not make this information public.

Bowdoin's house purchases could decrease the town's yearly tax revenues. According to Longley, when

the College buys a house for residential use, it is exempt from paying taxes on the building—except in certain grandfathered agreements—although it still must pay taxes on the land.

She noted, however, that Bowdoin is on the list of the town's top 10 taxpayers and also makes voluntary payments for various town services.

## Residential zoning

Many of the properties Bowdoin has purchased in recent years are located in residential zones that prohibit most college uses.

The primary residential area between the athletic and academic campuses runs along Longfellow Avenue. The street, which runs east from Maine Street to Harpswell Road and bisects Coffin Street, consists mostly of single-family houses, some of which are owned by Bowdoin faculty and staff.

The Longfellow Avenue zone is among the most restrictive zones in the town. Brunswick zoning ordinance allows only single- or two-family dwellings. No college use—other than faculty and staff housing—is permitted.

Theo Holtwijk, director of Brunswick's Department of Planning & Development, said Longfellow Avenue has historically been a point of contention. According to Holtwijk, when the town re-evaluated zoning in the Longfellow area in the early 1990s, the resolution "did not allow Bowdoin to use as much of its property as it would have liked."

If in the future Bowdoin choose to develop some of the property it has purchased in residential zones, it will have to first apply for a zoning change with the town.

Holtwijk declined to speculate on the prospects for a future zoning change in the area of Coffin and

Longfellow streets.

"I think that some people would say, 'If you buy property it's not an automatic given that you would also get rezoning handed to you on a silver platter.' At the same token, I think if and when the College has a need to grow, I think that all interested parties...should come together to discuss how the College can best grow," Holtwijk said.

For the College's part, Longley said that Bowdoin would not be pushing any zone changes soon.

"There are no current plans for any zoning changes in the foreseeable future," she said.

Longley also said that Bowdoin does not have any current plans to buy more property along Longfellow Avenue.

Four privately-owned houses south of College Street are currently zoned for college use. This would allow the College more leeway in the

*"I think its unfortunate when it becomes a sort of a holy-war—the town and gown kinds of issues—and I think they're largely preventable if there's good cooperative, collaborative planning about where the future of the College is and where these neighborhoods are going to grow."*

Patricia Riley  
Brunswick resident

use of these properties if it were to acquire them.

Patricia Riley, a resident of one of the College-zoned houses, said she has no plans to move. Although her property near Chamberlain Hall is the only one on her block not owned by Bowdoin, she said that the College had never offered to buy her house.

Riley said she was not aware if the College had any plans for her property and cited the general lack of information as one of the primary reasons for friction between local residents and Bowdoin.

"I think what gets people concerned is the lack of transparency," she said. "All of a sudden you learn something about a house that has been bought. I think it'd be good if people had a clearer sense of where Bowdoin was headed. It would make everybody a lot more comfortable."

Overall, Riley described her experience living near both the College and downtown Brunswick as a positive one.

"We believe in a good neighbor policy. Bowdoin's been good neighbors to us and we hope we've been good neighbors to Bowdoin," she said.

## College Neighbors Association

Some residents of the Longfellow Avenue area have been active in the recently formed College Neighbors Association (CNA), whose self-described mission "is to preserve, protect, and improve the character and livability of our neighborhoods."

Members of the CNA are concerned by the potential of the College's expansion efforts to transform their neighborhoods.

Connie Lundquist, a Longfellow Avenue resident and an active member of CNA, said she worries about college growth but does not expect major transformative change many years in the future.

"I don't think, so far, the purchase of properties by Bowdoin is going to affect this neighborhood probably in my lifetime," she said.

The College recently demolished two houses on the corner of South and Coffin streets, but not before Lundquist claims the houses fell into disrepair.

"If the College wants to own the houses I don't have any problem with that," she said. "My concern is what happened on South Street. They bought some houses on South Street and let them go derelict. I don't want to see that happen because it will

affect the market value of the rest of the houses in this neighborhood. They've promised not to."

According to Longley, the College currently owns eight vacant properties, including two former fraternities. Bowdoin purchased the last of the banned fraternities in 2004.

Also in 2004, Bowdoin purchased and subsequently demolished the building at 40 Harpswell St., a boarding house typically rented to members of the men's rugby team. It recently tore down a house at 26 College St. as well.

Lundquist expressed hope that the College does not decide to expand down Longfellow Avenue beyond its properties along Coffin Street.

"I think there's a natural tension at the edges, always. The College wants to grow. The neighbors want to keep it what it's been, she said. "Our main concern is that this neighborhood remain a livable, relatively quiet—except maybe on Saturday nights—neighborhood."

Longley said the College makes an effort to inform local residents about upcoming plans and work with them to address their concerns.

"We try to be as considerate of neighbors as we can," Longley said. "It's a healthy give and take."

Riley urged better communication and cooperation by both sides.

"I think its unfortunate when it becomes a sort of a holy-war—the town and gown kinds of issues—and I think they're largely preventable if there's good cooperative, collaborative planning about where the future of the College is and where these neighborhoods are going to grow. People need to make that commitment to do it openly and transparently," Riley said.

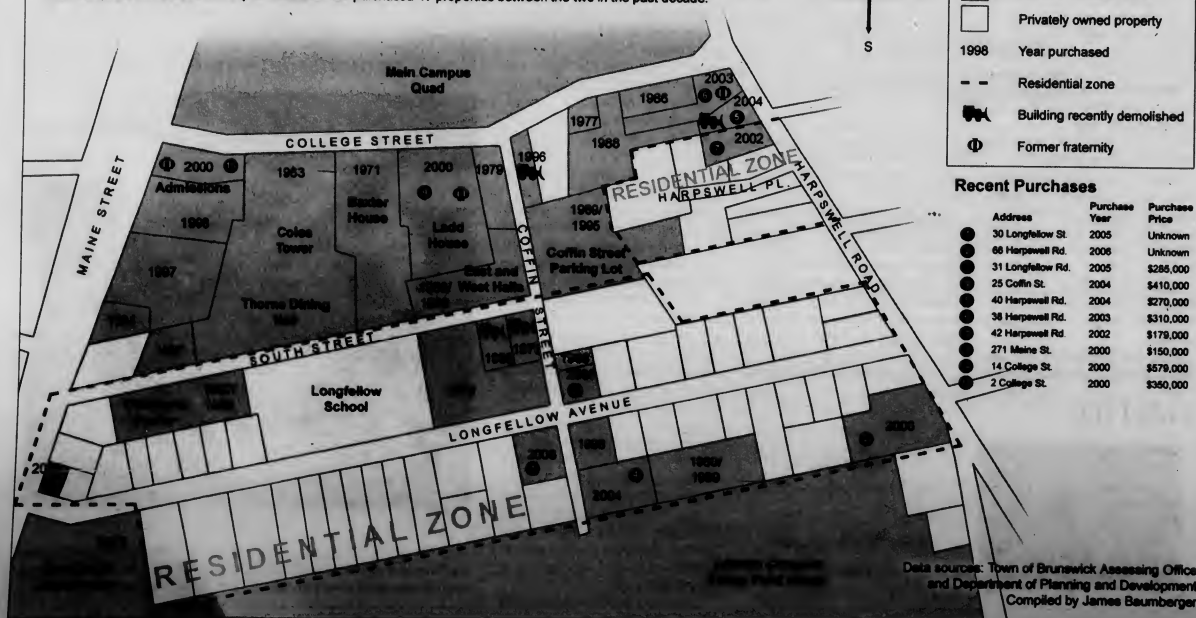
She was also sympathetic to Bowdoin's desire to grow.

"I think it's a balancing act about how to meet Bowdoin's expansion goals and still keep neighborhoods. I think that's a conversation that neighborhoods and Bowdoin can have because everybody wants Bowdoin to succeed, I think, because we certainly do," she said.

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## BOWDOIN COLLEGE EXPANSION SOUTH OF COLLEGE STREET

For more than four decades, Bowdoin has been purchasing property south of College Street to expand its campus. The College now owns all but two properties along Coffin Street, which the College could use in the future to create a corridor between the main campus and the athletic complex. Bowdoin has purchased 17 properties between the two in the past decade.



# First years find lottery frustrating

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

Along with final papers and presentations, the end of the year also brings another dreaded annual ritual: the housing lottery. For some, this year's lottery was particularly stressful. The College is suffering a housing crunch, leaving the Office of Residential Life to face the task of navigating through the difficulties.

Many students found themselves entering multiple lotteries, after their first choices had already been filled. Molly Seaward '09 entered both the chem-free and quads lotteries before selecting a double in Chamberlain.

"You think that freshman year your housing is the lowest you can get, but it's disappointing to be downgraded for your sophomore year," she said.

According to Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli, next fall's housing crunch is caused by a

combination of factors, including the renovations to the first-year dorms, imbalances in the number of students studying abroad in the fall and spring, and a slight decrease in the total number of students studying abroad.

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Molly Seaward '09

Ultimately, Pacelli said, these factors forced her to add about 50 spaces to the current housing capacity.

Another issue Pacelli had been concerned about was whether the College would be able to provide chem-free housing for all of the students in the chem-free lottery, and she said that she was pleased to see

that all the students who entered the chem-free lottery had that option.

However, Pacelli did deliver a stern lecture preceding the lottery about the discrepancy between the number of students who selected chem-free on their housing intent forms, and the number that entered in the lottery.

"I worry that students are gaming the system for the sole purpose of acquiring some of those [Howard] quads," Pacelli said.

"If chem-free were really the priority, we definitely give people the opportunity to pick it," she said.

The quads lottery, in which housing is usually available for most rising sophomores, also left some students scrambling for options at its conclusion, including many rising juniors and seniors. Liza Cohen '08 had hoped to choose a quad in the Tower.

"We were pretty sure we, [a block of eight], were going to get into the

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# New York Times reporter recounts his quest for global sustainability

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

Spring in Maine does not feel so frigid to New York Times science reporter Andrew Revkin, who has traveled to the arctic multiple times to report on global warming. Revkin delivered this year's Thomas Cassidy Lecture in Journalism.

Revkin, who received his B.S. from Brown and M.S. from the Columbia School of Journalism, recounted his adventures around the world, with a focus on the Arctic region and the North Pole. In the 11-plus years that Revkin has worked for the New York Times, he has written some 1000 articles. But he also spoke about his earlier years, including his sailing experience in the tropics.

"If you have the opportunity to go ahead and do it, you never know what will happen," he said of going abroad. "Being overseas is what

made me want to be a journalist."

In just the past three years, Revkin has thrice visited the North Pole on behalf of the Times. He shared his views on global warming with the audience.

*"Climate change is more complicated than 'here-and-now.' We're talking about the slow drip."*

Andrew Revkin  
New York Times science reporter

Revkin expressed surprise at the public opinion of global warming, which ranks relatively low on a list of public concerns about the climate. He suggested that people do not care about climate change because of its intergenerational

character, and noted that the public is more concerned about issues that can be solved in the short-term.

"Climate change is more complicated than 'here-and-now,'" he said. "We're talking about the slow drip."

He stressed that few politicians or scientists seriously disputed the claim that humans are having a significant impact on the environment, but that now the argument is what to do about it.

Revkin acknowledged that there are benefits to global warming, especially economically, but suggested that it does not mean that more eco-friendly alternative energy sources should not be pursued.

Preceding the lecture, Revkin dined with select Bowdoin students, faculty, and staff at the Maine Lounge in Moulton Union.

Revkin also visited the anthropology first-year seminar, Weather,

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# Darfur committee to finalize recommendation for Board



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

An open discussion at Wednesday's Darfur forum gave members of the Bowdoin community an opportunity to voice concerns to the Darfur committee about investments potentially linked to the genocide in Sudan.

by Mary Helen Miller  
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Since its creation earlier this semester, the Advisory Committee on Darfur has been formulating a course of action to recommend to the Board of Trustees regarding college investments potentially linked to the situation in Darfur, classified by the U.S. government as genocide. Several peer institutions have recently announced divestment from companies that do business with Sudan.

To many, it may seem obvious that Bowdoin should follow a similar course of action. However, at an open forum on Wednesday sponsored by the committee, several members of the Bowdoin community voiced concerns about what making an investment-related statement against Sudan might imply.

Roughly 20 students, five professors, and all but two members of the committee were present at the meeting, which took place in Searles 315. Before opening the forum for public comments and questions, the committee gave a brief overview of the conflict in Sudan and the aims of the committee.

According to Vice President for Investments Paula Volent, the committee plans to consider all input, finalize

and write a recommendation, and present the recommendation to the Board of Trustees in May. Volent also said that Bowdoin's portfolio does not currently have any exposure to companies that are linked to the conflict.

Matt Martin '07 expressed skepticism to Volent's claim because there is no universally accepted list of culpable companies.

"Is this just a symbolic action, or will it have an impact?" one student asked of the possibility of the College announcing a statement against doing business with Sudan-linked companies.

The committee responded to this concern by saying that it did not know what the actual impact of such an action would have on the Sudanese government, but regardless, the act would be symbolic.

Assistant Professor of History David Gordon agreed that the gesture would certainly carry weight as a symbol, but was skeptical that it would have any effect on the Sudan government. He explained why abstaining from doing business with South Africa was influential during the Apartheid, but regarding the current situation in Sudan, he said, "A genocidal regime does not respond to divestment."

Because the actual impact of the College choosing not to directly invest in companies involved in Sudan is impossible to determine at this point, many attendees said that they would not want Bowdoin to make the stand simply in a self-congratulatory, ineffective manner.

"I am very concerned that we don't just do this as a gesture and walk away from it," said Professor of Studio Art Tom Cornell.

Likewise, Volent said, "It seems somewhat simplistic to focus on the endowment and make a gesture and move on."

One idea that arose and sparked much interest among the attendees was the possible formation of a coalition with peer institutions in order to have a larger effect on the Sudanese government through groups such as NATO and the United Nations.

"All of our peer institutions have terribly influential alumni," said one attendee. "I would really like to see Bowdoin take a leadership role and get together [with some peer institutions]," he added.

The Advisory Committee on Darfur has held three of five planned meetings to date. In May, they plan to present a suggested course of action to the board of trustees.

## CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY REPORT: 4/20 to 4/27

### Thursday, April 20

A student reported that her bicycle was stolen from the bike rack outside Maine Hall at 1:00 a.m. The bike is a red Nishiki Colorado 21-speed with a gray fanny pack on the front. The bike had been left unlocked.

A female student reported being harassed by a male student at the Sea Dog Brewing Company in Topsham.

### Friday, April 21

An intrusion alarm was activated in Banister Hall. The building was secured and the alarm was reset.

A suspicious man was observed in Hawthorne-Longfellow Library by a security officer who was conducting surveillance of an area of the library where several students had recently been the victims of laptop computer, iPod, calculator, and book theft. The man fled when he was approached by a security officer and was apprehended by area police following

a high-speed vehicle pursuit through Freeport, Brunswick, and Topsham. Matthew Lajoie, 19, of Brunswick was arrested in Topsham. The incident remains under investigation. (See story, page 1.)

### Saturday, April 22

A student with an open container in Coles Tower lobby was cited for an alcohol policy violation.

An intrusion alarm was inadvertently activated by a student at Bahister Hall.

Security officers observed a group of local juveniles consuming alcohol behind Farley Field House and seized two backpacks filled with beer.

A security officer recovered a blue, men's Road Master bicycle on a Farley athletic field.

### Sunday, April 23

A fire alarm was activated at Brunswick Apartments by smoke from burnt food.

A female Coles Tower student was transported to Parkview Hospital for observation.

Dining staff at Thorne Hall reported threatening and intimidating behavior on the part of intoxicated students who were denied entry to Super Snack.

A student reported that the rear window of his car was smashed while it was parked in the parking lot at 38 College St.

Robert Robinson, 22, of Brunswick was issued a criminal trespass warning for all Bowdoin properties. A photograph and further information is available on the Bowdoin Safety and Security web page.

### Monday, April 24

A fire alarm was activated in East Hall's kitchen when students attempted to fry chicken and the hood fan could not handle the volume of smoke.

### Tuesday, April 25

A fire alarm was activated by a student when he entered a dark hallway at 10 Cleaveland Street and reached for the light switch, which turned out to be the switch for the fire alarm.

A student reported that she lost her silver, blue, and black Nokia cellular phone in the vicinity of Kanbar Hall, North Campus Drive, and Coleman Hall. The phone has the student's name written on it.

### Wednesday, April 26

A student reported damage to her vehicle while it was parked on South Street. The passenger side mirror was dislodged and hanging from its cables.

A student reported a broken pane of glass in a door at the south entrance to Silks Hall. The damage was repaired.

A Coles Tower student experiencing flu-like symptoms was transported to Parkview Hospital by Brunswick Rescue.

### Thursday, April 27

An underage student was cited for an alcohol policy violation after she was observed consuming alcohol at Magee's Pub.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.

## Student group Clean Energy Now urges administration to purchase 100 percent of Bowdoin's electricity from clean, renewable sources

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dealing with a highly volatile energy market in terms of pricing."

Asked how the group might respond if the administration says the plan is too costly, Clean Energy Now member Katherine Kirklín '07 said, "It is affordable. If money is a problem, it is just a matter of finding the appropriate purchase" since there are many options. She said schools all over the country with smaller endowments have taken big steps.

In its letter, the group also wrote, "As students of differing values and disciplines, we recognize that committing to 100 percent renewable energy is a large responsibility that would require financial readjustment and foresight. However, a decisive step to fulfill our responsibility to the local, regional, and global community, as well as to future generations, is precisely what we are asking."

The College uses oil and gas to heat much of the campus during the winter, and most of its vehicle fleet is gas-powered, though the student plan does not take issue with either of these aspects of Bowdoin's total energy use.

"I think the administration is open to [our plan]. All signs point to yes. This is the logical next step," Kirklín said.

Longley has sent out two all-campus emails this year outlining detailed ways to reduce energy consumption. The College has also signed Governor John Baldacci's "Carbon Challenge" this year—a voluntary program dedicated to significantly cutting carbon emissions by 2010.

In a college press release in January, Longley was quoted using very similar language to that which is planned to appear in the letter to her today.

"By volunteering for the Governor's Carbon Challenge, Bowdoin is stepping up to show our commitment to being good environmental stewards, and carrying on the College's principle of working for the common good," said Longley.

Bowdoin said in the press release that its target goal would be to cut

carbon emissions directly and indirectly by 11 percent and that it would do so through actions including lowering winter building temperatures from 72 to 68 degrees, buying a hybrid car, changing the types of fuel oil used on campus, buying geothermal heating systems for construction projects, running an energy conservation dorm competition, and buying energy-efficient computer monitors, to name a few.

The plan to buy 100 percent renewable-energy electricity would go beyond the minimum requirements of the governor's challenge, the students said.

The students cited as inspirations environmental writer Bill McKibben and New York Times science writer Andrew Revkin,

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Katherine Kirklín '07  
Clean Energy Now

both of whom have spoken on campus recently, as well as articles by New York Times columnist and author Thomas Friedman that have "emphasized the responsibility of institutions of higher learning to serve as leaders in the fight against global warming, as they did during the struggle for civil rights in the 1960s," said the group in the letter.

Members of the group also said they were particularly inspired after attending the Northeast Climate Conference earlier this month at Yale University.

The letter said that Colby, Bates, and the College of the Atlantic have all committed to purchasing 100 percent renewable energy electricity.

"Colleges from Connecticut to California are taking initiative and making the switch to accountable, clean energy," the group said.

"We hope the petition will put pressure [on the administration] in a non-aggressive way...this is the right thing to do, and is in line with the values of the students and the school," said Kirklín. "This is an opportunity for students to say they care [about clean energy] in a quan-

tifiable way."

Group members Holly Kingsbury '07, Kate Hourihan '07, and Jonna McKone '07 agreed.

"People in Maine are looking to Bowdoin. Now is the time that there is widespread student interest," said Kingsbury. "This is an opportunity for the school to set the bar for energy use in the country."

The group has used the student digest to publicize its drive. This week Kingsbury added a listing that said, "Climate change is the challenge of our generation. Let's rise to it."

Hourihan added, "There is a responsibility for institutions with resources like Bowdoin [to act]."

Kirklín said last year a student group with similar aspirations was unsuccessful in its drive.

Associate Professor of Government and Asian Studies Henry Laurence commended the students of Clean Energy Now for their efforts.

"I think it's an excellent idea, and I applaud heartily the students for taking the initiative. There's a lot of empty rhetoric about breaking the nation's addiction to oil, but this is a very positive and practical step for the college to take to help tackle a serious issue," he said.

Zachary Linhart '07, a member of the College Republicans, was not as quick to jump on board. He said he likes the concept of Bowdoin buying the cleanest energy, but that such a step should not get in the way of top priorities like providing good housing for students.

"I think clean energy is a great idea, but we're paying a lot to go here so it may not be worth the money if it [adds pressure to] raise tuition," he said.

McKone said climate change is an issue "far beyond environmental protection," and that she hopes the College makes a decision about its next energy purchase in a transparent way.

"This is a great opportunity to at the very least educate students," she said.

## Revkin gives Thomas Cassidy Lecture



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

After his lecture, New York Times science reporter Andrew Revkin, left, signed books at a reception at the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum.

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Climate and Culture. After a short lecture illustrating his views on climate change, he fielded questions from the class.

One argument against global warming that he did not mention in the lecture, but did cover in class, was the idea that the arctic is too beautiful to destroy.

"Aesthetics are always discounted," he said. "Scientists hate talking about beauty."

Revkin brought up the April 3 issue of TIME Magazine, the cover of which featured global warming as a threat: "Be Worried. Be Very Worried." He considered the sarcastic approach counter-productive, saying that such a cover makes the global warming debate appear partisan.

At the end of the evening lecture, Revkin took out an acoustic guitar and performed his self-penned song, "Liberated Carbon," with the satirical chorus, "Liberate some carbon—it's the American way."

Revkin is part of the band Uncle Wade, and has written profiles on musicians for the Times.

Revkin's new book "The North Pole Was Here" is on sale at the Bowdoin Bookstore. He says the book is aimed toward everyone "10 and up."

Revkin said that he believes there is hope for controlling climate change. "Believe it or not I'm optimistic," he said in his lecture.

"If young people don't get agitated about this, then there is no hope," Revkin told the anthropology class, speaking of climate change. "That generation has to get righteously indignant."

### Multi-Skill Part-Time Position Available

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## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

### NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

#### Students remain silent to increase awareness

Queer and straight students alike refrained from speaking on Wednesday as part of the Day of Silence, a nationally practiced event meant to raise awareness about the silencing of queer voices.

"The day is just to make people aware, to make people think about it," said Dan Cooperman '09, who organized the event with the help of the Bowdoin Queer-Straight Alliance (BQSA).

Those involved in the Day of Silence agreed that their vows impacted those around them on campus throughout the day.

"Honestly, I feel like these people wouldn't participate in a discussion without this visible presence," Susie Kimport '09 said.

Lauren Duerksen '08, another participant in the Day of Silence,

also saw an impact. "Even the people who weren't silent got the point," she said.

Others felt differently about the relevance of the Day of Silence.

"I think we could accomplish a lot more if we talked about it and got the subject out in the open, instead of just not talking about it," said Carlos West '09.

Some members of the BQSA were also frustrated by parts of the day.

"A lot of queer kids I know are talking [and not participating.] If they're not doing it, why should I do it?" said Alanna Beroiza '09.

"I was kind of frustrated throughout the day," said Cooperman. "I kind of wanted to see more people involved."

For her part, Duerksen still felt that it was clear the Day had an impact on some.

"You still have that five people, or that 10 people, who want to talk

about it, and I think that's important," she said.

#### Twenty classes to submit course evaluations online

Twenty classes have been selected to fill out end of the semester course evaluations online. The classes are part of a pilot program, created to identify problems that might occur through submitting course evaluations online.

Students in the selected classes will not submit paper forms. After submitting the online course evaluations, students will have an opportunity to offer feedback on the process in a follow-up survey.

If the pilot program is successful, the College may consider putting all course evaluations online in the future.

—Compiled by Chris Marotta and Mary Helen Miller.

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# Grants support local non-profits

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Ten local nonprofit organizations that might otherwise have been left unfunded will be supported by the College's Common Good Grant this year.

The Common Good Grant program was established in 2001 through a restricted gift by an anonymous donor who wanted to acquaint students with grants, philanthropy, and the needs of nonprofit agencies.

Since its establishment, it has allocated \$10,000 annually to local nonprofit projects with the purpose of advancing the common good. This year was an exception, however, with \$17,500 donated due to an added \$7,500 to the grant base.

Deciding the allocation of the funds were 14 Bowdoin students, led by Doris Ramirez '07 and Bruce Baird '08, all of whom were selected in March to be on the committee. In response to a desire to extend the amount of grant money by raising additional funds for projects, an extension committee was also formed.

The extension committee in turn worked with volunteers from Bowdoin's development division and potential donors to discuss proposals and, when lucky, receive donations. Community members collectively added \$3,500 to the grant pool, with an additional \$4,000 coming from a gift from the Class of 2005.

In spite of the added financial backing, only 10 of the over 30 organizations that applied received funding, with grants being awarded to programs "with clear and

reasonable objectives that would positively affect the local community and its citizens," said Extension Committee member Andrew Combs '06.

According to committee member Taneisha Wilson '07, it was difficult to select recipients of the award from among many worthy programs.

"The fact that we had \$7,500 in grant money really helped and eased some of the burden by providing the opportunity to fund more programs," she said.

*"We would not otherwise be able to participate in the Community Read program because it is not part of the budget. The grant will cover a good chunk of the purchase of these books."*

Sandy Weiss

Community Read Program at Patten Free Library

Receiving the 2006 Common Good Grant are Bath's Middle School Garden Club, the Dorcas Mission Team at Bath United Church of Christ, Care Net of Midcoast Maine, Flying Changes Center for Therapeutic Riding Inc., Friends of Merrymeeting Bay, Spindeworks, Patten Free Library, Pejepscot Historical Society, Sweetser, and Two Roads Maine.

According to committee member Lisa Peterson '07, the Common Good Grant Committee distributed grant applications to local non-profits in the fall and sponsored a grant writing workshop in January. Final applications were due in February. Applications were reviewed within subcommit-

tees of three students each, after which the committee as a whole reviewed the finalists.

Organizations receiving the grants are required to provide updates on the progress of the project and use the funds within a year of the award.

For the Patten Free Library, the Common Good Grant is an opportunity to provide programs for which it would not otherwise have any funding.

According to Sandy Weiss, who runs the Community Read program at the Patten Free Library, "We would not otherwise be able to participate in the Community Read program because it is not part of the budget. It's a supplemental programming piece for which we need to fund raise. We always have to find grants for it."

"We try to get people in the community to read the same book and have discussions about the reading," Weiss said. "The grant will cover a good chunk of the purchase of these books."

Interim Director and Curator of the Pejepscot Historical Society Katie McBrien said that her organization will be putting its grant money toward developing educational programs that target groups underrepresented in curriculum.

According to McBrien, the Common Good Grant "has definitely strengthened the relationship between the College and the community. Brunswick is so lucky to have the College in the town."

Peterson agreed. "The Common Good Grants challenge the image of a 'Bowdoin Bubble' and encourages students to be involved in the community in a very proactive sense," she said.

we feel more assured about the way it's working, and we might be able to condense that a little bit. It might increase the drama from lottery to lottery but condense the impact over the course of a few days," said Pacelli.

Pacelli said that this was one of the issues that she is trying to improve.

"One of the things we've talked about for next year is if we can shrink the amount of time over the course of days in which we run the lottery. There's a lot of advantage to shortening the amount of time that this process dominates student life," she said.

"There's a certain amount of lag time built into the system now, so I would be worried about reducing that flexibility. But this is the third year we've been doing this online;

lotteries may be condensed in future

## Lag time between

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Tower because we were rising juniors, and we were counting on it," she said. "But now almost no rising juniors got into the Tower, so it's impossible for us to find a place as a block that we can switch into."

Kate Krosschell '09 bemoaned the drawn-out process of the lottery, which lasted almost three weeks from the first information session to the final lottery.

"I'm happy with the result [a Chamberlain double]; I just wasn't as happy with the process as I could have been," she said. "I think it

### PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT:

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#### SNAP BANDS ARE IN:

A new batch of Bowdoin pedestrian safety snap bands has just arrived. They are available at the Department of Safety and Security, through Bowdoin Student Government, or just ask any security officer you see on campus. The highly reflective snap bands feature the Bowdoin word mark and are now available in five dazzling colors.

## Sting operation culminates in high-speed chase through Brunswick, Freeport, Topsham

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Mercier pursued the suspect on foot. Lajoie turned right on Park Row and climbed into a blue Ford Focus. He did not acknowledge Mercier as the officer attempted to open the vehicle's door. Lajoie started the engine and backed up quickly, nearly striking Mercier, who had moved toward the car's rear to try to read its license plate number. Lajoie then peeled out down Park Row toward town at a high speed.

Mercier used his radio to contact another security officer, Jolo Craig, who was patrolling the campus perimeter in a Security vehicle. Craig pulled out to Maine Street behind Lajoie and confirmed the license plate number while the Communications Center notified the Brunswick Police Department (BPD). Craig then stopped

Hawthorne-Longfellow. On April 11, a TI-83 calculator was stolen from the ground floor. On April 14, five books, an iPod, and a cellular phone were taken from a third floor carrel. On April 16, a student reported three books missing. On April 19, a laptop computer was reported stolen from a basement carrel, and later that day, another calculator disappeared.

"Based on the pattern over the last few weeks, we thought that we were going to get hit again, and we were right," said Nichols.

The undercover officer, dressed "like a Bowdoin student," had been assigned to make rounds in the library between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., paying especially close attention to the areas from which items had been recently stolen.

In light of the effectiveness of this strategy, Nichols indicated that

*"Based on the pattern over the last few weeks, we thought that we were going to get hit again, and we were right."*

Randy Nichols  
Director of Safety and Security

Security might employ undercover officers to prevent crime on campus in the future, though he emphasized that Security has "no plans" to plant undercover officers at campus parties.

"We set up this operation to protect Bowdoin students," he said. "They were being victimized, and we had to put a stop to it."

Nichols mentioned that preventing crime in Hawthorne-Longfellow is more difficult than in many other campus buildings because it is so widely accessible and contains so many valuable items. Nichols said that he meets with library staff "regularly" to discuss crime prevention.

"A lot of the patrons are [non-students] and with that comes certain risks and problems," he said.

Security's joint investigation with BPD concerning the library thefts is ongoing. BPD questioned Lajoie on Thursday, but Nichols would not disclose the details of that interview. Security has not questioned any other suspects with respect to the thefts.

"We still have a lot of investigating to do," said Nichols.

In the meantime, Nichols advised students to "anticipate that the thefts will continue."

"Students should be cognizant that if they leave their belongings lying around, they might not be there when they get back," he said.

Nichols recommended using a security cable to protect electronic items. In the April 14 case in which books, an iPod, and a cell phone were stolen from a carrel, the thief spared a laptop computer whose owner had bound it to a nearby pole using a security cable.

"Most of these [thefts] are crimes of opportunity," said Nichols, who added that cutting a security cable is inconvenient for opportunistic criminals.

### CORRECTIONS

The April 21 story "Self-study highlights decade of change" should have said that the recently redesigned course requirements apply to the Class of 2010.

The BSG Election Results box should have highlighted both Erma Drigo and Clark Gascoigne as the Class of 2008 BSG Representatives and Ben Freedman and Sam Dinning as the Class of 2009 BSG Representatives.

The Orient regrets the errors.

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# Student goes public with details of J-Board proceedings, allegations of academic bias

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work last semester and will graduate from Bowdoin next month. He said he does not consider himself part of a particular Christian denomination.

"I just consider myself a disciple of Christ," he said.

Helminiak admitted to officials that he placed Christian tracts in books in the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library in the fall of 2005. According to the Judicial Board's recommendation to Associate Dean of Student Affairs Margaret Hazlett, Helminiak admitted to inserting approximately 1,000 tracts into library books. Tracts are small pamphlets that address Christian issues and contain religious scripture.

At the time, Helminiak worked as a student assistant at the library. He said that he inserted some tracts while he was working weekend nights, but noted that he mostly distributed them when he was not on the clock. He did not admit to inserting all of the tracts that had been found by library employees.

Librarian Sherrie Bergman said that library employees began finding tracts in books in 2000. However, the brochures started to appear regularly last fall, she said.

Though the library does not explicitly instruct student workers that tracts are not permitted, she said she expected that student employees "would understand that these activities are prohibited."

The tracts were inserted in books on specific subjects, such as Judaism, abortion, and homosexuality.

"Most of them actually were about Christianity in a broader sense," Helminiak said. "There were some that were specifically addressing certain issues from a Christian perspective."

Helminiak noted that one tract was titled "Innocent Blood." That pamphlet, he said, relates the "innocent blood of Christ on the cross to maybe like an innocent baby." Another pamphlet included text that was supposed to be the diary of an unborn baby. The tracts are available at [tractleague.com](http://tractleague.com), which is the web site from which Helminiak purchased his pamphlets. The diary tract includes the entry, "December 28: Today my mother killed me."

Helminiak said that he had hoped the tracts would be helpful to whomever read them and would not be offensive.

Three library patrons, including one staff member, one student, and one local resident, discovered the religious leaflets and brought them to the circulation desk. Those patrons "felt extremely intimidated and upset about finding them," Bergman said.

The library called on the Department of Safety and Security to help determine who was disseminating the tracts. Security launched an investigation that Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols termed "lengthy."

Nichols said he would not release Security's report on the matter because it contained witness information and explained investigative techniques.

However, he noted that the "bulk" of the evidence came from security camera footage. Since Helminiak was a student, the case was referred to the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs.

with Helminiak in order to discuss the case and disciplinary action. Helminiak elected to have Bradley pass judgment, with the option of moving the case to the Judicial Board if he was dissatisfied with Bradley's decision.

Bradley said the major charge against Helminiak was for "disrupting the orderly processes of the College," which is included in section seven of the social code.

Bradley did not believe the College was abridging Helminiak's speech rights.

"I told him I would fully defend his right to express his Christian views on this campus," Bradley said. "And [I] said I will go to Smith Union right now with the box of tracts that they removed from the books... We'll go to Smith Union right now and get some pushpins and you can put them on the bulletin boards, and I'll protect your right to do that."

In his meeting with Bradley, Helminiak pointed out that other students previously had written "homosexual obscenities" in chalk outside the Chapel—which Helminiak had found particularly offensive because of the location—and did not see why this was permitted while the tract dissemination was not allowed.

"I said you can chalk these pieces of scripture that are in your tracts. You can go out and chalk it on the Quad right now. I'll go get you the chalk. I'll stand there and protect your right to do that," Bradley told the Orient.

"But, in the same way that we don't want people putting Papa John's coupons in the library collec-

*"I said you can chalk these pieces of scripture that are in your tracts. You can go out and chalk it on the Quad right now. I'll go get you the chalk."*

Craig Bradley  
Dean of Student Affairs

tion or advertising for other services or products, you can't use the library collection as your vehicle," Bradley said.

According to Helminiak, Bradley decided to institute a \$1,200 financial penalty and place the student on social probation.

Bradley said the financial penalty was intended to compensate the College for the staff hours required to check books and remove tracts.

"What I felt most strongly about was that he would accept some responsibility for doing what he'd done, and that he would pay the restitution," Bradley said.

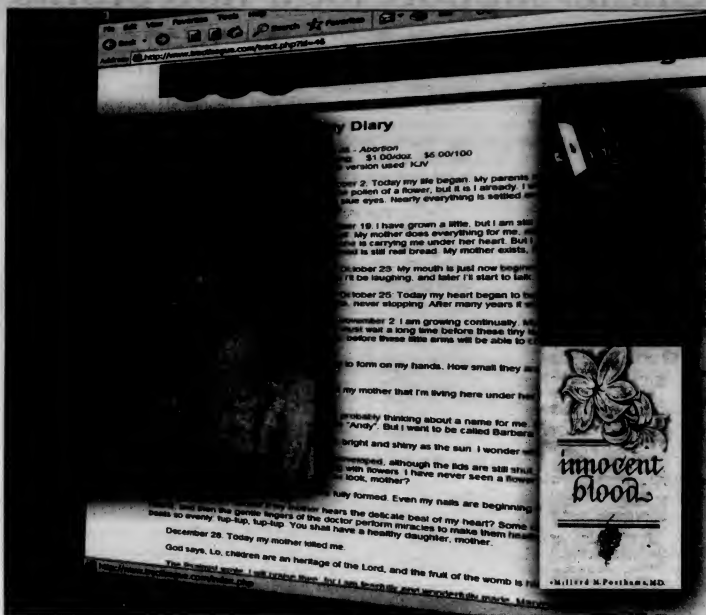
Bergman told the Orient that student assistants had to spend time examining library materials instead of working on other library projects.

"This tremendously interfered with the productivity of our student assistants," she said.

## Judicial Board action

Dissatisfied with Bradley's decision, Helminiak elected to have the Judicial Board hear his case. The case was chaired by Shrikhal Karmacharya '06, who referred the Orient to Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Mary Pat McMahon. McMahon advises the Judicial Board.

McMahon said that she asked Judicial Board members not to speak with the Orient about the case, but upon receiving Helminiak's signed privacy waiver, provided comment



Orient graphic. Photo courtesy of the Bowdoin Bugle. Tract, web page source: [tractleague.com](http://tractleague.com).

Ryan Helminiak '05 said he purchased the tracts he distributed from [tractleague.com](http://tractleague.com). Some of the tracts he distributed addressed abortion-related issues. One tract simulated the diary of a fetus.

and a copy of the board's March 1 recommendation.

According to college policy, the board determines whether a student is responsible for violating the social code, and then recommends sanctions to the dean of student affairs. Since Bradley had recused himself from the case, Hazlett was delegated the authority to make the final determination on sanctions.

According to the board's summary recommendation, Helminiak was responsible for violating two portions of the social code.

First, the board found that Helminiak's action "obstructed the ability of researchers," "hindered the overall function of the library," and "failed to abide by the operating regulations of the library because there is a procedure by which holdings are accepted and cataloged," all of which led the board to find Helminiak responsible for disrupting the orderly processes of the College.

As for the second violation, Helminiak broke the social code section that requires students to comply with college policy, the board said. The board wrote that Helminiak "used a one-way exchange of ideas which forced ideas upon people who were not seeking it," which violated the College's policy on solicitation. According to the report, he also broke the policy on using college property for unapproved commercial, business, political, or public purposes.

"Ryan utilized the College's property for public purposes by disseminating information to the public because he wanted to help 'save their souls,'" the board wrote.

The board recommended that Hazlett place Helminiak on social probation for one semester and that the student should pay restitution of at least \$250 to provide for the purchase of 10 books. That became the final approved sanction. McMahon wrote in an email that the board created its sanction "from scratch" and was not told that Bradley had origi-

nally levied a fine of \$1,200.

During his March 1 hearing before the board passed judgment, Helminiak read a 3,500-plus-word statement, which he provided to the Orient. In the statement, he argued that his actions did not violate the social code.

"The allegation that I used college property for commercial business, political, or public purposes is false," he wrote. "I am doing this because I want to save souls from everlasting shame and contempt."

"I expected closed-minded Christianophobes [sic] to be upset by my actions, but putting Christian tracts in books is not wrong because the head librarian and closed-minded Christianophobes dislike it," he wrote, citing a statement about freedom of expression in the student handbook. "Those who oppose my action are either unaware of these values of the Bowdoin learning community, do not understand them, or are violating them."

In the statement, he alleged that

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Ryan Helminiak '05

specific college officials were responsible for perpetrating anti-Christian discrimination.

Helminiak especially took issue with Bradley. The student filed a grievance against Bradley with President Barry Mills regarding the dean's decisions in the case and his statements during his first December meeting. Mills initiated an investigation.

"The president has reviewed the findings of the investigation and is confident that a complete and fair investigation was conducted," Assistant to the President Scott Meiklejohn wrote in a statement, noting that Mills took the allegations

"very seriously."

"We believe that Ryan's allegations are without merit," he wrote.

## Charges of academic bias

Helminiak's charges of religious discrimination have not been limited to the library tract case.

Earlier this year, Helminiak filed complaints with Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen. Helminiak said that Professor of Philosophy Scott Sehon and Visiting Assistant Professor of History Nicola Denzey perpetrated anti-Christian discrimination in their classrooms. McEwen eventually cleared both faculty members of the charges, which stemmed from class periods in 2001 and 2003.

In the fall of 2001, Helminiak enrolled in Sehon's Philosophy of Religion course, which examined the question of whether God exists. Helminiak, who had been expressing his beliefs about God in his assignments, claimed that Sehon asked him "What are you doing at Bowdoin?" in the middle of a lecture and made similar statements at other times during the semester.

"I have asked many students why they came to Bowdoin," Sehon told the Orient. "I have never told a student that he or she did not belong at Bowdoin, nor have I said anything that implied that. I teach logic regularly, so I'm pretty cognizant of what my words do and do not imply."

Helminiak said that the statements were "psychologically stressful" and led him to drop out of Bowdoin for the spring 2002 semester. In his statement to the Judicial Board, he said that his religious beliefs strengthened over that semester, and he decided that he would re-enroll at Bowdoin.

"God told me to go back to Bowdoin to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, so that is what I am doing at Bowdoin," he wrote. "I found many Bowdoin students to be open to talking about God."

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## Two views

In December 2005, Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley met

## Professors say open mind necessary for learning

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In the spring of 2003, he enrolled in "Early Christian Literature," a religion class taught by Denzey. Helminiak said that on the first day of class, Denzey "threw a Bible to the floor."

Helminiak said that he does not worship the Bible, but said Denzey's action was "very disrespectful to my beliefs." He dropped the course after the first day.

"It's certainly true that I threw a Bible on the ground," Denzey said in an email interview. "I've done it in classes more than once, even, and it's in fact a 'trick' I learned from discussions with a professional group of academics who teach in New Testament."

Denzey said she has found that many students say that the Bible is just a book because they believe that is what she wants to hear.

"My point was to challenge those students saying 'yeah, it's just a book' to realize that, no, it's a book that still has power and deeper meaning or significance to many of us—even those of us who weren't raised Christian or Jewish, so we should talk about that," she said. "And that's what we talked about for the rest of the course."

In an April 6 letter to Helminiak, McEwen said that he investigated the student's complaints by reviewing student course opinion forms and speaking with the professors.

He wrote that none of the student opinion forms included allegations similar to Helminiak's, and noted that three forms from nearly five years ago encouraged Sehon to include more reading on the work of atheists.

McEwen wrote to Helminiak that Sehon "did not specifically remember you or any incidents related to your enrollment in the course"; however, Sehon told the Orient that he did remember Helminiak but could not recall asking Helminiak a question about why he was at Bowdoin. McEwen wrote that it is "perfectly appropriate" for Sehon to tell students that if they are enrolled in the course, they probably should be willing to examine their beliefs thoughtfully and critically.

McEwen also found that Denzey's Bible-throwing exercise "is likely to create discomfort among some students but such discomfort is not inappropriate."

"Neither of the situations that you complained of involves anti-Christian hostility or discrimination," McEwen wrote. "Indeed, the efforts of these faculty members to push students to reflect critically and thoughtfully about their beliefs and assumptions are examples of good teaching."

### Academic issues

Both Denzey and Sehon acknowledged that talking about religious issues in the classroom can be difficult.

"It can be hard to investigate rigorously and objectively," Sehon said. "It's a fairly natural part of the process."

"Well, one challenge I see in some students of faith at Bowdoin and other places I've taught is that they are often locked in some kind of struggle between staying true to themselves and their beliefs, and having to also do the work of being a student at a secular college," Denzey wrote.

She said that that struggle often comes to the forefront in science and religious studies classes.

In his op-ed submission to the

Orient, Helminiak offered his motivation.

"I came to Bowdoin to try to broaden my horizons and gain a greater appreciation for my faith and how it fits within the world," he wrote.

Denzey said that higher education institutions find themselves in a "real quandary."

"We need to respect our students' beliefs, but the problem is that all these beliefs cannot be reconciled with one another into one happy institution," she wrote. "Sometimes they run counter to one another."

"That's why a place like Bowdoin falls back on its core principles: to be tolerant, to encourage open dialogue

*"We would have cultural warfare in the stacks."*

Sherrie Bergman  
Librarian

and discussion, and to create an active environment of learning excellence," Denzey wrote.

Sehon commented on the recent discussion about students reporting faculty members to the administration, which occurred during debate over the Academic Bill of Rights earlier this year. A student government bill that stemmed from the Academic Bill of Rights encouraged the administration to create a group that would receive and investigate complaints about faculty members.

"It's disturbing," he said about the concept of students reporting professors. "I fully plan to teach Philosophy of Religion in the fall."

### More tracts

Even though Helminiak is now off-campus, tracts are still an issue at the library.

"Unfortunately, the library is now facing another influx of tracts," Bergman, the College's librarian, said.

"We've opened another investigation," Nichols said. "We'll make every effort to identify who's responsible."

Nichols said that visitors found placing such material in the library

could be issued a criminal trespass warning.

He noted that tract placement not only costs the College since the library must pay staff members to search for tracts and remove them, but also takes up the time of members of his department.

If a positive spin can be found, Bergman said, it is that "moments like this create a wonderful opportunity for libraries to educate the community about our core values."

"I have always viewed the library and the collections...as the bedrock of the intellectual freedom that faculty members and students enjoy in the classroom," she said.

The library's ban on tracts, she said, is intended to protect access to all points of view. Thus, individuals and groups should not use the library as a platform, she said. Even posters advertising student government candidates are removed by staff, she said.

"We would have cultural warfare in the stacks," she said.

She said that the library's actions are independent of the personal views of its staff members.

"Each of us on the library staff hold our own beliefs," she said. "We never, ever mix those with the role of the library. That has to remain neutral."

As for Helminiak, he said that due in part to the discrimination he feels he experienced, he does not plan on returning to campus for graduation next month. He will receive his diploma in the mail. He is currently taking an emergency medical technician course.

"I am considering several career options, including the medical field, teaching, and missionary work—but whatever career I pursue will definitely include Christian ministry," he said.

He said he does not regret his decision to stay at Bowdoin after his first year.

"Through my relationship with God, I felt called to go to Bowdoin and to actually spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ," he said. "As far as academics go, Bowdoin has definitely fallen in my esteem. I did well in high school and felt that I would have continued that at Bowdoin. But there were other factors that were involved."

## BNAS and Longfellow School possible sites for future Bowdoin expansion

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### Longfellow School

A proposal is currently under consideration by the Brunswick School Board to close Longfellow School, an elementary school that is bounded by private Longfellow Avenue homes to the west and Bowdoin property to the east. The CNA has mobilized to lobby against the closure.

The potential closing of Longfellow School has prompted some residents to question whether Bowdoin would be interested in purchasing the 2.5-acre property if it was for sale.

In February, Bowdoin Senior Vice President for Planning and Administration and Chief Development Officer Bill Torrey told the Orient that the College had no plans to purchase Longfellow Elementary.

"It wouldn't be appropriate to say that we'd be interested if these properties came on the market because they're not on the market. We believe very strongly that the community

needs to do the right thing with their school system and that's it," he said.

"I don't know if they're interested in the Longfellow school," Lundquist said. "I certainly hope not. I'm hoping the Longfellow School remains a grammar school. I think most people in the neighborhood are. The college neighbors are very much in favor of neighborhood grammar schools."

### Air base closing

A final decision on the fate of Longfellow School could take up to a year.

The decision last year to close Brunswick Naval Air Station by 2011 presents the College with growth possibilities to the east.

The potential acquisition of some of the base was discussed in the draft of Bowdoin's reaccreditation self-study study, released last week.

"Bowdoin is represented on the Local Reuse Authority for the naval air base and may be interested in acquiring portions of the base property for future College use," the report reads.

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## FEATURES

## Father's history sparks scholarship for Wells

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

When thousands of Jewish refugees were desperately seeking a way to escape Hitler's Europe at the onset of the war, the only government that would harbor them was General Rafael Trujillo's ruthless dictatorship in the Dominican Republic. Trujillo, known in the past for gross human rights violations, opened his country's doors to 1,000 German and Austrian refugees, in hopes of whitening the race and gaining favor with the United States. He took in the refugees when no one else would and provided them the land and resources to create the island's most productive dairy cooperative, Sosua.

This engaging story is the subject of Professor of History Allen Wells's most recent research for which he has been awarded a fellowship

from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation in order to complete a book on the subject. While this topic might spark the interest of any specialist of Latin American history, Wells finds the subject striking for a different reason—among those 1,000 Jewish refugees was Wells's father.

"I had always had in the back of my mind to do a little article on this because it was part of my father's past and there was an interesting story to be told about this dictator who was so ruthless and he spared these people's lives," Wells said. "There was an irony in that."

Wells's past research focused on the social, political, and economic history of a region of Mexico called Yucatán

and on the history of commodities in Latin America. However, he kept coming back to the idea of writing about the unusual colony that saved his father's life but stayed away from the subject, assuming the records would be printed mostly in German. Although Wells' father was fluent in both German and Spanish, he required that his children learn only Spanish while growing up in the Bronx, because while German was "the language of the old country," Spanish was "the language of the future."

"I always felt that I couldn't do a big project on this because all of the papers would be in German," Wells said.

From 1997 to 2000, Wells worked as associate dean for academic affairs at the College, and toward the end of his three-year term, was anxious to continue his work outside the

office setting.

"Doing cleanly things is exhausting after awhile," he said, "so I told the people in the office I was going to go down for a couple of days to New York to look at the records of the refugee organization that had brought these refugees to the Dominican Republic so many years ago, fully expecting that all of the records were going to be in German and that I wasn't going to be able to do anything about it."

To his surprise, the records on the colony were, for the most part, in Spanish and English.

"I found out there was an enormous correspondence in Spanish and in English with very little in German and



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Professor Allen Wells teaches History 258: Latin American Revolutions. Wells has taught the course for over two decades. During the 1980s, the course was as much current events as history.

that it linked the dictator Trujillo to Washington, to U.S. foreign policy, to Franklin Delano Roosevelt, to the state department, to the refugee organization...so all of a sudden, this whole project just came open to me," he said.

Wells has completed most of the research for his book and will be taking leave from teaching for the next three semesters to complete his project.

"I have to do a little clean-up research next year—I'll be going to the Dominican Republic and also to New

York to do some interviews with refugees who are now in their 80s and 90s. I'm pretty close to having a first draft, so the bulk of the year will be revising it and getting it ready for publication," he said.

Wells has traveled to Latin America more times than he can count over the course of his life, for research, teaching, and occasionally, to support a cause.

"I was opposed to U.S. policy in Nicaragua during the 1980s, and so I got involved in what was called solidar-

ity work—speaking out against U.S. policy," he said.

Researching Latin America during the past 30 years, Wells has witnessed many conflicts and changes right before his eyes.

"It's never a dull moment when you're in a continent as vast as Latin America with so many countries, so many things happening. In the last 30 years, so much has happened—all of

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## HIV tests can relieve fears, increase safety

## Ask Dr. Jeff

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Dear Dr. Jeff: So what's the deal with HIV testing? What are the different kinds of tests? How accurate (and expensive) are they? What's the difference between confidential tests and anonymous tests? What does the school offer? Who needs to be tested? Where are nearest testing facilities that offer rapid HIV testing? Is the test accurate if I've had sex recently? If I haven't shown any symptoms do I need to be tested?

—A.S. (Anonymous Student(s))

Dear A.S.: Lots of good questions about an important topic!

HIV tests can be categorized in a number of ways. First, there are screening tests, as opposed to "clinical" tests. The former are meant for people who don't know if they've been exposed to HIV, the latter for those who know they've already likely been infected. Screening tests look for antibodies to the virus, an indication of prior exposure. "Clinical" tests, on the other hand,

might measure actual viral load or other clinical correlates of active HIV infection.

Screening tests look for antibodies to HIV most commonly in blood, saliva, or urine. In general, screening tests are "staged." They start off with a less expensive test that's very sensitive but less specific. That means that they will miss extremely few, if any, true positives—the trade-off being that they will read as positive some number of true negatives. For HIV testing, this initial stage is usually done by an "ELISA" ("Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay"). A negative result, for an ELISA done at the appropriate time (more on this later!), is virtually 100 percent accurate. All positive results are confirmed (or refuted) by a much more specific, and much more expensive, "Western Blot" assay. A positive ELISA followed by a negative



The Health Center offers both rapid and confidential HIV tests. Rapid HIV tests provide results in as little as 10 minutes. Confidential HIV testing is done in a private setting, and results are only shared with you and the Health Center.

Western Blot will be reported as negative.

HIV screening can be done anonymously, confidentially, or, like

know who you are, so we've tried to come up with the next best thing. When we send off specimens to the state lab, they are labeled only with

a numeric code, and you alone are the keeper of that code. The consent form you sign, and your test results, are kept in a special locked file, separate from your medical record. When you come in to pick up your results, you take them and your consent form with you, or we shred them. Nothing goes into your chart—not even an indication that you were ever tested. And HIV testing at the Health Center, like all STD testing done at the Health Center, is free of charge. Your insurance policy (through Bowdoin or your parents) will not be billed for these tests.

"Rapid" screening tests for HIV have been available for a few years now, and we offer both rapid and conventional tests at the Health Center. Rapid-test HIV ELISAs screen blood or saliva and give on-site results in 20 minutes. The rapid-test ELISAs are very slightly more sensitive for blood than saliva, and this difference can be somewhat more significant when testing individuals with low exposure risk.

We send nearly all of our conventional HIV ELISAs to the State labs, where they're processed anonymously. If someone needs to have his or her results identified by name (for instance, for a Peace Corps

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# Rapid HIV tests give results in 20 minutes

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application), then we send the test off to a commercial lab. The state labs take about a week to return the test results. Commercial labs generally take only a few days.

In all cases, whether rapid-test or conventional, and whether saliva-, blood-, or urine-based, positive ELISA results always need to be confirmed by Western Blot. Getting negative results from a rapid-test, without a needle stick, and after only 20 minutes of waiting, may certainly qualify as near-instant

gratification. Waiting many more days for definitive results, however, after a "positive" rapid-test screen, would obviously prove to be extremely stressful.

All HIV screening requires pre-test and post-test counseling by a specially trained provider. As I hope I've already made clear, these tests have a number of often complicated nuances, and decisions about which test is best, and about when and how best to take them, can sometimes be quite challenging. This is especially true with the issue of timing.

It takes at least a few weeks after

an infectious exposure to HIV to develop antibodies to the virus. Antibody levels that can be detected by screening ELISAs may take even longer to develop: up to three months for about 95 percent of us. If you want virtually 100 percent certainty with an ELISA, you need to wait six months after a possible exposure to be tested. A negative ELISA means that you almost certainly were not exposed to HIV six months ago or before. If you're looking for that 100 percent reassurance about something that may have happened in the last six months, you can't get it from a screening ELISA.

In its initial, acute phase, HIV infection can cause any number of non-specific symptoms, like fever, fatigue, body aches, sore throat, and swollen lymph glands. In this initial phase, HIV may be indistinguishable from a host of other far more common viral infections. It may also be asymptomatic, causing no signs or symptoms whatsoever.

If you are concerned that you may have been recently exposed to HIV, and have no symptoms, you should see a health care provider and determine whether you can reasonably wait the three or more months for ELISA screening. If you are concerned that you may have recently acquired HIV, especially if you do have symptoms, you should see a health care provider and determine whether you should undergo clinical testing with one of the more complicated, more sensitive, and, needless to say, more expensive modalities, like PCR. These "clinical" assays can detect minute levels of the virus itself in your blood, well before your body has made enough antibodies to register on an ELISA.

So, A.S., a lot of good questions, and a lot of complicated material to cover in just a couple of pages.

We're all happy to talk this over in detail with you at the Health Center. Just call for an appointment. But if you're looking for HIV screening, you'll need to make that appointment by May 5. Because of possible delays in getting HIV test results back, and because we want to make sure we can properly cover the post-test counseling, we won't be offering any HIV testing this semester after the 5th.

Be well!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center

# Professor Wells to work on book



Michelle Argueta, The Bowdoin Orient

Professor Wells is taking a three-semester leave from teaching to complete his book about the Dominican Republic accepting Jewish refugees during World War II.

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the revolutions, all of the military regimes, U.S. foreign policy—it's never the same, and that's what makes it wonderful—that you can track these changes over time and see how the country is evolving," he said.

Wells is currently teaching Latin American Revolutions and The Mexican Revolution at Bowdoin; however, he began teaching about revolutionary movements three decades ago, during the height of the Contra War. At the time, Wells was teaching at Appalachian State University in North Carolina, where he spoke as an expert on the guerrilla movements before a number of organizations.

"Usually there, I was regarded as some sort of leftist radical. They used to call me a communist when they introduced me," he said.

"Then I taught for part of a year at the University of California, San Diego, and the student body there was so far to the left that it was tip-

ping into the Pacific Ocean," he joked. "There, I was considered a conservative. I've gone from one extreme to the other. I don't think I've changed that much, but the clientele was very different."

Meghan Maguire '08, a current student in Wells's Latin Americans Revolutions class, said that it is Wells's passion that makes him such an invigorating professor.

"There is something so real about Professor Wells, in the way that it makes you want to really engage yourself with the material in and out of class," Maguire said.

"His enthusiasm for Latin America is literally infectious. I love the way he really gets into lecture. He'll sit cross-legged on the desk at the front of the table and lean forward when he talks, like a storyteller really getting into his story," she said.

Wells will return to Bowdoin in the spring of 2008. His son, David, will start at Bowdoin this fall as a member of the Class of 2010.



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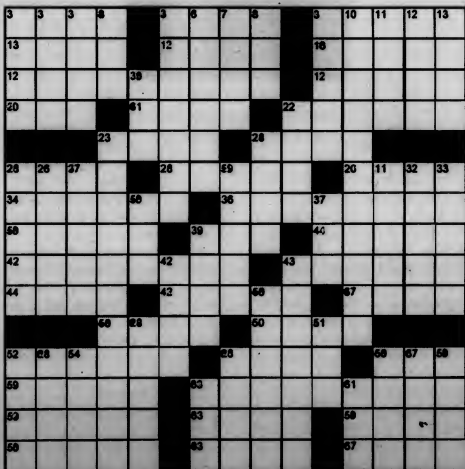
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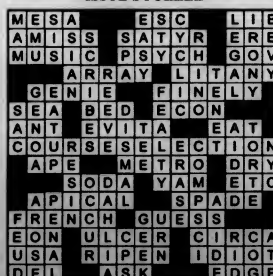
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### SOLUTION TO LAST ISSUE'S PUZZLE



Today marks the beginning of the 141st Ivies Weekend. A holiday of drunken debauchery—a campus-wide party of monumental proportions spanning two days—awaits all Bowdoin students who choose to partake. With exams only two weeks away, many see this weekend as the last chance to party hard before the final academic push.

A student standing at the Pinestock concert with a Budweiser in hand, reveling in the glory of it all, might not feel a great connection to the College's history. He ought to, though. Ivies has a long, interesting history that connects students of today to those of the last century—a history that, as it turns out, has absolutely nothing to do with the Ivy League.

#### "Auld Lang Syne"

The tradition of Ivy Day at Bowdoin began on October 26, 1865, when the junior class, following in the footsteps of Yale University ritual, planted an ivy near the Chapel. On that Thursday, 141 years ago, a poem, an ode, and an oration were presented to the junior class.

"There was a lapse of eight years," according to an April 1976 Orient article, "before Ivy Day was revived."

In June 1874, the class of 1875 planted an Ivy and added a rituals to the day. (Ivy Day, and, later, Ivies Weekend, has been held in the spring ever since.) Prizes known as "Junior Honors" were awarded to members of the junior class. According to "The History of Bowdoin College," a book written by Louis C. Hatch in 1927, "one honor [was] real and always the same. A wooden spoon [was] given to the most popular man in the class," the person more highly esteemed and respected than any other junior.

The other prizes handed out on Ivy Day were humorous. Among them were a "mirror for the most handsome man" and "a jackknife for the ugliest," according to the Orient article from 1976. Other prizes were also awarded according to a 1932 issue of the Orient: A spade was given to the biggest "grind" and a moustache cup—a drinking glass crafted to keep a man's moustache from soaking in his drink—was bestowed upon "the man with the lightest beard," an apparent attempt at ironic humor.

Ivy Day was not just for the junior class, though. Starting soon after the Day was revived by the class of 1875, the senior class became an integral part of the Ivy ceremonies.

On Ivy Day, all the seniors stood around the Thorndike Oak and smoked a peace pipe, each man passing to the next. Seniors then walked, in formation, to their last chapel service.

"There is a brief service, then the Seniors in solid body, lock-step, move slowly down the aisle singing 'Auld Lang Syne,'" Hatch wrote. "It is a touching scene, not only do some of the fair spectators shed tears but the Seniors themselves are at times unable to control their emotions."

One man in the Class of 1892, "a big, hardy fellow, the very reverse of a sentimentalist" was stricken with such emotion during the march down the aisle that he had to be held up by his classmates, according to Hatch. A few tears may be shed this Ivies Weekend, but it is unlikely that a rendition of Auld Lang Syne will be the precipitant. "Beer tears" are not, after all, often caused by sentimentality. And they are certainly not caused by sadness over Bowdoin not getting into the Ivy League, a common myth, because Ivies Weekend has

nothing to do with the Ivy League.

"A few years ago admissions tour guides were telling people that it represented a time celebrating Bowdoin's turning down of an invitation to join the Ivy League," Secretary of Development and College Relations John Cross said. "That's absolutely ludicrous!" There's no evidence that Bowdoin ever was offered or rejected a place in the Ivy

League, which was a harbinger of the parties to come after the turn of the century. Bowdoin graduated its first female student in 1975. As an all-male school with strict rules regarding female guests, Ivies provided a rare opportunity for male-female interaction. According to Secretary of the College Richard Mersereau '69, until the school went co-ed, stringent "puritanical" regulations

regarding students' dates were enforced without mercy.

"There were all sorts of arcane rules: Women could be in a room above the first floor, where all the bedrooms were, until five o'clock. And then, because they wouldn't have places to stay, the people living in the fraternity would leave and the women would stay there," Mersereau said. "Occasionally someone would break the rule and if they were caught, they were thrown out of school."

The first party at a fraternity house was hosted in 1911 at Kappa Psi Upsilon (now Quinby House), marking a shift as Ivy Day became part of a larger Ivies Weekend.

The first college-wide event was a "gym ball" held in 1912. The next week's Orient noted that some students and their dates danced until sunrise. This is not surprising given the fact the College's harsh regulations.

The gym ball became the "Ivy Ball," which students looked forward to all year along with the multitude of other special events that followed Ivy Day. "Juniors observe Ivy Day," a May 23, 1924, Orient headline trumpeted. "Fraternities hold house parties," a sub-headline added. "Receptions, house dances, picnics, dinner dances and gym dance make Ivy of 1924 most enjoyable in many years."

Each Ivy Ball had live music often performed by the most popular bands of the time. Duke Ellington came in 1928 and 1932. Louis Armstrong performed in 1936. Count Basie came in the early 1960s. Simon and Garfunkel performed in 1967. Even after the Ivy Ball ceased to exist, top bands graced Bowdoin's campus. B.B. King performed in the mid-1970s, for example.

# FROM TEARS TO BEERS

## A HISTORY OF IVIES WEEKEND

#### Tradition

Despite the pall of the Great Depression, the 1930s was a hallmark decade for Ivy Day and the following weekend. Parties roared at all 12 fraternities until early in the morning and alcohol flowed readily—even during Prohibition.

During World War II, it appears that Ivy Day traditions continued, if with little celebration. This is not surprising: Most of the civilian population of Bowdoin had gone to war.

In the 1950s, Ivies continued as it had in the 1930s.

"It was a terrific weekend. It was really fun," John R. MacKay, II '56 said. "Everybody consumed more alcohol than they should have, but we all survived." MacKay is a partner at the law firm of Lowenstein Sandler PC.

The 1960s, a time of tumult and change in the United States, was also a

time of transformation for Ivy Day. In 1964, the formal ceremonies (the presentation of the poem, the ode and the oration) ceased to be performed, although an Ivy was still planted by the junior class each year for the '60s. The class of 1970 was the last group of juniors to plant a class ivy.

Prizes, the wooden spoon in particular, continued to be handed out every Ivy Day until 1970. It is unclear when the ugliest-man prize ceased to be awarded.

Despite the end of the traditional planting of the ivy in 1970, the let-loose, party-hard, alcoholic spirit of Ivies Weekend only grew. In 1971, the first Ivies Weekend without any rituals (other than heavy drinking) took place. In an Orient article from that year, Ivies is written up as being filled with "rock concerts, beach parties and some of the year's wildest campus debauches." Alumni recount that drinking remained central to the weekend.

"It was just parties back then," Mark Worthing, M.D. '77 said. And frat parties, as had been the case in decades before, were where the action was. A number of frats had parties off-campus.

People would "play on the beach and bring kegs of beer." Beer aside, the Ivies of 1975 had little connection to history.

"By the time we were there, the tradition of the Ivy had been lost," Worthing said. In 1976, the ceremony of Ivy Day was revived, if for only a year or two. A wooden spoon was awarded to a member of the junior class, an oration and a poem were given, and, in place of an ivy, a tree was planted.

"I really like how it all turned out," Worthing said. "It was raining but we were under the opening of the VAC, which was brand new right then. We had this tree to plant... It was just nice to see that [tradition] again."

It was the Ivy Day tradition's last hurrah.

In the 1980s, Ivies Weekend was a big, important party, although bereft of any 19th-century tradition. "It was a big deal," Marijane Benner Browne '83, a lawyer, said. "People definitely drank."

As the fraternity system was phased out in the 1990s, Ivies Weekend changed only in the venues where students went to drink: from frats to College Social Houses.

The new millennium brought a small dose of anarchy to Ivies at Bowdoin. After a series of incidents, dinner on the Friday and Saturday of Ivies was moved outdoors and plastic trays and metal knives and forks

were replaced with paper plates and plastic silverware.

Two years ago drunken students chopped down a tree causing thousands of dollars worth of damage. In 2005, the Bowdoin Fire Department had to be called to remove a student from a tree after he became stuck.

#### Ivies 141

This year marks the 141st celebration of Ivies. We've come a long way since tearful renditions of 'Auld Lang Syne.' For better or for worse.



Courtesy of Bowdoin College Archives

League. As it turns out, the Ivy League was organized in 1956. Bowdoin's Ivy tradition began more than 90 years earlier. The term "Ivy League" was coined in the 1930s.

The Ivy League "didn't issue invitations in the first place and, in the second place, they wouldn't have been inviting Bowdoin, I don't think," Cross added.

Other similar rumors—that Ivies weekend is a period of celebrating the College's independence on the anniversary of Bowdoin's rejection from the Ivy League, for example—are also wholly untrue without factually basis.

#### Where's the Party At?

Partying and music are inextricably bound in the tradition of Ivy Day and are, perhaps, the strongest link between the Ivy Day of 1865 and Ivies Weekend of 2006. After the first Ivy was planted, Bowdoin students threw a "party" (in the most general sense) in the Brunswick Town Hall that included a concert and a dance. Despite their best efforts to entice residents of Brunswick and Topsham to the event, organizers were sorely disappointed with turnout. The November issue of the Bugle—then published monthly—scolded locals for missing such an entertaining time.

There were whispers of "a few lady friends from out of town" staying at Bowdoin for the Ivy Day festivities in



Brunswick firefighters help extricate a Bowdoin student who had become pinned in a tree. The rescue took place early Sunday morning of Ivies Weekend 2005.



# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Students strut ASA stuff



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

The Asian Students Association (ASA) concluded its celebration of Asian Week with its annual fashion show last Saturday.

## OK Go to headline Ivies concert

by Jesse Drummond  
ORIENT STAFF

On most spring weekends, students use the Quad as a venue for sun tanning and disc tossing. On Saturday, students will use it as a dance floor.

OK Go, a Chicago-based rock band, will join the long tradition of bands that have performed on Ivies Weekend—a list that includes Miles Davis, Duke Ellington, Simon and Garfunkel, B.B. King, and Louis Armstrong.

OK Go formed in 1998 and quickly became well-known in Chicago, opening for acts like Elliott Smith and The Promise Ring. The band released two untitled, three-song CDs before signing with Capitol Records in 2002 and releasing its self-titled debut album. After a two-year international tour, OK Go returned home and completed its second album, "Oh No," which was released in 2005.

Saturday will mark the second time that OK Go has played at Bowdoin. It performed in Morrell Lounge two years ago. Inviting the same band to perform twice in three years was a concern for members of the Campus Activities Board (CAB), but after an extensive selection process, the CAB was confident in its choice.

The selection process began in January with a preliminary brain-

storm, which led to a list of about 35 bands. The CAB then polled students and used their responses to narrow down the list. The most popular group on the list, Toots and the Maytals, which the CAB contacted earlier in the year, declined

for a second time, and the CAB decided to invite OK Go.

OK Go will play on Saturday afternoon in front of Hubbard Hall. Two campus bands, Xeno Groove Quartet and Lady Rose, will open the show starting at around 1 p.m.

## Artist Schnabel to give jewelry lecture

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

In his career, Julian Schnabel has worked in many locations and used a wide array of artistic media. A visual artist, Schnabel's tools include those of a painter, sculptor, photographer, and film director. He will be delivering a lecture titled, "Learn How to Make Indian Jewelry from a Real Indian" in Kresge Auditorium Saturday at 5 p.m.

Schnabel was born in New York City and eventually moved to Brownsville, Texas, with his family. He received a BFA from the University of Houston in 1973 before returning to New York to participate in the Whitney Museum Independent Study Program.

During his travels in Europe in 1978, Schnabel was particularly struck by the architecture of Antonio Gaudi. His solo work was

first displayed in 1979 at the Mary Boone Gallery in New York City and has since been exhibited throughout the world. Schnabel's work was brought to the attention of those beyond the art world through his unusual use of broken plates and crockery as canvas. He came to prominence in the 1980s as a leading figure in the neo-expressionism movement.

"Schnabel is a major, major figure in the art world," said Visual Art Professor Mark Wethli.

Wethli said that he has heard rumors that many artists from the far reaches of Maine are making their way to Bowdoin for the lecture.

Schnabel's first film, "Basquiat," premiered in 1996 and was an official selection of the Venice Film Festival.

In 2000, Schnabel's second film, "Before Night Falls," was released. The film chronicles the life of Cuban novelist Reinaldo Arenas, and actor Javier Bardem's portrayal of the writer earned him recognition at the Venice Film Festival, as well as Golden Globe and Academy Award nominations for best actor. "Before Night Falls" was featured on over 100 top 10 lists by the year's end.

The direction, photography, and painting involved in the Red Hot Chili Peppers' album "By the Way" is also the work of this artist.

Schnabel's life is set against a diversity of backdrops, as he and his family split their time between New York City; Montauk, New York; and San Sebastian, Spain.

## IT puts Bowdoin podcasts on iTunes

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

Type "Bowdoin College" into the iTunes Music Store, and it will actually return results beyond the generic weather report podcasts.

Thanks to the efforts of those in Information Technology (IT), New Media Director Mark Leaman and Multimedia Designer Kevin Travers, podcasts featuring the Asian studies department, the music department, Bowdoin sports, and BCNews are now accessible on iTunes and through the Bowdoin podcast web site.

The podcast project began when Leaman and Travers collaborated with Asian Studies and History Associate Professor Tom Conlan, an expert on Mongolian scrolls. The length of the scrolls required students to constantly flip pages in book form in order to understand the scrolls, inhibiting the students' ability to see the scrolls in their entirety.

Leaman and Travers created a Bowdoin web site that showed the entire scroll and also provided zooming capabilities, a glossary, and interactive comparisons between scrolls from different centuries. Eventually, beginning in September, the "scroll project" evolved into Bowdoin's first podcast because it had already proved its compatibility with the new technology.

Since the scroll project, Leaman and Travers have created several different podcasts and made them available through iTunes. The most popular podcasts come from the Bowdoin music department, which holds a spot in iTunes's top 100 educational pod-

casts. These selections include the Bowdoin Choir, the Chamber Choir, and the Mozart's Birthday Concert. There are also broadcasts from the women's basketball games, Common Hour presentations with Charles Johnson and Matthew Pearl, and various interviews with professors and program directors on campus.

Leaman emphasized the ease of creating and using a podcast and also the recognition that Bowdoin has received from this new technology.

"The music podcast points directly to the music page, so it's bumped up the traffic to the music webpage significantly," he said.

Leaman and Travers do not edit the content of the podcast, but "clean up" the audio to make listening more enjoyable.

*The music department holds a spot in iTunes's top 100 educational podcasts.*

"We facilitate the creation of content instead of making it," Leaman said. "We convert material

or set up individual feeds for the professors."

This means that the podcasts are original recordings, but Leaman and Travers make that audio much more pure and easily accessible to anyone with iTunes.

In terms of new developments, IT Loaning may soon have podcast-friendly portable recording devices, which have microphones for recording club meetings or concerts. They can then be plugged into a computer so IT can clean up the audio and loads the podcast. According to Travers, these devices make it so "there is no barrier of entry for students" into the world of podcasting. If students or faculty are interested in creating their own podcast, they are free to contact

Leaman, Travers, or Chief Information Officer Mitch Davis.

Bowdoin was recently accepted into a program called iTunes U, which gives students and faculty access to iTunes media files through Blackboard. Students can now view videos and other graphics and listen to music files in the comfort of their own rooms instead of digging around the library archives.

"Now, students can just watch the clips on their laptops on the Quad instead of in the archives," said Leaman.

The media is restricted to the campus, keeping it secure, and the convenience of being able to watch it anytime, anywhere, makes iTunes U have major appeal for college students.

Future podcasts will include more Bowdoin sports broadcasts, Common Hour speakers, and possibly WBOR talk shows. At any rate, the work that Leaman and Travers put into the podcasts has increased accessible technology in the Bowdoin community by leaps and bounds. Keep searching the iTunes Music Store—There's much more to come.

## Gospel singers spread spirit in Atrium



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Student gospel group Voices for Victory performed in the Druckenmiller Atrium last Saturday.

# 'Inside Man' a departure for Lee



by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST

Denzel and Spike are at it again, but this time there's less fun to go around.

With "Inside Man," Spike Lee abandons the unorthodox cinematography exemplified in previous films like "Malcolm X" and "Do the Right Thing," and delivers a mainstream effort that does not offer anything particularly unique.

And who could blame him? In recent years, Lee's films have performed poorly at the box office, and the well of critical acclaim has dried up and been replaced by loud criticism.

The plot of "Inside Man" is simple: There's been a bank robbery, perpetrated by Clive Owen, who is holding hostages. Denzel Washington mediates the long negotiation. Along the way, Jodie Foster enters to protect private interests, which complicates the negotiation.

Foster is an acclaimed actress who has coasted on her success in the late '80s and early '90s in films like "The Silence of the Lambs." But in recent years Foster has

barely worked, and probably should have continued her hiatus if this is the kind of work she's planning on producing. The problem is partially due to the lack of dimensionality of her role, but she is a non-presence in "Inside Man"—suave when she should have been conniving, quiet when projection of inner power was needed.

Washington, in a variation of the role that won him an Oscar for "Training Day," represents a bright spot in the cast. He and Lee have collaborated numerous times, and are in sync with



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Spike Lee's latest film, "Inside Man," is shot with a style that is more mainstream than Lee's previous films.

each other's style. He commands a sense of aggressive questioning, desiring to deduce the motivation behind a most perplexing bank hold-up. And Owen turns in solid (if a bit uninspired) work here as well.

This may be sub-par relative to what Lee is capable of, but it is not devoid of his trademarks as a director, nor little moments of genre subversion that glow amid the banality of the film's premise.

But Lee is too savvy of a filmmaker to leave it at that. One of the hostages is freed, and then refuses to speak until they give him back his turban. Washington counters by remarking that at least he can hail a cab. With this exchange, Lee shows that even a diverse city like New York is not devoid of prejudice.

Lee constantly refers to the "circus" that police and media turn events into. Once the robbery has been announced, cop cars, fire trucks and ambulances screech onto the scene from every

angle, fences are erected, and orange tape is wrapped around every post. When another of the hostages is let free due to respiratory difficulty, he wheezes "Am I going to be on TV?" Here, the spectacle becomes the substance, and modern society is so concerned with the spectacle that the main point can easily be missed.

The main point is that the robbery ends with no traces, no one hurt, no suspects found. Everything just disappeared, almost as if it never happened, and the spectacle is what created it in the first place.

But these unconvincing plot qualities are actually the point for Lee. Although there is much evidence to the contrary, people are still very willing to take part in the charade, call it terrorism, when it's a simple heist. The popularity of this message at the box office, a much softer post-9/11 terrorism condemnation than found in his superior film "25th Hour," shows how audiences are much more interested in modest genre subversion rather than true originality. Let's hope Lee doesn't learn the lesson of this film too well.

# Kick off Ivies with Gritty's Vacationland



by Carter  
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GRITTY'S VACATIONLAND—(\$7.49 for a six-pack at Hannaford)

This week provides the first glimpse of summer as the seasonal brews find their way to the shelves of beverage outlets everywhere. My first experience with this seasonal ale was last summer at a barbecue with some neighborhood friends—a terrific context in which to try a beer called "Vacationland."

This pale ale has a golden orange color and begets a small, white head when poured. Not unlike other summer ales, Vacationland gives off a sweet, fruity smell that portends its smooth taste. One of the most unique elements of this ale, as is the case with many

of Gritty's elixirs, is the dominating presence of hops which complements the sweetness in the beer's finish. I could easily drink a six-pack of this beer, especially if I were outside or sitting in the summer heat.

The beer's name is intriguing, borrowing Maine's nickname in an effort to remind drinkers that when they enjoy this summer ale, they should be on vacation. I wonder what would happen if a New Hampshire brewing company followed suit with a "Live Free or Die" lager or perhaps a Massachusetts-born "Taxachusetts Stout."

I recommend this ale for the upcoming summer months and on any or all vacations. 4 stars (of 4).

LONG TRAIL BLACKBERRY WHEAT—(\$8.29 for a six-pack at Warming's)

Widely touted as one of the best brews to ever come out of Vermont, this wheat ale delivers an interesting punch. The first quality that I noticed in this beer was the slight aroma of blackberry that escaped from the bottle immediately after the cap was popped. Like many other wheat ales, this brew pours a golden yellow that is just a hint darker than non-flavored ales.

The taste surprised me because I expected an overwhelming sweetness much like Sam Adams' Cherry Wheat Ale or Sea Dog's Blue Paw. But I found that blackberry flavorings are much more subtle. In fact, I found that the wheat flavorings and blackberry tones really didn't complement each other as well as I had hoped, providing a dry, mundane finish.

This is not to say that this beer was disagreeable; rather, the balance between the two flavors was poorly conceived. I think that the Blackberry Wheat has the potential to be a glorious beer, especially if more wheat ale flavoring were infused. Maybe the blackberries in Vermont taste different than those in other states, or maybe this beer just really isn't as good as everyone says it is. I would say it is worth a try, but Long Trail's other brews (Hit the Trail Ale, Double Bag) may be a better bet. 2.5 stars (of 4).

# First aid for fashion emergencies

by Monica Ruzicka and  
Vanessa Kitchen  
COLUMNISTS

We've all been there: You're dressed to impress, ready to party, and suddenly, disaster strikes. Whether it's a broken strap, a hem that's fallen out, or one of countless other mishaps, fashion emergencies are never fun. There are, however, some quick and easy ways you can fix things so that you can keep on dancing for the rest of the night.

Safety pins are the most important thing to have on hand at all times. They come in all shapes and sizes: chic little gold ones, medium-sized silver ones, and big, strong ones. Bring a few of each, and you're in an ideal position to help yourself, or a friend, out of a sticky situation.

If a strap breaks, depending on where on the strap is and how much weight the strap is holding up, go with any size of a safety pin. Make a beeline for the bathroom, and attach the safety pin on the inside part of the shirt/dress; you are good to go. For a hemline that has fallen down, a few safety pins on the inside of the hem will do the trick. Even a missing button can be cured by a safety pin.

Worst case scenario? A rip in the jeans in an unsightly place. Go for the safety pins and get home to change ASAP! The big safety pins should be reserved for more heavy-duty jobs like broken shoe straps. These should be fastened back on with a big safety pin. It may not be the most visually appealing, but we all know that guys don't notice our shoes anyway.

Let's face it: makeup can be the source of any number of fashion emergencies. Bold, red lipstick is

hot for the spring, but it can also be the source of many undesired effects. Have you been nudged by a friend who subtly attempts, rather unsuccessfully, to give you the "Yikes, you have lipstick on your teeth" sign with her index finger running across her front two teeth? Not hot. Neither is lipstick on your teeth. The best tip for this one is to act preemptively. Before applying the lipstick, first apply foundation to your lips. It acts as a great sealant. As an additional measure, gently blot your lips on a towel after application.

Also, lipstick (more so than other makeup) should be applied after dressing. However, if you happen to forget and you get makeup (or deodorant for that matter) on your clothes, it's always crucial to keep SHOUT wipes on hand. They work like magic. These days, many detergent companies make the easily transportable wipes, so make sure to grab some on your next Hannaford run.

The most dreaded of all makeup faux pas inevitably involve foundation. We love it, but we hate it. We especially hate it when it rubs off...on someone else. It's happened to everyone—you go in for the hug, he's wearing a white shirt, your face is just high enough to brush his shoulder, you step back, look down, and panic ensues. What's glaring back at you? A big, mortifying, bronze smudge.

Now, if this is your boyfriend or close friend, perhaps you can laugh it

off and break out those SHOUT wipes. However, more often than not, your fight-or-flight response kicks in. If you don't really know the guy or want to make a good impression, just follow your instincts—move cautiously and quickly away from your victim. Panicked, abrupt moves will do nothing but draw attention to you. Play it cool, and hopefully in the meantime, some other girl will give him a hug, and he'll think she was the culprit of the unsightly stain.

If you're going to an extra fancy event, we recommend bringing a mini safety kit for emergencies.

*Much like safety pins,  
duct tape can  
mend...just about any-  
thing that needs help  
staying in place*

Any hardware store sells super glue tubes the size of a lipstick, so if you're planning on teetering on stilettos, it might be a good idea to bring that along—a broken heel can send you home pretty quick, especially if dancing is involved, but super glue can keep you standing as long as you don't try to tango. Aside from that, a bit of duct tape is handy in case the underwire comes out of your bra and is jamming in your side. Much like safety pins, duct tape can also mend a fallen hem, slippery bra straps, and just about anything else that needs help staying in place.

All in all, the perfect "night out" package includes safety pins, duct tape, SHOUT wipes, Band-Aids (for those not-so-broken-in shoes), and tissues (ladies, use your imagination) so as to be ready for anything. If all else fails, just smile, laugh, and consider what a great story the mishap will make in the morning.

# WBOR 91.1 FM DJs OF THE WEEK



Nicole Wilson '06 and Eli Sidman '06

What is the best album ever created?

NW: Don't get me wrong, I love the Arcade Fire and Neutral Milk Hotel as much as anyone else. My favorite album ever would have to be "Illinoise" by Sufjan Stevens, though. Close second: "The Meadowlands" by The Wrens.

ES: In terms of modern, cutting-edge, blow-your-mind-over-and-over-again albums, it doesn't get any better than Prefuse 73's "One Word Extinguisher."

What is the best band to see live?

NW: Wolf Parade. The songs are anthemic and they've got the whole hair, sweaty, sex-appeal thing going on when they're on stage. It doesn't get much better than that!

ES: Probably the Arcade Fire. Probably when they're having a private Halloween show in the living room of a small building in Bar Harbor. Probably when they're dressed up like vampires and you're close enough to have awkward eye contact with all the members.

What song pumps you up?

NW: Any New Pornographers song or "Man Ray" by the Futureheads.

ES: "Seventeen Years" by Rataat. Ooh, or "Chonkyfire" by Outkast.

What song brings you down?

NW: "So Come Back, I Am Waiting" by Okkervil River. It is the quintessential unrequited love song.

ES: Well, anything by Elliot Smith. If you were the dictator of a small country, what would be its national anthem?

NW: "Hey Ma" by Cam'ron. It instills positive social values.

ES: "Ghostwriter" by RJD2. It would be a happy country.

If you were onstage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming people, what would you say?

NW: "Eli...?"

ES: Is this still in my hypothetical country? I'd say, "Hi... I'm Eli. Welcome to Sidabew."

Wilson and Sidman's show, "Hamster Huey & the Goopy Kaboodle," can be heard Wednesdays from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on WBOR 91.1 FM.

## SPORTS

## Men's lax topples Bates, Amherst

Two league victories bolster lacrosse team's confidence before NESCAC playoffs

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Men's Lacrosse Team trumped Bates College for its second NESCAC victory this week, putting the Bears in prime position to face Trinity this weekend and enter the final rounds of the NESCAC Tournament. The Polar Bears held the lead throughout the match to beat Bates 9-6 on Tuesday.

Bowdoin's offense was in full swing with Kevin Mullins '07 and Chris Eaton '06 scoring two goals in the first 10 minutes of play. The Bobcats fought back with two goals, but they could not break Bowdoin's 3-2 lead in the first quarter. Before the half, Andrew Nelson '06 and Matt Chadwick '07 contributed one goal apiece to give Bowdoin a 6-3 lead at the half.

Charlie Legg '07 had a fantastic game, stopping shots left and right (10 in total). Bates scored only two goals on Bowdoin's star goalie in the second and third periods.

Although usually a strong competitor, Bates could not overcome Bowdoin's lead. Many of the Bobcat shots that Legg did not stop, bounced off the goalpost. The Bobcats only managed to put in three additional goals before the buzzer, while the Bowdoin offense remained strong through the last half of the game.

This is the third-straight win for the Polar Bears. Last weekend Bowdoin faced archrival Amherst College, defeating the Lord Jeffs, 15-9. It was the first time the Bears defeated the Jeffs since 2002, making it an especially gratifying victory for Bowdoin.

"Amherst was a big win for us because no one on our team had ever beaten them before. They had won the last four meetings," senior Ryan Hurd said.

Coming off a loss to Middlebury, the Bears faced Amherst with trepidation.

Bowdoin came out strong in the first half, leading 7-4 at halftime. Co-captain Connor Fitzgerald '06 was on fire, racking up three goals overall and countless assists. Chadwick also had a winning game, putting in an additional three goals for the Polar Bears.

Co-captain Thomas McKinley '06, who contributed two impressive goals in the match, was impressed with the distribution of scoring.

"Our team offense got on track against Amherst with 10 different people scoring," he said. "As we head into the playoffs, it's nice to have our team playing well together and executing as we will face tougher opponents."

After the break, with Amherst coming back from just four points, the Bowdoin offense tore up the field, sailing in six goals in the third quarter alone. Legg was on top of his game as usual, stopping nine shots from the Jeffs' offense. After losing six games, Amherst has fallen in the NESCAC standings.

With these wins under their belt, the Polar Bears now boast a 6-2 record in the NESCAC and a 9-4 record overall.

Despite their recent success, the Bears remain cautious.

"The NESCAC is wide open with Middlebury leading at 6-1 and us, Bates, and Wesleyan tied at 5-2," McKinley said. "As the regular season winds down there are important seeding implications to be determined as well as home field advantage still up in the air."

Depending on how the Bears fare against Trinity, they will either play at home or away on Sunday for the first round of the NESCAC tournament. The Bears' recent success has bolstered their confidence, putting them in the perfect frame to play Trinity College Saturday away at 1 p.m., and move into the playoffs.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Joe Berte '09 took advantage of a Husson passed ball on Wednesday, scoring the Bears' second run of the game.

## Baseball goes on tear

by Tom Lakin  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin Baseball Team has been on a tear with a bunch of players chasing hard-to-break school records.

The Bears extended their winning streak over the weekend with an 11-1 victory over Roger Williams and two wins against Wesleyan, 10-3 and 15-6. The Bears came home for a game against St. Joseph's, finishing with a tie in the ninth inning after the game was called because of darkness. On Wednesday, the Bears returned to the diamond to defeat Husson, 8-4, winding up another week of strong performance.

Co-captains Trevor Powers '06 and Chris McCann '07 led the Bears' charge against Wesleyan. Powers was brilliant on the mound, spinning a complete game, while allowing only one run and picking up nine strikeouts. McCann continued to pour it on at the plate, col-

lecting four hits and scoring three runs for the Bears. The win was the 18th of Powers' career, putting him within one game of the record for career wins.

Bowdoin opened the game up in the fourth inning with a five-run effort. Second baseman Nick Lawler scorched an RBI double and first-year Joe Berte came up big again with a two-run single. Senior Jared Lemieux's two-hit day brought him within three hits of tying the Bowdoin career-hits record, held by Kevin Bougie '04 with 173 hits. The win, Bowdoin's ninth-straight victory, tied the consecutive-wins record set by the 1964 team.

On Saturday, Bowdoin traveled to Wesleyan where the Bears shattered the wins-record with their 10th and 11th wins in a row. McCann led the Bears at the plate in the first game, finishing with four hits and three runs scored.

The score was tied going into the fourth inning when Bowdoin broke

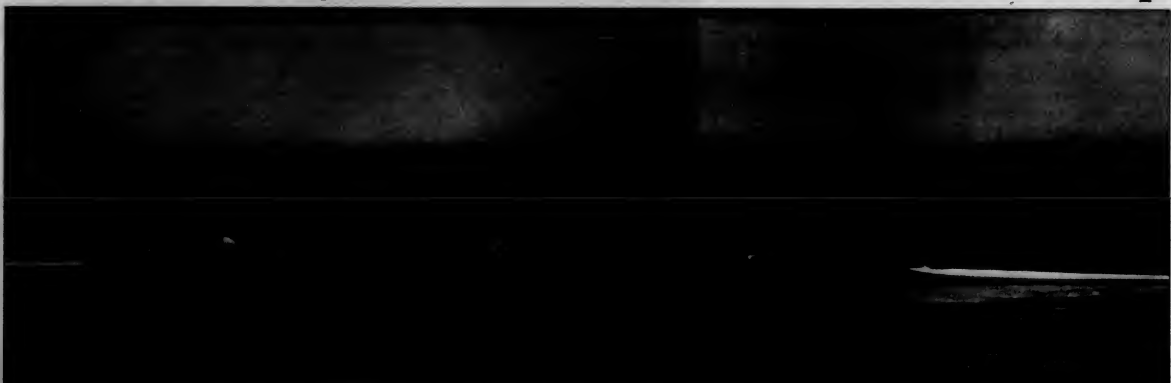
it open on singles from senior Chris Bucci, McCann, and junior John Lawrie. In the sixth, the Bears tacked on three more with a two-run triple from Lemieux and an RBI single from senior Ricky Leclerc. Sophomore Pat Driscoll picked up the win on the mound, going eight innings and giving up only three unearned runs.

The second game was more of a blowout with Bowdoin racking up a seven-run seventh inning. Lawler had a big two-run double in the inning, while Berte again contributed in the clutch with a two-run triple to add to an earlier two-run single for a four-RBI day.

Leclerc had a solid start in six innings of work, allowing only three earned runs. Junior Tyler Turgeon struggled in the seventh giving up three runs, but sophomore K.J. Kozens came in and closed the door on the win.

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## Smooth sailing for crew team at the President's Cup



Courtesy of Alison Curtin

Juniors Mark Hendrickson, Luke McKay, Nate Hyde, and sophomore Ed Carr row for the No. 1-ranked men's varsity four boat. The boat took first at the President's Cup.





Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Senior Megan Wyman takes a swing in the first game of last Saturday's doubleheader against Wesleyan. The Bears lost both games, falling to the Bantams 6-4 in the first and 2-1 in the second.

## Softball finishes season on low note

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

Riding high on the heels of a five-game winning streak, the Bowdoin Softball Team seemed unstoppable, with high hopes for locking up a NESCAC playoff birth with games against Brandeis, Wesleyan, and Bates. But after three-consecutive doubleheader sweeps, fans and play-

ers are looking for the rewind button.

On Tuesday, the Bears suffered a particularly hard-hitting loss to Bates. The two rivals, beginning the day tied for the final spot in the NESCAC playoffs, squared off in what became the last competitive series of the Bears' season.

Although the six-game losing streak destroyed the team's chances for post-season play, the Bears

played with intensity and passion. Four of the six defeats were decided by three runs or less, and one of the games went into extra innings. The closeness of the games not only demonstrate the strength of the Bears, but also the ferocity of their opponents.

One of the bright spots throughout the Bears' slump was senior captain Danielle Chagnon's brilliant per-

formance. Chagnon, who entered the game ranked in the top three in almost every single offensive category, bolstered her campaign for NESCAC Player of the Year by batting .333 with three runs, three RBIs, and two stolen bases. Chagnon accounted for 60 percent of the team's offense during the Bears' cold streak.

As the team waves goodbye to the

2006 season with two away double-headers, one today against University of Maine-Farmington, and one Monday against St. Joseph's, it is important to recognize the team's many accomplishments. As a young team, many of the women simply needed the season to gain valuable experience. With a little more work, these fresh faces will certainly be ready for the 2007 campaign.

## Baseball faces off against Bobcats in home game on Saturday

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For his outstanding play in the last four games, McCann was named NESCAC Co-Player of the Week. He led Bowdoin to four straight wins and ignited the offense with 13 hits in 23 tries for a .565 batting average and an on-base percentage of .600, all while scoring a team-high nine runs. His 52 hits of the season leaves him five short of the school record of 57 set by Dave DeCew '99 with six games left to play.

After sweeping Wesleyan, Bowdoin came home to play the St. Joseph's Monks on Monday. St. Joe's starter Steven Stout was solid throughout, giving up only three hits in the first seven innings. The Monks brought a 3-0 lead into the eighth inning, when the Bears clawed back with three of their own. The runs came on a Lemieux-RBI single, which scored Lawrie from second, followed by a single from Leclerc. Jon Koperniak '09 contributed a two-run triple to right. St. Joe's responded with another run in the top of the ninth, but Bowdoin would not give up, getting a run in the bottom on an RBI single from McCann. Bowdoin could not score again, however, and the game was soon called for darkness, ending an

11-game winning streak for the Bears. The tie interrupted St. Joe's 14-game run.

On Wednesday, Bowdoin defeated Husson 8-4 at home. The Bears scored in each of the first five innings, leading 7-1 going into the sixth. Senior Erik Morrison had a good outing on the mound, working five innings and allowing only one run. McCann scored another two runs, while senior backstop John Rosenthal plated Berte with an RBI single in the second inning. Lawler contributed an RBI double in the third. Koperniak had a big day at the plate with three hits. Berte, Rosenthal, and Bucci each contributed two.

This upcoming weekend will be especially important for the Bears as they challenge Bates today in a crucial NESCAC game at home. The team will head to Lewiston on Saturday for two more ballgames. The Bears are 22-5-1 on the season. They need two more wins to clinch the Eastern Division top seed. With the Bears looking toward the NESCAC playoffs and a possible at-large bid to the NCAA DIII tournament, not to mention that many players are just inches away from breaking school records, the remainder of the season is sure to be exciting.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Pitcher Erik Morrison '06 allowed only one earned run and three hits in five innings on the mound against Husson.

# Men's tennis set for finals after two-game streak

by Ethan Oberwager  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin Men's Tennis team had a successful weekend, defeating NESCAC rivals Wesleyan and Colby with twin 5-2 scores.

Last weekend's morning matches were not the last ones in Brunswick for any of the players, as the entire roster will return next season. Against the Cardinals on Saturday, the players swept the top three singles without losing a set and dominated the doubles by winning all three pro-sets.

The two-time winners were Sam Bitetti '07, Garrett Gates '08, and Alex White '09. Also victorious for Bowdoin was sophomore Noah Buntman at the fifth spot, winning his match in straight sets as well.

On Sunday, the Polar Bears faced Colby. In the overall victory, Bitetti came through again, overcoming adversity to win both his top-spot matches. In singles, the

ace overcame a devastating 1-6 loss to Brody Saunders to prevail 7-5, 7-5 in the final two sets. He then teamed up for first doubles with Gates, who had won his second singles match in straight sets. They overcame their Mule opponents in the pro-set, via a tiebreaker.

The third doubles team for Bowdoin, first-year Blake Wheale and junior Drew McDonald, also prevailed. White and Alex Caughron '09 won at their third and fifth singles spots, respectively.

Sunday's victory gave Bowdoin the CBB Cup for tennis, as the Polar Bears also defeated Bates earlier in the season. The perfect weekend improves the Polar Bears' record to 7-5 against DIII opponents, and places them in the NESCAC Tournament against Amherst. This match will be played at 1 p.m. today on the Williams College courts.

BASEBALL				
NESCAC EAST			Overall	
School	W	L	W	L
BOWDOIN	7	2	22	5
Tufts	6	3	16	12
Trinity	6	6	17	12
Bates	3	6	10	13
Colby	2	7	6	17

SCOREBOARD				
F 4/21	at Roger Williams	W	11-1	
Sa 4/22	at Wesleyan	W	10-3	
Sa 4/22	at Wesleyan	W	15-6	
M 4/24	v. St. Joseph's	T	4-4	
W 4/26	v. Husson	W	8-4	

SCHEDULE				
F 4/26	v. Bates	3:00 P.M.		
Sa 4/29	at Bates	12:00 P.M.		
Sa 4/29	at Bates	3:00 P.M.		
T 5/2	at Thomas	4:00 P.M.		

WOMEN'S TENNIS				
NESCAC			Overall	
School	W	L	W	L
Williams	4	1	11	5
Middlebury	3	1	9	5
Amherst	2	1	7	3
BOWDOIN	3	2	7	9
Tufts	2	2	9	7
Connecticut	2	3	9	7
Colby	2	3	7	10
Bates	1	3	6	7
Trinity	0	2	5	9
Hamilton	0	1	10	6
Wesleyan	0	0	11	3

SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/22	v. Middlebury	W	7-2	
Su 4/23	v. Colby			

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD				
SCOREBOARD				
F 4/21	Aloha Relays (at Bowdoin)	2nd	of 5	

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/29	NESCAC Championship	10:00 A.M.		

SOFTBALL				
NESCAC EAST			Overall	
School	W	L	W	L
Tufts	6	0	22	10
Bates	4	2	15	11
BOWDOIN	3	5	15	21
Trinity	2	4	19	7
Colby	1	5	10	17

SCOREBOARD				
F 4/21	v. Brandeis	L	7-2	
F 4/21	v. Brandeis	L	4-4	
Sa 4/22	v. Wesleyan	L	6-4	
Sa 4/22	v. Wesleyan	L	2-1	
Tu 4/25	at Bates	L	3-1	
Tu 4/25	at Bates	L	6-1	

SCHEDULE				
F 4/28	at UMF (2)	3:30 P.M.		
M 5/1	at St. Joseph's (2)	6:00 P.M.		

MEN'S LACROSSE				
NESCAC			Overall	
School	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	7	1	9	3
Wesleyan	6	2	11	2
BOWDOIN	6	2	9	4
Bates	5	3	9	3
Tufts	4	4	9	5
Williams	3	5	6	6
Conn. College	3	5	6	7
Trinity	2	6	6	6
Colby	2	6	6	7
Amherst	2	6	3	9

SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/22	v. Amherst	W	15-9	
W 4/26	v. Bates	W	9-6	

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/29	at Trinity	1:00 P.M.		
Su 4/30	NESCAC First-Round	TBA		

MEN'S TRACK & FIELD				
SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/22	at State Meet (at Colby)	2nd	of 4	

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/29	NESCAC Championship	10:00 A.M.		

MEN'S TENNIS				
NESCAC			Overall	
School	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	7	0	17	2
Williams	4	1	11	2
Trinity	5	2	12	2
BOWDOIN	4	3	7	9
Amherst	4	4	12	6
Colby	3	3	9	6
Bates	3	4	8	8
Wesleyan	2	4	10	5
Hamilton	1	3	7	6
Tufts	1	6	6	8
Conn. College	0	4	2	9

SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/22	v. Wesleyan	W	5-2	
Su 4/23	v. Colby	W	5-2	

SCHEDULE				
F 4/28	v. Amherst (NESCAC First-Rd.) at Williams	1:00 P.M.		

WOMEN'S LACROSSE				
NESCAC			Overall	
School	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	8	0	11	1
Amherst	7	1	11	1
Colby	6	2	12	2
BOWDOIN	5	3	11	3
Tufts	5	3	10	3
Williams	3	5	9	6
Wesleyan	3	5	7	5
Trinity	2	6	5	6
Bates	1	7	5	7
Conn. College	0	8	4	10

SCOREBOARD				
Sa 4/22	v. Conn. College	W	17-4	
W 4/26	v. Bates	W	15-9	

SCHEDULE				
Sa 4/29	at Wesleyan	11:00 A.M.		
Su 4/30	NESCAC First-Round	TBA		

- Compiled by Adam Kommel.  
Sources: Bowdoin Athletics,  
NESCAC, College Tennis Online

## Bears give Bates a run

NESCAC championship meet to be held at the John J. Magee outdoor track on Saturday

by Eren Munir  
STAFF WRITER

Eager to repeat their upset win over Bates in the indoor Maine State Meet, the Bowdoin Men's Track Team stepped onto the Colby track with anticipation. After trading the lead throughout the day, the Bears came up short in the last event of the day, falling to the Bobcats by just five points in Saturday's state meet.

Bates finished first with 204 points to Bowdoin's 199.5 points. Colby took third with 99 points, and USM came in last with 93.50 points.

There were many notable performances on the oval. Junior Eric Sofen ran a quick 33:21, good for

third place in his first try at the 10k, while first-year Jay McCormick held back until late in the race and unleashed a ferocious kick at the end to pick off second place for the Bears. In the 5k, sophomore Nate Krah finished first, well ahead of archrival Dan Vassalo of Colby. Sophomore Tyler Lonsdale finished fourth.

Once again, Joseph Adu '07 dominated the 110 hurdles with a first-place finish. Adu went on to take second in the 400-meter hurdles and the long jump. Sophomores Lamont White, Eric Lee, and Brendan Egan finished third, fourth, and fifth, respectively, in the 400 meters. Junior Owen McKenna lead the 800 meters from the start for a first place.

The men had another good day on the field. Junior Bari Robinson leaped to second place in the high jump, despite recently recovering from a twisted ankle. Senior Alex

Linhart captured second place in the weight throw with a personal best 51.5-meter launch.

Sophomore David Wagoner-Edwards earned second place in the pole vault, despite breaking his pole, while junior Robey Clark finished third. Senior co-captain Jared Prichard claimed top honors in the javelin throw for the second year in a row, with a 53.14-meter throw, while senior Matt Regele earned fourth. Senior co-captain Patrick Lyons launched his shot put over 13.75 meters, good for second place. First-year Luke Fairbanks finished close behind for third.

According to Lyons, "the men competed with great valiance, honor, and bravery. We look forward to overtaking our foes from Lewiston in the next battle."

The men will play host to the NESCAC championship this weekend at the John J. Magee outdoor track.



Mike Ardino, The Bowdoin Orient

Armin Drake '08 returns the ball in Saturday's match against Wesleyan. Drake lost his match 6-3, 4-6, 6-3. The Bears face Amherst this weekend.

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# Women's lacrosse rebounds with two wins



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Taylor White '07 jostles sticks with a Connecticut player on Saturday. White contributed one point to the Bears' victory.

by Emily Baird  
STAFF WRITER

With post-season play on the horizon, the Bowdoin Women's Lacrosse Team revamped its efforts and added two to its victory column this week. With the pressure building up to these matches against NESCAC opponents Connecticut College and Bates, the team succeeded in reestablishing its place as one of the league's top teams.

Holding onto their ninth-place ranking in the national polls, the Polar Bears finished the week with the same authority and scoring power that they possessed at the beginning of the season. Rebounding from a tough loss to Colby, Bowdoin returned to action on Saturday at home to soundly defeat Connecticut College, 17-6.

The Camels, who currently hold a 4-10 record (0-8 in the NESCAC) were no match for the 11-3 Polar Bears (5-3 in the NESCAC). Highlights in this game included goal contributions from 10 different players. First-year Libby Barton made her scoring debut in Saturday's game with a hat trick in the span of six minutes.

Bowdoin opened strong and never looked back. The Bears led Connecticut, 9-3, before the half after a scoring frenzy catalyzed by sophomore Bridget Keating's hat trick and a pair from junior Kate Donoghue.

Seniors Brooke Nentwig and Jenna Davis, and sophomores Grace Moore and Bobbi Dennison added one goal apiece to the first-half tally.

The Polar Bears carried the momentum through the second

half, adding another eight goals. In addition to Barton's three goals, Davis, Nentwig, Casey Logan '07, Taylor White '07, and sophomore Lyndsey Colburn also scored one goal apiece. First-year goalie Stephanie Collins-Finn stopped seven shots, while sophomore Kori Lamontagne made three saves.

With Saturday's win behind them, the Polar Bears seemed back in gear as they returned to their turf to battle the Bobcats. Wednesday's 15-9 victory over the Bobcats was bittersweet as it was the last regular-season home game for the team's graduating seniors.

Nentwig, Davis, and Betsy Rose '06 will be graduating this spring after contributing to 46 wins over the past four years, setting a new women's lacrosse record for the total number of victories won by a graduating class.

In front of a large and loud Bates and Bowdoin crowd, the Polar Bears quickly set the pace of play with six quick goals from Davis, Donoghue, and White, who scored two apiece. The 5-7 Bobcats (1-7 in the NESCAC) managed to rally and score nine goals by the final whistle, but not before White, Donoghue, and Nentwig each netted another two. Davis came through with a second-half hat trick to add to the Bears' lead. Collins-Finn stopped 10 shots for the Polar Bears.

The women's lacrosse team will end its regular season Saturday in Connecticut with a game against Wesleyan. The Bears will vie for the opportunity to play host to a NESCAC competitor in this weekend's tournament.

## Women's track takes second place at Aloha Relays

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

The Bowdoin women battled USM, Colby, and Bates for a second-place finish at the annual Aloha Relays. The Bears finished a mere nine points behind USM and ahead of NESCAC rivals Colby and Bates.

Saturday's meet started off strong for the women with juniors Kristen Brownell and Jamie Knight dominating the first event of the meet.

"The team got a great boost in the opening event when Kristen and Jamie finished 1-2 in the 10k," Coach Peter Slovenski said.

Led by Louise Duffus '07, Bowdoin's throwers also turned out top performances, picking up important points for the Bears. Duffus led the Bears in points, taking second place in the shot put, discus, and hammer throw. Kelsey Borner '09 snatched third and fourth in the discus and shot put, respectively.

"Louise and Kelsey gave us a big boost in the discus at the end of the meet when we were trying to pull ahead of Colby," Slovenski said.

In the javelin, first-year Chelsea Jackson captured an individual first for the Bears.

First-year Katie Mevorach made her debut in the 3k steeple chase, posting a second place and adding more critical points to the Bears' tally. Upon learning that Bowdoin did not have anyone entered in the event, Mevorach seized upon the opportunity to capture more points for Bowdoin in the most important team meet of the season.

Bowdoin's success continued in the sprints with Erin York '09, Ruth Jacobson '06, and Jessie DePalo '08 grabbing third, fourth, and sixth, respectively, in the 100-meter dash. First-year Alison Pilon and junior Gina Campella finished second and third, respectively, in the 400 meters.

Bowdoin's mid-distance runners tallied up more points for the Bears with fourth- and fifth-place finishes in the 800 meters from Amy Ahearn '08 and Ali Chase '09 in a very competitive field. Sophomore Courtney Eustace added a sixth-place finish the 1500-meter race. In the second longest race of the day, the 5k, sophomore Laura Onderko took fourth.

Emily Hackert '06 added an individual first place in the 400-meter hurdles. Elizabeth Onderko '08 took fourth.

A few minor improvements will make Hackert a strong force on the track in the last races of her college career.

"Emily has been having a great season in the hurdles," he said. "We're working on a slightly more moderate opening in her race so she can have a faster final 100. She's ready for some great races in the next three weeks," Slovenski said.

In the jumps, Molly Seward '09 and Becca Perry '07 both captured fifth-place finishes in the triple jump and pole vault, respectively. DePalo led Bowdoin's high jumpers, taking third, just one place ahead of teammate Erin Prifogle '07, who tied for fourth in the event. Pilon took sixth in the high jump. Prifogle also placed in her two other individual events, pulling in a second place in the 100-meter hurdles and a sixth place in the javelin.

Back on the track, Bowdoin's relays raked in two third-place finishes and a first place. The 4x100-meter team of Alyssa Chen '08, Jacobson, York, and Hackert took third, followed by the 4x400-meter team of Jacobson, Hackert, Pilon, and Campella for another third-place finish. The 4x800-meter team of Chase, Ahearn, Lindsey Schickner '09, and Jess Sokolow '09 snatched first.

This Saturday the women will face even tougher competition in the NESCAC championship meet, which is being held at home on Saturday.

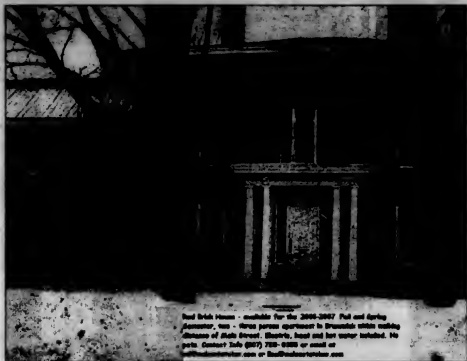


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Sophomore Alyssa Chen competes in the triple jump in the Aloha Relays.

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### Time to get clean

We wholeheartedly support the current student-led drive urging the College to commit to purchasing 100 percent of its electricity from clean, renewable sources of energy. In order to more fully articulate its commitment to curbing global warming and promoting energy independence for our nation, the College needs to take this meaningful step forward.

As centers for innovative thought and forward-minded action, all higher education institutions like Bowdoin that have commendable social consciences should be expected to adopt such common-sense plans. And no doubt, a commitment to purchase renewable-energy electricity would be entirely practical for Bowdoin.

Bar Harbor's College of the Atlantic recently signed a 20-year commitment to purchase 100 percent of its electricity from wind-energy sources right here in Maine. Bates and Colby recently committed to buying 100 percent of their electricity from renewable energy sources like biomass and hydroelectric power.

The list goes on, and it goes on for a reason.

Many of these purchases have resulted in mere drop-in-the-barrel differences in the colleges' energy budgets, and the case could be the same for Bowdoin. There are many routes Bowdoin could take, including purchasing renewable energy credits, taking the most cost-efficient routes to acquiring exclusively clean-energy electricity, or purchasing renewable energy from sources here in Maine. We're sure one of these options could be a perfect fit for Bowdoin.

For a college that relentlessly asserts its commitment to serving the common good, this move would set an example entirely consistent with that mission. Moreover, geopolitical situations in the world are increasingly revolving around oil and other dirty sources of energy that may one day lead to the drowning of our mascot, the polar bear. Bowdoin should do all in its power to combat fossil-fuel-based energy uses that emit greenhouse gases and support renewable energy sources in America.

We urge President Mills and the college administration to seriously consider these points. The plan makes sense. It's practical. It's consistent with Bowdoin's mission. It's simply the right thing to do for the College.

The editorial represents the majority view of The Bowdoin Orient's editorial board. The editorial board is comprised of James D. Baumberger, Drew Fulton, Bobby Guerette, Evan S. Kohn, and Beth Kowitz.

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## No change in sight to pork barrel spending

### You Got Conserved

by Will Hales  
COLUMNIST

Because I am certain that virtually no Bowdoin student will be reading my column this weekend, down from the five that have typically muscled through columns past, I deliver to my non-student readership (my parents) a scorcher of a column on domestic spending policy. Read on.

The political firestorm of the week in Washington centers around a Senate appropriations bill, comprised of both a hurricane aid package and a fifth emergency defense funding request, that weighs in at a whopping \$106 billion. President Bush, under pressure from fiscal conservatives in Congress, vowed Tuesday not to sign the bill in its current pork barrel-laden incarnation if the final price tag topped \$92 billion, leaving senators to pare a hefty sum from the bill.

This is an important statement for both conservatives and the President, who is working to reassert his conservative roots, but not necessarily because it will strike a critical blow to their political opponents. In fact, quite the

opposite is implied by efforts to curb superfluous spending.

Earmarking, the term given to the practice of surreptitiously adding one's "pet projects" to appropriations packages, has emerged in the past decade as one of the greatest detriments to the average American's perception of the federal government. On the other hand, earmarks are prerequisite objectives on any incumbent's road to reelection.

The paradox of the pork barrel is of epic proportions: Most Americans are highly critical of the practice when confronted with the staggering waste involved, and yet federal lawmakers have a hard

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time staying in Washington for more than one term if they can't "deliver" for their respective districts or states. Good representation no longer equates to an incumbent's ability to actually represent his or her constituents; rather, one's ability to bring money, no matter how unnecessary, to his area is the meter by which representatives are measured.

The problem in Congress today is by no means partisan; it is surprising that there are any critics of the latest appropriations bill at all. Representative Jeff Flake (R-AZ) argued in a February 9 op-ed for

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Simulation day was portrayed inaccurately

To the Editors:

In last week's Orient, we were very disappointed to find Disability Simulation Day (DSD) inaccurately portrayed and one of our statements misused. Brooke's quote, "It's frustrating when students stare at you... People shouldn't stare. It's not polite," misconstrues her reaction by taking her statement out of the context of an anecdote. The article's abrupt end, immediately following, leaves readers with the idea that bringing attention to a person's disability is offensive (and with no contrary clarification). This misrepresentation of Brooke's personal experience plays into the stigma that people with disabilities are dissatisfied and feel emotionally vulnerable to other's reactions. Not only is this portrayal inaccurate, but it also undermines the goal of DSD, which we hoped would establish acts, like staring, as natural responses and foster positive, constructive conversation about disability.

We appreciate the Orient's and Evan Kohn's willingness to write about DSD, but your selective reporting produced an article that countered our goals as an organization and as people with disabilities. Though most likely unintentional, we hope that the Orient will make a stronger effort to ensure that future pieces about Students Embracing Disabilities' activities accurately reflect its intentions, and supports, rather than hinders, our efforts toward raising disability awareness.

Sincerely,  
Brooke James '06  
Alicia Wong '07

## Your guide to surviving Ivies

### These Revelations Will Not Be Televised

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

Congratulations, friend. You made it to Ivies Weekend.

You have endured the relentless onslaught of problem sets and three-to-five page essays. You have persevered through the 8 a.m. classes, the 80-minute lectures, the five-hour Friday afternoon labs, and the all-nighters. You bravely beat back frostbite, the common cold, the uncommon cold (syphilis), mono, ringworm, carpal tunnel syndrome, and a knife-wielding ruffian in the basement of School Street Apartments.

But with the advent of Ivies comes the true test of a Bowdoin College student's survival skills. I am confident that by Sunday, the traditional revelry of April's last hurrah will have effectively separated the temperate wheat from the intemperate chaff, positively affirming the theory of Social Darwinism once and for all.

So being the humanitarian that I am, I have put together a handy survival guide to help you maximize fun and minimize unwanted arrests/STDs/ambulance fees this weekend.

I realize that it's Friday morning, and the majority of you are hung over or drunk as you're reading this. Just try to pay as close attention as possible. If you need to, get a friend to read it aloud.

For those of you who are passed out face-down in a bowl of Lucky Charms slightly to the left of this page, the only advice I can offer at

*Destroy your cell phone. Don't just hide it, because if you hide it you'll know where to find it.*

this point is to turn your head sideways so you don't drown in your milk. That would make for a pretty sorry obit.

Everyone else, listen up:

1) Destroy your cell phone. Don't just hide it, because if you hide it you'll know where to find it. If you entrust it to a friend, one of two things will happen: either he'll give it back to you once you're sufficiently

faded and encourage you to call the girl you asked to the junior high formal, or he'll leave lurid messages on every voice mailbox in your phonebook until he either passes out or forgets what he was doing. So destroy it. Verizon will buy you a new one.

2) Destroy your room phone, too. And suspend your AIM and Facebook accounts. If you own a telegraph, break it. If you own a messenger pigeon, kill it. In the interest of preventing regrettable correspondence with family, college administrators, and objects of lust, all communications media must be disabled.

And pigeons spread diseases.

3) If you're wondering at what time of day it's OK to start drinking without officially qualifying as an alcoholic, here are a few mantras to quiet the ol' conscience: (a) Mimosa is more like orange juice than champagne. (b) In many cultures it's considered rude to show up to an athletic event sober. (c) If the sun hasn't risen yet, it's technically still nighttime. (d) There's always someone who started before you. And finally, for the truly desperate, (e) Time is a human abstraction whose rules are so in-

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# Kennebec is beautiful once again

by Gary Higginson  
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

On a recent calm, sun-kissed afternoon, I set out on my first kayak run of the season. I am blessed to live high on the west bank of the freshwater tidal portion of the Kennebec in South Gardiner.

Astronomically high spring tides at new moon coaxed the still-cold waters higher as they crept past their usual levels. Nary a breeze ruffled the still waters as I reveled in the mystic glow of newfound spring. I drifted aimlessly, the lazy current as my guide; one with earth, sky, and water. Refracted light dappled the undersides of tree branches along the shore, an adult bald eagle circled overhead scanning the waters for his next meal. I felt weightless as I continued to glide, so effortlessly at times that the water didn't seem to exist. I find strength and peace in such moments, when the rat race and cares of daily life can just simply wait for a while.

Onward stretched the sapphire blue waters, interrupted by diamonds of sunlight, the cloudless deep blue sky flanked on either side by the muted browns and greens of the riverbanks.

To be sure, the Kennebec is in its present condition by no accident. The combination of the paper mill

closings and the enactment, and moreover, the enforcement of the Clean Water Act, spearheaded by our own Maine senators Mitchell and Muskie, played major roles. The federal government kicked in with funding for municipal sewage systems all along the river, the only drawback being the skyrocketing cost to local homeowners of maintaining and upgrading these facilities.

Later, after dark, I enjoyed a

*Nary a breeze ruffled the still waters as I reveled in the mystic glow of newfound spring.*

campfire in my yard under the sparkling nighttime skies of central Maine. Jupiter rose in spectacular fashion, climbing higher in the sky as the uproarious din of many dozens of Canada geese punctuated the night air.

This remarkable return to today's almost pristine river has been accompanied by a spectacular return of striped bass (in season May to mid-fall) and other Ana Ramous fish species (those that live in the ocean but return to spawn in fresh water). This, in turn, has been followed by an impressive sustained return of the bald eagle, which, only 40 years ago,

nearly disappeared from the entire Kennebec Basin.

Whereas only 10 years ago, the mere mention of recreational boating on the Kennebec drew only blank, skeptical stares, today the Kennebec is widely used by paddlers, powerboats of all sizes, and water skiers.

From its humble beginnings in the seeps and rivulets above Mooshead Lake, the Kennebec officially begins in two separate outlets from this majestic massive high altitude and lake, which has an average surface lane of 1,029 feet above sea level. It cascades down through the puckerbrush to white-water rafting heaven in the Kennebec Gorge near the Forks and Coratunk, courses down through the old mill towns of central Maine to tidewater, and is joined finally by the Androscoggin at Merrymeeting Bay, and makes its final dramatic run past Bath Iron Works and on to the Atlantic. It bids us its farewell as it merges majestically with the ocean at Fort Popham in Phippsburg, Pond Island Light, standing silent witness to its last gasp.

While mere superlatives cannot do it justice, the mighty Kennebec flows on, inviting your acquaintance and exploration.

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# Politicians are unwilling to curb pork in federal spending

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the New York Times that wasteful spending is not the only byproduct of earmarking and pork-barrel projects. Political discourse is significantly diluted when "Republicans and Democrats find common cause: protecting their pork."

Last year, there were more than 15,000 earmarks on appropriations—four times as many as in 1994; in fiscal year 2006, more than \$64 billion went to earmarked projects. The number of earmarks is almost entirely proportional to the amount of valuable debate that isn't taking place, because as Flake puts it, "every member who got earmarks is obligated to vote for the entire [appropriations] bill."

Again, this endemic waste is by no means the responsibility of a single party; for example, in the current appropriations bill, Mississippi's Republican senators, Trent Lott and Thad Cochran, have earmarked \$700 million to move a railroad line that has already been rebuilt in the wake of Katrina. This proposal has drawn specific scrutiny as the "railroad to nowhere," echoing the 2005 \$223 million "bridge to nowhere" in Alaska which linked Ketchikan, a town of 14,000, to Gravina Island, which has a population of nearly 50.

On the other side of the aisle, Senators Charles Schumer and Hillary Clinton (D-NY both), long-time critics of the Iraq war and the failures in properly equipping our troops, have scored millions within defense appropriations to fund non-defense related research in their state (some of which was carried out by the American Museum of Natural History in Manhattan). It is admirable to advocate that we better

equip our troops, but less so to use dollars better spent on body armor instead on special interest research in New York City.

This bill may become a battleground of fiscal excess for two reasons. Critics of President Bush are increasingly wary of his spending and status as a proclaimed conservative; also, the bill's purpose as a hurricane relief package and source of funding for the war in Iraq will draw attention to the nearly \$4 billion earmarked for agricultural subsidies and other non-defense and non-hurricane related spending.

Senate watchdogs led by John McCain (R-AZ) will make this as much of an issue as possible, decrying the methods with which lawmakers draw pork to their states. But is it realistic to expect change? What can McCain do as a senator, and what can we do as constituents, to effect change in the way our country is run?

Money is power, and vice versa, and that maxim rings true more so today than in decades past. Pork-barrel spending is a bipartisan issue if ever there has been such a thing. Neither Democrats nor Republicans are interested in functionally sacrificing their careers for what amounts to simply an ethical concern, especially when they are consistently rewarded with reelection for their efforts at bringing home the bacon.

There is little to support a positive outlook on this anathema in our Congress; the only cure might be legislative reforms in the ways bills are presented and considered. As long as congressmen are elected based on the money they can deliver, and not their representative prowess, there is little change to be found on the horizon.

# Enjoy Ivies without the hassle of lifelong regrets

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ganic that we changed them in 1883 so our trains could run more efficiently, and therefore any argument against alcohol consumption based on time of day is essentially baseless.

4) Don't drink and dance. I realize that Bowdoin is brimming with awkward white kids for whom drinking is prerequisite for dancing, but while OK Go is a rowdy group of fun-loving Chicagoans, that doesn't make it cool to puke all over their shoes. Incidentally, it is cool for them to sleep with your girlfriend.

5) There's no point in drinking shots. Pace yourself. Projectile vomiting seems like fun in movies, but I've heard tell that it's actually quite uncomfortable.

6) Try to keep track of what concert you're at. If you show up baked at today's Common Hour jazz and chamber ensemble recital and start noodle-dancing to Vivaldi, chances are your "mellow" will be "harshed" with extreme prejudice.

7) If you're going to be clever and tote booze around the Quad incognito, exercise some common sense when disguising it. Nobody's going to believe that's apple juice in your Nalgene, especially if it has three inches of head.

8) Chanting, heckling, and streaking are generally only accepted at athletic events and are not likely to be tolerated at the Longfellow Prize Ceremony, the China/globalization lecture, or the "Ars Antiqua" exhibit, no matter how cleverly executed.

9) Don't burn down any college property. We're short of housing as it is.

10) The rescue personnel dislodging you from a tree outside Harpswell do not want to "party" with you, so stop offering them hits from your vaporizer.

11) If you're thinking about doing something of questionable ethical or prudential merit, ask yourself, "Am I going to regret this tomorrow?" If the answer is yes, then you are probably too sober to be making appropriate judgments.

12) If you see Security officers, put down your cup and act normal. If you see green pixies dancing with pink heffalumps over a lake of purple fire, put down your cup and call poison control.

13) Justification by way of the old adage, "The memories will be worth it," is invalid during Ivies, because the memories will be non-existent. And it's important to note that chlamydia is almost never worth it.

So there you go. I've done all I

can do; from here on out, you're on your own. I hope you all have a safe and enjoyable Ivies Weekend, and I wish you the best of luck in drowning all cognizance of those monstrous research papers and exams that loom just over the horizon.

Godspeed, you beautiful, reckless bastards.

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Artwork by Anna, a member of the Brunswick community, is part of an exhibition curated by Halley Muller '06. The exhibition is on display in Lamarche Gallery in Smith Union.



## WEEKLYCALENDAR

April 28-May 4

## Friday

**Common Hour**

Bowdoin's chamber ensembles will play a wide variety of music, ranging from Schubert to Wayne Shorter.  
Tillotson Room, Gibson Hall,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

**Shabbat Candle Lighting**

Johnson House, 6 p.m.

**Levine Retirement Lecture**

Daniel Levine, professor of history and political science, will discuss his research and his thoughts on 20th-century American liberalism in a speech titled, "Another Sort of Radicalism."  
Smith Auditorium, Sills Hall,  
7:30 p.m.

## Saturday

**Ivies Rock Concert**

Celebrate Ivies weekend at a concert featuring the rock bands OK Go, Xeno Groove Quartet, and Lady Rose.  
The Quad, 2 p.m.

**Concurrent Worlds**

Dr. Jing-Dong Yuan of Monterey Institute of International Studies and Dr. Hong Zhang of Colby College will give lectures on China in the era of globalization.  
Room 151, Cleaveland Hall,  
2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

A red-winged blackbird hovers in a tree in the Scarborough marshes.

Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

## Sunday

**Sunday Mass**

Bowdoin Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

**World Music Ensemble**

The World Music Ensemble will perform folk music from the Arab world, Turkey, and Armenia.  
Morrell Lounge, Smith Union, 3-5 p.m.

## Monday

**Town Hall Meeting**

Join the Bowdoin College Democrats and members of the Brunswick community to participate in a town hall discussion with Governor John Baldacci and members of the Maine Legislature.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
7:30-9 p.m.

## Tuesday

**Bowdoin Breakfast**

Join other students, faculty, and staff for breakfast. Bob Sigel '75, president and CEO of Millbrook Distribution Services, will speak.  
Thorne Hall, 7:15-9 a.m.

## Wednesday

**Faculty Seminar Series**

Eric Chown, associate professor of computer science, will give the final faculty seminar talk of the semester, titled, "More Soccer-playing Robot Dogs: Northern Bites Team Scrimmage."  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union, 12 p.m.

## Thursday

**Community Lecture**

Come to a lecture titled, "Bowdoin International Music Festival Highlights What's to Come."  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
12:30-1:30 p.m.

**Poetry Reading**

Award-winning poet Christian Barter will read selections from his book, "The Singers I Prefer."  
MacMillan House, 7:30 p.m.

**Levine Dinner**

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to a dinner in honor of Professor Daniel Levine, Ginette Saimprevil, and Craig Bradley.  
Main Lounge, Moulton Union,  
4:30-7 p.m.

Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Reflective snap bracelets are a fashionable safety feature.



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## Legacy remains a plus for applicants

by Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

Proponents say special consideration for legacy applicants enhances loyalty among alumni; critics maintain that it gives some an unfair advantage.

The practice has been controversial for years. In the 2004 presidential campaign, President George W. Bush—a third-generation legacy himself—joked about following his father's footsteps to Yale University, but he and Senator John Kerry opposed legacy status as a factor in admissions.

Bowdoin and many other schools honor legacy status, considering it one of several "plus factors" that can tip the scales for applicants.

Interim Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Dick Steele said in an interview with the Orient that calling legacy applicants' families with bad news is not something he exactly enjoys.

"One of the most difficult things I have to do as a Dean of Admissions is to tell a loyal Bowdoin family that this is not the place for their son or daughter. I had to make quite a few

## Track team makes a splash at NESCAC championships



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Katie Mevorach '09 splashes through the water pit in the women's 3000-meter steeplechase. The event was part of the NESCAC track and field championship, held at Bowdoin last Saturday. See story, page 13.

of those painful calls this year," he said.

However, at least half of the legacies who apply to Bowdoin are accepted. According to Steele, for the Class of 2010, 51 percent of legacy applicants have been admitted so far versus 22 percent overall. For the classes of 2008 and 2009, 50

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## Baldacci: Bowdoin should lead state in clean energy

by Nat Herz  
ORIENT STAFF

In an interview with the Orient, Maine governor John Baldacci called on Bowdoin and other schools to strive for the use of clean energy.

"It would be wonderful to have an institution of higher learning that could be a role model for the rest of the state and be 100 percent clean energy," Baldacci said.

"I think that's where I'm going to be striving with the University of Maine...and I think this is where our higher institutions of learning and knowledge can be role models for the rest of the state," he said.

The interview followed a town hall meeting in Moulton Union Monday sponsored by the Bowdoin College Democrats. At the meeting, Baldacci, who is running for re-election, spoke emphatically about health care, education, and the economy, in addition to reiterating his plea for energy independence. In a

speech that preceded a question-and-answer session, he attempted to explain his complex Dirigo health insurance plan and discussed the need for energy-independence on a local and state level.

"We're looking at the expansion of solar and wind energies," Baldacci said.

"We need to declare that we're going to become energy independent. Maine is in a position to demonstrate to the rest of the country what it should be doing," he said.

Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives John Richardson introduced Baldacci and used the opportunity to thank the Bowdoin College Democrats for helping with his re-election campaign last fall. Richardson said that out of his winning margin of 1,000 votes, 900 of them came from Bowdoin students, and he credited the Democrats with garnering the turnout.

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## Coleman residents protest construction

by Miranda Yaver  
ORIENT STAFF

For many Coleman residents, the current campus construction is hitting too close to home.

Campus construction has affected the entire student body this year. The simultaneous renovations of the Walker Art Building, the former Curtis Pool Building, and Appleton and Hyde Halls are obstructing pathways and creating noise. Many Coleman students' frustrations peaked, however, when they found the majority of their dorm fenced in.

The College prepares to begin renovation of Coleman as soon as students move out.

In response to the construction surrounding Coleman Hall, a group of the dorm's residents—first years Shelley Barron, Aspen Gavenus, Jordan Agusti, Sara Griffin, Nick Norton, Liza Shoenfeld, and Dzenana Lukovic—made "Free Coleman" shirts in protest.

"We've dealt with noise, we've dealt with the water main being shut off, or the electricity going off unex-

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## College considers renewable energy buy

by Anna Karass  
ORIENT STAFF

President Barry Mills gave some students additional homework this week.

After meeting with members of Clean Energy Now (CEN), Mills and Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley have asked the group to provide the administration with additional details about options for purchasing 100 percent of its energy from renewable sources.

Almost a dozen members of CEN met with Mills and Longley last Friday, urging the College to adopt a policy for the purchase of clean-energy electricity. In addition, the group presented Mills with a petition signed by more than 700 students and faculty, who supported the initiative to buy electricity from renewable sources. Although both sides felt that the meeting was productive, administrators have not yet made a decision.

"It was, I thought, an excellent meeting. They were passionate, thoughtful, engaged, and serious," Mills told the Orient on Wednesday.

"I asked a lot of questions. They're going off to do some more investigation based on my questions. We're going off and doing some investigation based on some of the issues we talked about," Mills said.

At Monday's faculty meeting, Mills expressed concern about the students' analysis of the complex issue.

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## Stowe House renovation pending

by James D. Baumberger  
and Mary Helen Miller  
ORIENT STAFF

The house where Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote her famous novel, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," currently lies vacant on Bowdoin-owned property.

But if the College can raise the money necessary, it intends to restore the building to its former condition.

"We feel an obligation to keep it and restore it said," said Senior Vice-President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley, who is directing the project.

In 2001, Bowdoin bought the house at 63 Federal St. in a \$1.3-million purchase that also included a newer building, which was formerly operated as a hotel and was subsequently converted into college dormitories.

Stowe lived in the house between 1850 and 1852 while her husband taught at Bowdoin.

Historians cite "Uncle Tom's Cabin" as contributing to the mobilization of the abolitionist cause

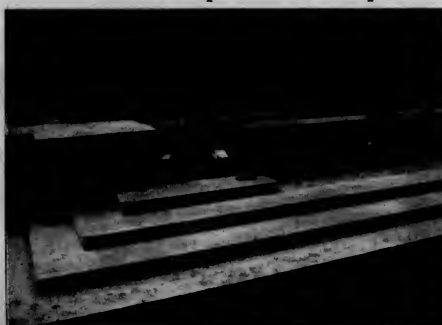
prior to the Civil War. Abraham Lincoln famously referred to Stowe as "the little woman who wrote the book that started this great war."

U.S. Congressman Tom Allen '67, D-

Maine, last year helped Bowdoin get a \$99,000 federal appropriation to fund a feasibility study for the house restoration.

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## Construction a step closer to completion



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

While construction will not be finished until spring 2007, the Walker Art Building stairs are set for completion in time for graduation on May 27.

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# Legacy admissions practices a point of contention among administrators, alumni, students

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and 60 percent of legacy applicants were admitted, respectively.

Steele said such percentages can be misleading.

"Throughout the admissions process, we are very candid with alumni and other legacy families about a candidate's prospects for admission based on his or her academic credentials and other important factors," he said. "As a result, the legacies who actually choose to apply to Bowdoin tend to be very strong candidates for admission."

Steele said that because nearly half of this select group is not admitted provides "further evidence of the highly competitive admissions process at the College."

For the Class of 2010, Steele estimated that approximately eight percent will be legacies. For the Class of 2009, nine percent, or 44 students, were legacies and for the Class of 2008, legacies represented eight percent of the class, or 36 students.

## A boost in the process

In an interview with the Orient, President Barry Mills said that legacy status does play a factor in admissions. Both he and Steele, however, emphasized that legacy status is just one of several elements that could "tip the scales."

"I think we have to be respectful and responsive to those people who have been loyal to this college, whether it is through service or financial support...If they have talented relatives, we will certainly pay attention to them," said Mills.

"Everybody who is here at the College is of value...The fact that somebody's parents or grandparents or aunts and uncles, brothers and sisters happened to go to Bowdoin is a factor that we look [at] in trying to decide who gets admitted to Bowdoin," Mills said. "But a [more important] question is: Are people talented enough to be at the College?"

Some legacy students said they believe their status may have helped them gain admission.

"I think that it definitely helped me get in," said Linzee Trough '09, whose grandfather went to Bowdoin.

Nick Peddle '09, also a legacy student, said, "I think it's OK, because I'm here. But it probably sucks for whoever's spot I took."

Ethan Oberwager '09, a student with no previous ties to Bowdoin

before applying, said he thinks a legacy status would have helped him in the admissions process.

"I applied early decision, and I got deferred—that wouldn't have happened if I [were] a legacy," he said.

Being a legacy can help a candidate gain admission, "but only if the student belongs here and can succeed," Steele said. He said to do otherwise

*"I think we have to be respectful and responsive to those people who have been loyal to this college whether it is through service or financial support...If they have talented relatives we will certainly pay attention to them."*

President Barry Mills

would be "counterproductive" and "would hurt the student and the parents," and that if they were to admit applicants who were academically unprepared, they would hear quickly about it from the faculty.

Steele said that the most important factor in admitting a student to Bowdoin is his or her academic record. He also said there is no question that many of Bowdoin's most talented accepted students are sons and daughters of alumni.

Mills added, "The students we admit to Bowdoin are talented, and deserve to be at the College. We aren't in any respect admitting anybody to Bowdoin who isn't academically talented, and talented outside the classroom in many important ways."

## Tradition and loyalty

An argument for using legacy status in admissions decisions is that more legacies may help preserve Bowdoin's sense of community and solidify loyalties among parents or grandparents who attended the College.

"Most colleges and universities would describe the members of their community as students, faculty, and staff," Steele said. "Here at Bowdoin our community also includes our alumni and parents. Our alumni are involved in a lot more than just support. They help us in admissions, and in career services and in many other ways."

Assuming their daughters and sons are well qualified, I think it is very appropriate for the alumni tie to tip the scales."

Pack Janes '09, whose father

attended Bowdoin, said he thinks giving legacies any boost in the admissions process is "good for the College." He noted that his father was quite pleased to see him follow in his footsteps.

Trough agreed, saying, "It was nice...to carry the tradition."

Portland native Chris Bixby '07, whose father, Ken, was in the Class of 1973, said he thinks giving qualified legacies a boost in admissions protects the community and helps carry on traditions.

"I looked at other schools of the same [caliber], but the personality drew me back [to Bowdoin]—I recalled coming to see hockey games with my dad when I was little," he said.

Ken Bixby said in a phone interview that he was not particularly active at Bowdoin when he was a student, nor has he been since he graduated; but he still has very strong emotions for the College and was thrilled to see his son come to Bowdoin.

He added, "When your kid gets into Bowdoin, it fulfills a huge emotional pride...It's not that he succeeded in getting into a place where I did, it's that I know he got into a place that was right for him."

"My other son goes to another school, and there is no possible way I can ever have the same emotion about this other school that I have no history with," said Ken Bixby. "Witnessing a son or daughter thrive at one's alma mater cannot help but magnify the bond that a parent feels for the school."

The father and sister of Henry Work '06 graduated from Bowdoin, but he said he's not certain that played a role in his being admitted. Still, he said, "We always joke that it didn't hurt."

Like Ken Bixby, Stewart Work '73, Henry's father, never pressured his children to attend Bowdoin, though he was very pleased they did. He added that he thinks it probably does not hurt to consider legacy status in admissions to a minor extent and that it is probably positive if it helps a school like Bowdoin decide among many applicants.

He said that Bowdoin has felt like three different colleges as he, his daughter, and now his son have gone to the College.

Sarah Bernheim '09, whose parents both went to Bowdoin, said, "I like to think I got into Bowdoin [independent] of my parents." She said while her parents were very happy, it was her choice to apply, knowing Bowdoin's reputation.

She said, "I think [giving a boost to legacy applicants] preserves Bowdoin's personality and that it helps with diversity because people with parents who went here have different perspective, too."

## Finances

Steele and Mills both said that potential fundraising does not play a role in determining whether to admit legacy applicants.

"Frankly, we do not allow information about a family's financial situation to be entered into a student's application since we are eager to be need blind in the selection process," said Steele.

He added, "We have, over the years, admitted students whose families have the means to support Bowdoin financially. That support is very important to the College and to our current students, since tuition and fees cover only about half of Bowdoin's operating budget. But we have also admitted and provided financial aid to many first-generation college students who have gone on to be leaders around the world, and who support Bowdoin out of loyalty and gratitude."

Mills noted that generous donors have come from all different backgrounds and parts of the world.

"We've admitted a lot of people over the years who have been enormously generous to Bowdoin...It is very hard

*"People with a stronger connection to Bowdoin are more likely to donate...If my brother didn't get in then I would donate less."*

Evan Gallagher '06

to predict who are going to be important donors to the College," he said.

Mills said he does not know of any studies that have been done at Bowdoin suggesting legacy admits will produce more money for the College, and, if there have been, he has not seen them.

Zachary Roberts '08 said he thinks the financial realities of accepting legacy students may make it "a tricky question."

"It may seem wrong in theory for a less worthy legacy student to usurp the admission of a more worthy candidate, and yet, in reality, if the admission of a legacy student will help the college's endowment, then it may be equally wrong to deny them, as the money they bring in can help to provide financial aid for a worthy candidate who may not otherwise be able to afford a Bowdoin education," he said.

Asked if accepting more legacy applicants can be justified because it may protect the endowment and thus provides more money for financial aid for those in need, Mills said, "No."

But some students think the main purpose for giving legacy applicants a push is financial.

"The school needs to get money...If you're a legacy and get in, they're hitting you up for money," said Matthew Schweich '09, who is not a legacy.

Evan Gallagher '06, whose father graduated with the Class of 1976 and whose brother recently was accepted as a transfer student after initially failing to get accepted when applying out of high school, said he thinks accepting more legacy students can help the College financially.

"People with a stronger connection to Bowdoin are more likely to donate," he said, adding that his rela-

tionship with the College will be stronger because his father went here and that he will donate more to the College because of it, as well as because his brother was accepted.

"If my brother didn't get in then I would donate less," said Gallagher.

## A critical look

Even though Ken Bixby's son is a legacy at Bowdoin, he said he does not necessarily believe legacy status should be a factor in selecting one applicant over another. He said he did not think it would be fair.

Some students oppose any favoritism legacy applicants might receive in the admissions process, maintaining that legacy admissions tend to favor white, affluent students.

Emily Coffin '08 said, "I don't look favorably upon it...I just don't think it's very fair," explaining that legacy status as a "plus factor" puts students whose parents did not attend Bowdoin at a disadvantage.

"It's white man's affirmative action," said Kahlil Sharif '06.

Gallagher said he thinks the positives of giving preferential consideration to legacy applicants outweigh the negatives. He noted that while some students may say it leaves students out, that argument can be made for race in regards to affirmative action.

"I can say it's not my fault I'm not a different race," said Gallagher.

Steele said he thinks many of the stereotypes of legacy students are inaccurate.

"It is important to dispel stereotypes that describe legacies as the sons and daughters of privilege. Legacies at Bowdoin tend to be

representative of our student body as a whole. Many are from Maine. Some are students of color. They are geographically diverse, as well," said Steele.

Mills said that if you look at the number of legacy students at Bowdoin, "Bowdoin is not out of balance with any other place in America, and in fact in some cases accepting a lower number of legacy students."

Assistant Professor and Chair of the Education Department Charles Dorn, who is currently teaching the senior seminar Civic Functions of Higher Education, said he thinks acting affirmatively in the literal sense of targeting certain groups such as Maine students can help promote the common good in creating a diverse student body. In regards to an applicant's legacy status, he said he would want to analyze the situation more before passing judgement.

"Legacy is, itself, a legacy of an era prior to our current period of significantly expanded access to higher education," Dorn said. "Before World War II, less than 10 percent of Americans ages 18 to 24 attended colleges and universities in the United States. The nature of that applicant pool, and the fact that most students enrolled in regional institutions, dictated radically different admissions criteria and procedures than we have today."

He added, "The central question currently confronting colleges and universities is whether 'legacy' is an appropriate mechanism for admissions given that approximately 60 percent of that age group now compete for slots in first-year classes across the nation."

Chris Marotta and Joshua Miller contributed to this report.

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# Students use tunnel to break into Moulton, steal food, knives

by Evan S. Kohn  
ORIENT STAFF

Four first years were caught breaking into Moulton Dining Hall through a steam tunnel they entered from a campus construction site last Friday at 2:30 a.m.

According to Assistant Director of Security Mike Brown, the students "took off running" after stealing "bags of bagels, pastries, Lucky Charms, and knives." Brown said that many of the bagels involved were sesame.

While running toward the Smith Union and Dayton Arena area, two of the students were detained by security officers, according to Brown. The other two were subsequently caught after running into one of the first-year dorms.

All four students made full confessions after being caught. The students were referred to the dean of student affairs.

Director of Security Randy Nichols said security officers had responded to an alarm that was activated by the students. Rodney Gagnon was the primary responding officer, and Brown and Security Officer David DeSchuitener were also involved.

He said the tunnels are dangerous since the walls can get very hot, and there is a "great chance" of getting injured.

"We consider it a real serious offense," said Nichols. "It is a safety issue."

Brown said you would have to

crawl through some parts of the tunnel, and that they were not made for human use other than for repairs.

He said there has been a history of people breaking into the underground steam tunnels and that this is one of probably 10 or so break-ins to the underground steam tunnels in recent years.

"Last time it happened, it involved some local residents," said Brown.

He suggested that an Orient arti-

cle on the tunnels earlier this academic year might have been a factor in any resurgence of break-ins to the tunnel.

"We'll be taking steps to secure the entry points to prevent this from happening further," said Nichols.

Brown added that the College will soon be upgrading the system to give them earlier notification if another break-in occurs.

## Security: Ivies a success

by Theresa Weaver  
ORIENT STAFF

Ivies Weekend had relatively few safety incidents this year, according to Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols.

"We've had the most successful Ivies Weekend in many years," Nichols said. "We measure success by how many students are safe."

According to Nichols, there were fewer dangerous incidents involving students this year than in many previous years. Dangerous situations were not all together avoided, however, as one student was transported to the hospital after passing out from drinking hard alcohol. Other students reported the incident and Security responded.

Since Ivies weekend involves more alcohol consumption than most Bowdoin weekends, Security prepared itself ahead of time to deal with any alcohol-related incidents that might

occur. Most students did not seem to resent Security's noticeable presence on campus throughout Ivies weekend.

"Our focus was on keeping the students safe," Nichols said. "We concentrated most on alcohol and safety violations that were likely to be a risk to students. I don't measure success by how many alcohol violations we can uncover but by safety."

Nichols said that it is important to have cooperation and trust between Bowdoin students and Security in order for Security to keep students safe.

"I don't want an 'us' against 'them' situation. We were delighted that students were not injured and seemed to be working well with Security. Not only was it safe, but everybody seemed to have a good time. I say thank you to the students of Bowdoin for helping us to make it safer," said Nichols.

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# 'Liberal' Levine lecture kickstarts his retirement



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Professor of History Daniel Levine will retire this year after 42 years of teaching.

by Adam Kommel  
ORIENT STAFF

After 42 years of teaching at Bowdoin, Thomas Brackett Reed Professor of History and Political Science Daniel Levine lectured on 20th-century American liberalism as his last hurrah before his retirement.

After an introduction by Associate Professor of History Sarah McMahon, Levine began last Friday's lecture with a proud confession.

"I am an urban, eastern, intellectual liberal," he said.

Levine went on to discuss the

future of that species, saying that liberals will only get stronger if the "people in charge screw up anymore." But he conceded that not everyone can see what is happening to the country.

"People do not react to reality," he said. "They react to their perception of reality."

According to Levine, Americans hold deeply-rooted assumptions about the economy. Specifically, Americans believe that the best economic policy is self-regulated by market forces and what Levine called "the assumption of abundance."

Levine then gave a brief history of 20th-century American liberalism, from activist Jane Addams, the subject of one of his books, to the present.

He singled out President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal as a landmark in public economic policy, noting it as "the acceptance of the idea that the federal government was responsible for the economic health of the country, that is, the acceptance of the idea that the economy does not always function as a self-regulating mechanism."

Levine, while pointing out that he is not arguing in favor of socialism, did advocate a hands-on government.

"I'm arguing for a liberalism that does not challenge basic American assumptions, but still solves social problems," he said.

After the lecture was over, Levine fielded questions from the audience. When asked what he thought the future of the economy would look like, Levine cracked a joke.

"I can completely control the stock market, you know," he said. "If I buy a stock, it goes down; if I sell a stock, it goes up."

Levine said he was pleased with the lecture, saying he received much positive feedback in the days following the speech.

"I think it went well," he said. "I was just overwhelmed by the audience—I thought it was going to be a half-empty house."

The 138 seats in Sills Hall's Smith Auditorium were full. People also sat and stood in aisles and in the back.

Though Levine will officially retire at the end of the academic year, he will still be active at Bowdoin, teaching one course a year as an adjunct professor. With the extra time, Levine said he is going to continue to do research on the labor movement, but he will also find time to pursue his hobbies.

"I'm going to put more time in the cello," he said. "I'm going to spend more time on recreation—sailing, skiing, and the like."

## CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY REPORT: 4/27 TO 5/3

### Thursday, April 27

•An unregistered keg of beer was removed from a room at 30 College St.

•An abandoned bicycle found at Coles Tower was placed in storage. The bike is a red 18-speed Next Power Stroke.

•Three Moore Hall students were cited for alcohol policy violations for possessing three bottles of hard alcohol.

•A student was cited for possessing hard alcohol in the vicinity of Dudley Coe Health Center.

### Friday, April 28

•A student was cited for knocking over barricades at the Appleton Hall construction site and a report was forwarded to the Dean of Student Affairs.

•Responding to an intrusion alarm, security officers apprehended four Maine Hall students shortly after they entered Moulton Union Dining Hall via a steam tunnel. The students were found in possession of two bags of bagels, pastries, a butcher knife, and a knife sharpener.

•A Coleman Hall student reported that someone sprayed a fire extinguisher under her door at 3 a.m.

•A female student who passed out in a bathroom at Stowe Hall after consuming hard alcohol and beer was transported to Parkview Hospital for treatment and observation.

•A student who was assigned as an alcohol host at a registered event at Baxter House was cited for an alcohol policy violation for failing to monitor the event as required by the Office of Residential Life. The event was allowed to continue after several students stepped up to take responsibility for running the event

in accordance with policy.

•An underage student carrying a 30-pack of beer into Coles Tower was cited for an alcohol policy violation.

•An East Hall student was cited for an alcohol policy violation regarding his conduct and that of his guest.

•A security officer encountered three students smoking marijuana near Farley Field House.

•A Coleman Hall student was cited for an alcohol policy violation at Smith Union.

•A Maine Hall student was cited for an alcohol policy violation near Farley Field House.

•Security officers spoke with two students, male and female, who were engaged in an argument near the Bowdoin Chapel.

### Saturday, April 29

•At the request of Security, Brunswick Police Department (BPD) issued trespass warnings to three local men who were acting suspiciously in the Farley parking lot. One man was found to be in violation of bail conditions and was issued a summons. The three are prohibited from entering any Bowdoin property for one year.

•A student reported vandalism to a wall phone on the second floor of Moore Hall.

•An underage Moore Hall student was cited for possessing a 30-pack of beer and providing a false date of birth to a security officer.

•Security responded to a noise complaint on the second floor of Moore Hall and discovered that a pane of safety glass in a fire door had been smashed.

•A keg of beer was seized from an unregistered event at Harpswell Apartments.

•A student who was being interviewed by a security officer conduct-

ing an investigation was reported to the Dean of Student Affairs after he became verbally abusive and disorderly during the interview.

•Two students were stopped by BPD officers for alcohol and marijuana possession along Park Row near Hawthorne-Longfellow Library. The police turned the matter over to Bowdoin Security and a report was filed with the dean's office.

•A Moore Hall student was cited for an alcohol policy violation for hosting a party in his dorm room with underage students.

•A security officer spotted a former Bowdoin student who is prohibited from college property at the Pinestock event at Pine Street Apartments. The former student, Lucas Guarino, was escorted off campus, issued a trespass warning, and the dean's office was notified.

•BPD officers and Bowdoin Security met with two Brunswick men and a teen who entered the Pinestock event and were causing problems. The three were ordered to remain off the property and issued trespass warnings.

### Sunday, April 30

•A Coleman Hall student with a fever was transported to Parkview Hospital.

•A security officer found an unregistered keg under the porch at Helmreich House and seized it.

•A security officer found a blue and black camera case with a silver Nikon 35mm camera outside Ladd House. The item is in storage at the Security office.

•A local resident called to report that sometime in October or November 2005, a round granite ball that is part of a family headstone was stolen from St. John's Cemetery on Bath Road. The granite ball weighs about 200 pounds. The person sur-

mises that the monument may have been stolen as a Halloween prank. The owner asked that college staff and students be aware of the theft in hopes that the item might be returned to the family.

### Monday, May 1

•While doing a routine building check, a security officer found two empty unregistered kegs at Quinby House. The kegs are being stored in the property room.

•A security alarm was falsely activated in the Bliss Room at Hubbard Hall.

### Tuesday, May 2

•A variety of lost and found clothing items that had been gathering at the Smith Union information desk were logged into the Security property room.

•Students living in a first floor room at West Hall reported the theft of a silver SanDisk MP3 player, a silver Casio Exilim digital camera, a silver Apple iPod, and \$30 in cash. The items were stolen on April 30 when the room door had been left open.

•A West Hall student reported that her bicycle that had been stored in the basement was missing. The bike is blue, unknown make, with two side baskets.

•A professor reported finding two \$20 bills on the ground near the main door to Hawthorne-Longfellow Library.

•A fire alarm at 16 Cleveland St. was activated by cooking oil on a hot stove.

### Wednesday, May 3

•A student reported the theft of a blue and white 2001 21-speed Cilo racing bicycle from a storage room at 17 Cleveland St.

—Compiled by the Bowdoin Department of Safety and Security.

## Students appreciate Security's approach to this year's Ivies

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This Ivies Weekend was also notable for a lack of arrests. In previous years, Brunswick police have received complaints of noise, vandalism, and disruptive behavior, but there were hardly any complaints and no arrests this year. Nichols said that this is unprecedented for an Ivies Weekend.

"Brunswick police assisted and were excellent. When they had contact with a Bowdoin student, they contacted Security. They did not have to arrest any Bowdoin students," said Nichols.

Students also seemed to appreciate Security during Ivies weekend.

"It seemed that Randy Nichols and his crew entered the weekend with a good understanding of the bigger picture," Harry Schnur '08 said.

"Rather than concentrate on singling individuals out or punishing minor or harmless offenses, they saw their role in terms of maintaining collective safety," he said.

Carric Miller '08 agreed.

"It's actually pretty cool that Bowdoin students and Security can have such a positive and understanding relationship, especially on a weekend like Ivies. Personally, I'm impressed that Security has been able to keep Bowdoin students' respect while also fostering a positive relationship with them," she said.

"Maybe the snap bracelets did it," she added.

Anne Riley contributed to this report.

## Baldacci, Richardson address Maine issues at Bowdoin Democrats' townhall

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When interviewed by the Orient following the town meeting, Richardson expressed his views on education.

"We are looking at loan forgiveness and a number of initiatives like that here in Maine, if people stay and are employed in Maine, after they graduate," Richardson said.

"They don't come cheap, but we're looking at a way in which we can accomplish that goal without breaking the piggy bank," he said.

However, said Richardson, Maine is in a difficult situation in that it cannot deficit-spend like the federal government.

"We have to balance our budget. That limits our options. We have to pick the options that are most pressing first, which are drugs for the elderly, K-12 education, low-income health care, things like that that become very important," Richardson said.

Richardson also elaborated on his gratitude to the College Democrats.

"The Bowdoin College Democrats guaranteed my re-election," Richardson said.

"And it was because I knew they would come out in very strong numbers that I was able to get out throughout the state and help folks seek re-election or new members get elected, and that effort that I put in made the difference between having a minority or having a majority [in the Maine House of Representatives]," Richardson said.

Co-president of the Bowdoin College Democrats Frank Chi '07 said that he hoped the town meeting would encourage students to take part in the coming election season.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Governor of Maine John Baldacci called on Bowdoin to lead the state in clean energy use at Monday's town hall.

"We [Bowdoin students] are very apathetic, and it's not a presidential year. The governor coming here set a good standard, especially this early in the campaign season, and it's something that the College Democrats would love to build on in the coming month and year," Chi said.

"We're glad he came here and told us what he felt other people can do to get involved."

Zach Linhart '08 was enthusiastic.

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John Richardson

Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives

Linhart was also critical of Baldacci's energy policy. During the question and answer session, in addition to extolling wind and solar energy, Baldacci expressed concern about nuclear power.

"Solar energy and wind energy are great, but there is no way we're going to power the U.S., even Maine, on just those sources of energy," Linhart said.

"Even though there are problems with nuclear, it's still a great power source," he said.

## Students pressure administration to consider green energy options after current contract expires

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After noting that he was impressed with the group's efforts, Mills said, "I'm equally concerned about their inability to delve down beneath the veneer of the issue."

"Caring isn't enough," he added, stressing the importance of gathering more information.

Mills asked students to do more research on the energy contracts of Colby College, Bates College, and College of the Atlantic—who have already committed to purchasing 100 percent of their electricity from clean sources of energy—so that they could more fully understand the economic parameters of their proposal.

Although Mills did not commit to purchasing 100 percent clean-energy electricity, Larissa Curlik '07, a member of CEN, believes that the meeting was an important first step

in starting a dialogue between the administration and students.

"President Mills addressed an important point," she said. "Until now, the student body has not expressed its interest in such issues such as clean energy to the administration. Meeting with President Mills and presenting our petition was an important first step in filling the gap."

According to CEN member Katherine Kirklín '07, while Mills and Longley were receptive to the group's concerns, the costs of purchasing this type of electricity remain the primary obstacle. For Kirklín and fellow group member Ben Smith '06, the dangers posed by the use of fossil fuels, which emit greenhouse gases, should not be subordinated to the College's economic interests.

"We need to keep the focus on the larger issues that transcend simple

economics," Kirklín said.

Smith shares Kirklín's concern, believing that the group's commitment to purchasing 100 percent clean-energy electricity is in line with Bowdoin's commitment to the common good.

"I felt that our point that making this decision now is critical in mitigating climate change was glossed over and that other concerns—mainly economic—took precedence over the common good," he said.

According to Mills, the College had already begun to investigate the possibility of purchasing of 100 percent of its electricity from renewable sources before receiving the group's petition.

"Honestly, we were already on the issues that they raised," he said. "It is a vital issue to all of us because the issue of our environment is vitally important."

Asked about the likelihood of the College purchasing 100 percent of its electricity from renewable sources, Mills reiterated his commitment to continue discussing the College's options.

"We are 100 percent committed to considering what our options are," Mills said. "Our goal, obviously, is to be responsible from a financial and environmental point of view. I expect that those goals could be consistent."

While many other institutions have made commitments to purchase clean-energy electricity, Mills is not concerned that Bowdoin will fall behind with respect to sustainability.

"I worry about Bowdoin," Mills said. "I don't worry about other

schools. Other schools do what's right for them. We need to do what's right for Bowdoin. I really believe that we need to be educated."

Mills pointed to the recent construction of East and West halls, both LEED certified buildings, as examples of Bowdoin's commitment to environmental friendliness.

"I suspect you're not going to find a lot of colleges out there that have spent the kind of money we have in order to create buildings that are LEED certified [or] to create geothermal heating and cooling," he said.

These accomplishments, Mills argued, may actually make the College a leader in sustainability.

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President Barry Mills

"So if you look at what the College is doing in the broader arena of being environmentally sensitive, you find us, in many respects, far ahead of what other places may be doing," he said.

In a statement to the Orient, Longley said that energy conservation efforts helped the College's energy efficiency this year.

"I'm grateful to the whole campus community for helping us turn down the heat this past winter," she said. The College will raise temperature setting in air conditioned buildings from usual 72 degrees to 75 degrees this summer.

According to Longley, the College

is locked into its current energy contract until December 2006. Currently, 30 percent of its contract consists of clean energy. This value will increase to 48 percent in September.

According to Longley, the College is trying to find long-term opportunities for its electricity load in order to foster the development of renewable resources in Maine. Longley said that a long-term contract cannot be negotiated immediately because the current fiscal year does not end until June 30, and utility expenditures for the entire fiscal year will need to be calculated for negotiations.

"We will continue to explore 'green purchasing' in the context of our overall utility budget and remain vigilant in looking for opportunities," she said.

"The trick is balancing these opportunities with the realities of the budget and a very volatile energy market," Longley said. "It's a complex area and hopefully we can get it

right." As for CEN, the group is currently focused on finding the additional information requested by Mills before meeting with him again to discuss the College's options in more detail.

"As for right now, it would be great if we could meet with President Mills again this Friday," Curlik said.

"However, we want to make sure we are prepared and have our homework done before we talk with him again. So if we are not able to get the information he requested and feel inadequately prepared, we will wait to talk to him," she said.

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

### Man charged with theft of three student laptops

Brian McClendon, of Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, has been charged with three counts of burglary and three counts of theft for his alleged link to the three laptop computers that were stolen from Coles Tower on August 28, 2004.

McClendon, 24, was found through a tip from a person who visited the Maine's Most Wanted web site, where a Bowdoin security

camera clip was posted of the two suspects about two years ago.

One of the three computers was found at the Brunswick Naval Air Station (BNAS), but the other two are still missing.

Today, the Cumberland County Grand Jury will hear the charges against McClendon and the other suspect involved in the theft, a serviceman who is stationed at BNAS.

—Compiled by Mary Helen Miller.

# Darfur, energy on trustees' agenda

by Chris Marotta  
ORIENT STAFF

Six hundred people will fill Thorne Dining Hall next weekend as a part of a yearly lunch celebrating scholarship donors, kicking off a weekend-long schedule of events to welcome the Board of Trustees.

Secretary of the College Richard Mersereau has been working to organize the trustees' final meeting of the academic year, scheduled to take place from May 11 to 14.

"The schedule has a mixture of events that are designed to have them be involved in the life of the campus, outside of meetings," he said.

The board, made up of 45 members, meets three times a year to discuss the needs and direction of the College. Among the issues scheduled to be discussed during the May meeting are honorary degrees, recommendations for tenure, approval of the budget, clean energy, the capital campaign, and the College's response to the crisis in Darfur.

"The main role of the trustees is policy making, instead of actually doing things," said Mersereau.

The decisions that the trustees will make this weekend will have far-reaching effects into the future of the College.

On Friday, the trustees will meet with a number of committees, which range from a trustee-only audit committee to a special com-

mittee on multicultural affairs. During these committee meetings, the trustees will get briefed on the major news and direction of various aspects of the College.

"It's where [the Trustees] are getting their information—what is going on in admissions, what is going on with the academic programs, student affairs," said

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Richard Mersereau  
Secretary of the College

Mersereau of the committee meetings.

One of the more pressing issues scheduled to be discussed is the crisis in Darfur. The Advisory Committee on Darfur, which consists of trustees, students, faculty, and staff, plans to recommend to the board a course of action in response to the situation.

"They'll be talking about what is the right public position for Bowdoin to take," said Mersereau.

While not on the schedule, Mersereau also expects that the

trustees will also discuss clean energy issues at Bowdoin. Recently, Bowdoin students have raised concerns about the College's use of "dirty energy" and have protested by hanging signs and circulating a petition.

"There's a lot of interest, fiscally and environmentally, in determining what the right thing to do is in the short term and the long term," said Mersereau.

Also planned for the weekend is the final vote on the public notification of Bowdoin's capital fundraising campaign. The campaign is planned to go on over a five year period, from 2004-2009. Over the past year and a half, the Board has been keeping the campaign quiet, notifying only certain donors.

"We've raised somewhere in the order of \$110 million," said Mersereau. This weekend the board will hold a final vote, confirming their plans to go public in the fall. The announcement is planned to be on November 10 in Boston.

Despite all the important issues to be discussed, for some trustees, the most important part of the weekend is getting a chance to see the College.

"For a lot of trustees, an important part of the weekend is getting in touch with the campus, and really getting a feel for what's going on...I think that's important," Mersereau said.

# Class of 2010 nears target

by Emma Powers  
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With the close of the academic school year around the corner, the Office of Admissions is finalizing decisions regarding next year's first-year class.

This year, the admissions office received 5,401 applications and admitted 1,172 students, marking a 21.66 percent acceptance rate. Last year, the office received 5,026 applications and admitted 1,220 for a 24.35 percent acceptance rate.

The target number of students for the Class of 2010 is 480, and, according to Assistant Dean of Admissions Toby Brewster, as of now, "Our projected yield is ahead of last year and is approaching the target of 480."

For accepted students, the deadline for notifying Bowdoin of their college plans was May 1. However, there are some individuals who have not yet sent in their decision. These students will receive letters in the mail this week, and the admissions office will know by next week whether or not they will need to look to the waiting list to fill the Class of 2010.

Since the number of students who have chosen Bowdoin is approaching the 480 limit, it is not yet clear whether the College will offer admission to any wait-listed students, according to Brewster.

Depending on the replies of these late-responding individuals, "We may or may not use the wait list," which contains a number of "great students," Brewster said.

Brewster also noted that the three Bowdoin open houses and the Bowdoin Experience were valuable events in persuading perspectives to come to Bowdoin.

"Those events were well-attended," he said. "We tend to yield very well on students who choose to attend these events."

The open houses took place on April 17, April 21, and April 24 and were days packed with campus and athletic facilities tours, student panels, various classes, and information sessions. In addition to allowing prospective students to get a sense of the Bowdoin atmosphere and community, these events also allowed individuals to meet and get to know their potential future classmates.

The Bowdoin Experience brought 60 or 70 prospective students who had not previously seen the campus to Bowdoin and allowed them to see and experience the College for a weekend.

"This event was a separate event targeting primarily students of color, but not only students of color," said Brewster. "It was very successful."

In relation to previous years' numbers, Brewster indicated that "based on early returns, we're headed where we've been in the past."

# College plans to utilize federal funds to renovate Federal Street's Stowe House

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Longley organized the meeting and was joined by Bowdoin administrators from Facilities Management and Corporate and Foundation Relations.

Also in attendance were representatives from the Maine Historical Preservation Commission, the Pejepscot Historical Society, the Town of Brunswick, Maine Preservation, and the office of State Senator Beth Edmonds.

Longley estimated that the complete renovation cost would fall between \$3 million and \$4 million.

Since the house will not serve core academic needs, the College has decided it will not borrow funds for the restoration or use money from its general funds.

*"It isn't like this is a big pork barrel project."*

According to Longley, a proposal for funding from the Getty Foundation has been turned down, but she hopes that the College might reply.

Since the house is on the National Register of Historic Places, those at the meeting expressed hope that the project would receive funding from Save America's Treasures, a partnership between the National Park Service and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Meeting attendees concurred that at least part of the house should be restored to the condition it was in during Stowe's occupancy. Several people expressed their belief that the house should not be solely a museum because museum attendance is generally sporadic.

One idea was to use the building for a service learning program. Other ideas included using it to pay homage to the Underground Railroad or to create a "Harriet Beecher Stowe Center for the Common Good," which could take advantage of the house's location between the Bowdoin campus and the rest of the town.

# Residents protest having no say in construction decisions

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pectedly throughout the year, but the fence was the last straw," said first-year Coleman resident Michelle Argueta, who, like other Coleman residents, must now take roundabout routes to other parts of campus due to the blocked-off pathways.

Students gathered to make the shirts on Ivies Saturday, and, according to Barron, several people have requested their own to express solidarity.

Additionally, after the fence was set up around Coleman, Dan Cooperman '09 wrote a formal petition that outlined the inconveniences and dangers resulting from the construction, claiming that the fencing is a fire hazard and highly inconvenient for the residents.

The petition also called for the creation of a passageway through the construction site so as to minimize its adverse effects.

"They obviously can't begin work on the actual building until we move out—or at least that is what we are hoping—so it shouldn't be such a big deal to give us back some of our backyard," Gavens said.

In spite of the many students' frustrations regarding the inconvenience of the construction site, Director of Capital Projects Don Borkowski said that "the primary concern seems to be the lack of prior notice of the fence going up."

Barron confirmed that the resi-



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Construction surrounding Coleman has first-year residents up in arms.

dents of Coleman had hoped to have more of a voice in the process and to have received more notice and accommodation in light of current construction projects.

"They never asked students if this was an acceptable move, and to my knowledge they still haven't responded to our petition," she said.

While students have mostly understood the necessity of the construction projects, the consensus is a wish that construction on Coleman could be postponed until the end of the academic year.

"The extensive fence network gives us a feeling of being fenced in and shut off from the rest of campus," Coleman resident Vincent Karakashian '09 said.

According to Barron, "We will continue to wear the shirts in protest of both the construction and the lack of communication between the school and the residents of Coleman."

Borkowski said that in light of concerns regarding the blocked-off east-west access through campus, members of his department have recently

met with contractors and will, after acquiring the necessary materials, create an east-west passageway between Coleman and Hyde Halls so as to alleviate the inconvenience. Borkowski also said that his department will be working with the contractor to minimize noise around Coleman during reading period and finals.

To prevent similar student frustrations in the future, Borkowski met with student representatives and Residential Life to discuss the issue.

"We will make a better attempt to notify building occupants when we begin Phase III at Maine and Winthrop" so as to avoid these conflicts in the future, he said.

Though Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley conceded that there is an inconvenience resulting from the construction—both in terms of aesthetics and in terms of noise levels—he is "delighted that we are renovating the dorms."

"The quality of living space is a critical aspect of the student experience, and these newly renovated spaces and the two new dorms are, and will be, superb student living spaces," he said.

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# FEATURES

## The Year in Review: loss and perseverance

by Anne Riley  
ORIENT STAFF

*This academic year has seen members of the Bowdoin community pull together to endure a seemingly endless series of challenges, and often painful events. From the death of close friends to the loss of respected administrators to the frustrations that come with political disagreements, campus crime, and living in what some say feels like a construction zone, students and staff have shared a unique collective experience this year. Despite this reoccurring feeling of loss, this year has also witnessed its share of perseverance and celebration, attesting to the strength of the Bowdoin community during trying times. While hundreds of stories have appeared in these pages, we recognize that we have each made our own stories this year. Many of the memories that have most shaped our college careers were never featured in the Orient, but rather took place in the company of friends and mentors. Please join the Orient in remembering the most significant stories of Bowdoin's 204th academic year.*

### September

The college community found itself acting as one in an immediate campus-wide response to Hurricane Katrina, in what would be the first of many times this year that the student body united to support those affected by the tragedy. During the first week back on campus, the Community Service Resource Center teamed up with other campus groups to coordinate "12 Days of Attention: 12 Months of Impact," a compilation of fundraisers and student-led projects that raised \$5,191 for relief efforts. The College also pledged \$30,000 to three historically black colleges in the Gulf Coast region that had experienced the devastating effects of the storm, and Bowdoin created visiting professorships for faculty from those schools for the spring semester.

Students also returned to campus to find the Walker Art Building, Hyde and Appleton halls, and the former Curtis Pool Building already in mid-renovation. The College said that the comprehensive fee of \$41,600—an increase of 4.99 percent over the previous year—was not affected by the construction projects. Also on the rise in September was the cost of energy, which was expected to increase the College's \$3.7 million utility budget by over \$1 million.

The end of September brought increased controversy to campus on more than one front. The College sought to update its intellectual property policy amid an allegation that an unidentified faculty member's work had been used without that faculty member's consent in a grant application. According to President Barry Mills, the issue was resolved later that month.

Equally controversial was conservative activist Michael Heath's lecture about his drive to support Question 1, a referendum question that would have repealed a law prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity in Maine. Some 300 students attended the talk and many wore

yellow to highlight their opposition to Heath's campaign and to Question 1.

Common Hour speaker Paul Rusesabagina drew twice as many students and staff as Heath to his lecture about the truth behind the film "Hotel Rwanda." In asserting that "the most abusive words that I hear are 'never again'" the college community was reminded about today's raging genocide in Darfur.

Bowdoin Student Government's (BSG) fall elections became increasingly complicated when BSG president and Class of 2007 presidential candidate DeRay Mckesson was disqualified after Derrick Wong '07 complained about Mckesson misusing his role as BSG president by campaigning for Wong's opponent. The Orient's editorial board denounced the BSG Elections Committee's decision to disqualify Mckesson as an overly creative interpretation of the election rules. In an editorial, the board declared that "the committee members must have long arms, because this interpretation is a stretch."

### October

Students returned to campus after Fall Break to learn the devastating news that senior Katie Scott died over break in a car crash. Scott, who had been on leave from Bowdoin since September, was remembered at a campus memorial service for her "beautiful spirit."

"Katie was one of Bowdoin's best-kept secrets," Carla Cambiasso '06 told the Orient. "Katie shared experiences and insight that make me feel special for having known her."

The campus was also put on edge when a Bowdoin professor was physically hurt in a robbery near campus. Associate Professor of Physics Steven Naculich was mugged in what was apparently a random attack on Park Row, in which his wallet, watch, wedding ring, and backpack full of research were stolen.

With Darfur and the Gulf Coast still on its mind, the college community was forced to consider life outside of the bubble once again when U.S. Marine Alex Cornell du Houx '06, president of the Maine



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Hyde Hall, gutted by a construction crew, is being renovated alongside Appleton Hall this year to prepare for the Class of 2010's arrival.

College Democrats and a vocal opponent to the war, was called to serve in Iraq. Secretary of the College Republican National Committee Dan Schubert '06 questioned Cornell du Houx's motives for choosing to fight for a cause he does not support.

"Mr. Houx's [sic] rhetoric against the war on terror places him in agreement with the most radical fringes of the Democratic Party, and I am left to question his logic and motivation," Schubert wrote in a statement aired on a Bowdoin Cable Network broadcast. He later retracted the statement, but not before the story was picked up by a number of well-read blogs around the country.

### November

November saw the campus focus its energies on Question 1, and despite members of the community

falling on both sides of the issue, Mills came out in opposition to the referendum question. In a letter to the Orient, he wrote, "As a Brunswick resident and citizen of Maine, I believe current efforts to repeal these protections at the polls in November are wrong and inconsistent with the fundamental principle of equality in America." The referendum ultimately failed at the polls, to the excitement of many at Bowdoin who had worked diligently on the "Maine Won't Discriminate" campaign since the beginning of the semester.

Just as Question 1 failed to gain support at the polls, an armed robber wearing a ski mask unsuccessfully attempted to rob sophomore Josh Cippel while he was doing laundry in the School Street Apartment basement. When the robber approached Cippel from behind and demanded his money, Cippel spun around and hit the intruder over the head with a bottle of Tide laundry detergent, startling the robber and causing him to flee the premise.

While Cippel was the only student who had to fend off a knife-wielding intruder, other health and safety concerns were on the minds of many students. Responding to student demand for emergency contraception options on the weekend, along with other Saturday and Sunday health worries, Dudley Coe Health Center decided in mid-November to hold limited weekend hours for a trial period. That period, which ended at the beginning of Spring Break, was deemed successful and the hours became permanent.

November also saw the Bowdoin field hockey team finish its best season yet with a record of 18-1.

### December

Unfortunately, School Street did not become any safer for Josh

Cippel. He was accosted again at his college-leased apartment when an unidentified man on the other side of the basement door suddenly released it as Cippel tried to exit the basement, causing him to fall backwards down the stairway and raising campus concerns about the safety of college housing located in the heart of Brunswick.

### January

Over winter break, the College learned about the death of Phil Soule, a dedicated member of the coaching staff since 1967. Soule, active at Bowdoin until his passing, worked with the football, wrestling, baseball, squash, and lacrosse teams during his career, touching the lives of students for nearly four years.

Still mourning the loss of Soule, the College came to a near halt at the start of the second semester after learning that Taryn King '07 died of a sudden infection while studying abroad in a Butler University program in Ireland. Students and staff pulled together yet again, as some 300 people gathered in the Chapel for an impromptu reflection on the night they learned of her death; approximately 90 students and staff shared buses to King's funeral in Massachusetts one week later. King, the field hockey team's star player, was remembered by her friends for her humility, talent, and overwhelming friendliness.

"You see her, even from afar, and have the unexplainable urge to want to be close to her," King's close friend and teammate Burgess LePage '07 said. "She has a smile that reminds you of home, no matter where home may be."

In January, the College announced that Cristle Collins Judd from the University of Pennsylvania would replace Craig McEwen as



Courtesy of Barry Logan

Lindsay Urganhart '08 joined two other students in setting up a computer lab in a Mississippi school with unused computers from the Bowdoin IT department.

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# In face of adversity, community unites in support of one another

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dean for academic affairs on July 1. In an editorial, the Orient urged Judd to focus her immediate attention on helping students get into the courses they both need and want to take, diversifying and retaining faculty, and maintaining the rigorous quality of teaching that is so vital at a small college like Bowdoin.

## February

An Orient two-part series on the College's endowment revealed that Bowdoin's endowment growth was above par—though it found that some students and faculty members worry that the College's money may not be invested in socially responsible companies, specifically in corporations that indirectly finance the genocide in Darfur.

Only a month after announcing the College's new dean for academic affairs, Mills named William M. Shain of Vanderbilt University as Interim Dean of Admissions Dick Steele's permanent replacement. Shain will begin his position on July 1. He said he will aim to increase diversity and maintain a strong relationship with the current student body.

Also in February, BSG proposed the creation of an Academic Bias Incident Group to respond to allegations of academic bias in the classroom. Dean for Student Affairs Craig McEwen attended the following week's BSG meeting and stated that the formation of such a group "would do enormous harm to the freedom of expression in classrooms on campus" by keeping faculty under constant surveillance and limiting open debate in the classroom. The group was not created and BSG stepped back from its initial recommendation.

With the campus disputing issues of free speech within its own halls, the arrival of controversial author Salman Rushdie to deliver a Common Hour lecture about the importance of free speech seemed right on target. Rushdie, who has had a bounty on his head since 1989 after the then-leader of Iran found "The Satanic Verses" highly offensive, spoke, among other things, about the controversy surrounding his fourth novel.

"What happened to 'The Satanic Verses' was, in many ways, ludicrous," he said. "The question of would you kill people because you don't like their novel—I think that's a relatively easy question to answer—mostly, 'No.'"

## March

Campus pride abounded in March when, for the sixth consecutive year, the Bowdoin Women's Basketball Team captured the NESCAC crown. The team continued on to end its season with an impressive 27-3 record.

Others were equally pleased when the College formed an advisory committee on Darfur, joining a handful of peer institutions in considering taking a stand against investment in the Sudan.

While saddened by his departure, many members of the Bowdoin community were also proud of Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley for his decision to join the Aga Khan Development Network, an organization that dedicates its efforts to providing education on a global scale. Some recognized that this career move is a chance for Bradley to serve the common good in a bigger way.

"I think it's a wonderful use of his talents," Associate Professor of Government and Asian Studies



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Hillary Hoffman '08 takes a shot on a Williams goalie in the NESCAC championship at home. Women's field hockey won the championship and advanced to the NCAA semi-finals where they lost a 2-1 heartbreaker to Messiah College.

Henry Laurence said. "It is part of who Craig is—someone who wants to make a positive difference."

As Bradley goes abroad after this academic year, so too will some 235 rising juniors spend one or two semesters pursuing academics beyond Brunswick next year—not enough, however, to ease the housing crunch facing those hoping to live on campus. In response to the projected housing shortage, Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli decided to add additional beds to a number of rooms on campus prior to the lottery, most notoriously turning all of the quads in Stowe Hall and a number in Howard Hall into "quints."

## April

With spring's arrival and Bradley's impending departure, the College named Senior Associate Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster as Bradley's replacement. The search committee believed that Foster's appointment would maintain continuity during the transitional period for the new deans of admissions and academic affairs.

"You need continuity in this place and I think [Foster's appointment] will be helpful," said Bradley, who was not involved in selecting his replacement. "It's very important for students to have a sense of predictability and stability."

April also saw the successes of many Bowdoin athletic teams, the most unique of which being the College's team of robotic soccer-playing dogs that came out of the RoboCup tournament in Atlanta with a 2-2 record. The robots were programmed by students to orient themselves on the playing field, react to the ball and other players, and ultimately score goals by reading the pixel arrangement of the goal posts.

A number of investigative Orient stories in April carefully scrutinized some larger issues on campus formerly unexamined. One article investigated a Bowdoin student's allegations of anti-Christian discrimination in and out of the classroom and his placing of more than 1,000 religious pamphlets in targeted library books. The student, Ryan Helminiak '05, was fined and placed on social probation. Helminiak alleges that he was only

seeking to share those Christian views he holds so valuable and highlighted two past occasions in Bowdoin courses where he felt discriminated against for his strong religious views. All faculty and staff accused by Helminiak have been cleared by the College of any wrongdoing, but Helminiak's story raised questions about the role of religion on campus.

Another investigative story looked at the College's past and

future land acquisition efforts in the residential neighborhood to the immediate south of College Street. The analysis found that the College has purchased 17 local properties in the last decade, but that because of residential zoning, it cannot use the properties for anything except faculty and staff housing. Longfellow Elementary School and the Brunswick Naval Air Station are possible sites for future College use. As the surrounding neighborhood

seeks to keep Bowdoin from intruding into its turf, Bowdoin Security successfully repelled Brunswick resident Matthew Lajoie from Hawthorne-Longfellow Library, where he was suspected of stealing unattended valuables. When confronted by an undercover security officer, Lajoie fled the library and led three local police departments on a high-speed car chase. The chase ended when the subject's car flipped and burst into flames. The suspect suffered no serious injuries.

Nor did any students suffer serious injuries during the last weekend of April, historically known for its drunken debauchery. According to Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols, the event was the "most successful Ivies weekend in many years," and one in which Security focused its efforts less on the punishment of offenders and instead, on keeping students safe. This changing atmosphere in which Security emphasizes safety, not just security, is evident in Security's increased presence on campus and its distribution of neon, reflective snap-bands to the student body. Many students consider Nichols, new to the department this year, a crucial element in this change.

Security's shift this year to working with students, not against them, reiterates what students and staff are most likely to remember about the College's 204th academic year—from pooling resources to aid Katrina victims to supporting each other during times of loss to encouraging discourse and resolution in all facets of Bowdoin life, this year has been one of overwhelming unity that has shaped both our shared experiences and the future life of the College.

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# Community bonds, social capital keep us going strong

## Ask Dr. Jeff

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### Dear Students:

Much of what we do every day at the health center involves one-on-one interactions with you as individuals. We evaluate you clinically and try to inform and advise you. We approach you as young adults who are seeking your own well-being and try to help you learn how best to make the choices that will meet your own needs. We also try to reach out to you in support and encourage you to reach out to each other.

As I've written a few times before, when this kind of mutual support becomes community building, the health benefits for us all become huge.

Just this week, The Boston Globe reported on a recent study comparing the health of Americans and Britons (May 3). The bottom line: Americans are typically twice as unhealthy as their English counterparts. Twice as ill, even controlling for age, race, social class, smoking, and obesity. Twice as ill, despite spending more than twice as much per capita on health care.

"Everybody should be discussing it," says epidemiologist Michael Marmot, one of the

study's co-authors. "Why isn't the richest country in the world the healthiest country in the world?"

Marmot's own explanation is not medical. He points to increasing economic disparities and financial insecurity since the mid-1970s, among all but the top fifth of Americans.

Public health commentators like Stephen Bezruchka have argued that the degree of social hierarchy, the gap between those on top and those on the bottom, directly predicts a society's health status. They point out that hierarchy is not conducive to building relationships of mutual support, sharing, trust, caring, and community. These relationships are the building blocks of what is called social capital.

Social capital is a measure of people's participation in their community, their sense of trust, their inclination to cooperate for mutual benefit. It includes everything from a community's density of associational memberships, levels of interpersonal trust, and norms of reciprocity.

Public health researchers like Ichiro Kawachi study the relationship between social capital and individual health. Kawachi has found that variations in these indicators of social capital correlate strongly with mortality rates. In fact, a 10 percent increase in a community's sense of mutual trust is associated with a nine percent lower level of overall mortality!

Social scientists have long

known that social cohesion is a critical determinant of public health. Emile Durkheim, for instance, compared suicide statistics in European countries over time and concluded that the lowest rates of suicide consistently occurred in societies exhibiting the highest degrees of social integration.

How is social capital created on a college campus? By individuals joining together as a campus community, finding ways to reach out to each other, to try to understand and support each other, to show respect and concern for each other, and to build a sense of trust and social obligation amongst themselves.

It can be so simple. Like noticing that a friend really does need some help with his mood swings.

Or less simple. Like making sure that your friends are drinking safely at a party.

Or quite complicated. Like breaking away from a culture that idealizes distorted body images and lifestyle expectations. Like breaking open the silence of sexual assault. Like reasserting control over all that tries to depersonalize human intimacy.

These kinds of efforts can be part of building a true sense of community here at Bowdoin. Maybe they add up to some kind of obligation to each other. They certainly build up our shared stores of social capital.

That can be life-changing and might literally become life-saving.

Good luck to you all with papers and exams!

Take good care of yourselves. Have wonderful summers.

See you in the fall!

Jeff Benson, MD  
Dudley Coe Health Center

*Social capital is a measure of people's participation in their community, their sense of trust, their inclination to cooperate for mutual benefit.*



Karsten Moran for The Bowdoin Orient

Students socialize on the Quad during Ives Weekend. Dr. Jeff says that by joining together as a campus community, students can increase their social capital—and their health. Studies show that a 10 percent increase in a community's sense of mutual trust is associated with a nine percent drop in overall mortality.

## Charting Kim Pacelli's rapid rise from student to administrator

by Jackie Li  
CONTRIBUTOR

Even though Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli now sits at her desks in Moulton Union taking care of all sorts of administrative duties, just a few years ago she was finishing her last final exam and thought, "it's time to get out of Brunswick."

Pacelli is a central Connecticut native. Her father is in computer programming and her mother works in retail. Pacelli stayed in Connecticut until fifth grade when her family moved to New Hampshire where she finished elementary, middle and half of high school. After her parents divorced, Pacelli moved back to Connecticut to live with her grandparents and graduated valedictorian of Plainville High School. After she switched high schools, Pacelli got heavily involved in politics; her grandfather was a highly influential figure. It was then that she considered a possible political career and thought about going to college in Washington D.C., such as Georgetown University or American University.

During Pacelli's senior year, Kem Appell '50 came to her high school in order to encourage students to reach for more competitive and

prestigious colleges. At this point, while she was sure she wanted to attend college, Pacelli said that her college search had no real direction.

"I knew I was going to college but I was not very organized or thoughtful about how I was going about my search," she said.

Kem acquainted himself with Pacelli and her family and arranged for them to come up to Bowdoin for a visit. This visit was Pacelli's first real introduction to the "NESCAC small-college scene."

Pacelli had crossed Bowdoin off her list after she discovered that it was in Maine. However, she reconsidered after stepping foot on campus.

Pacelli explained, echoing countless other Bowdoin students, past and present, that "the place just felt right."

During her college years, Pacelli was involved in the College Republicans for some time and participated in intramural sports. She was also involved with the debate team.

"I'm one of the odd people," Pacelli said, "who has grown more moderate as I've gotten older."

Greatly influenced by her grandfather's conservative views, Pacelli's political outlook was right-of-center when she arrived at the College. After her grandfather

passed away, however, her political views became much more middle-of-the-road. During her time as a student here, the College Republicans grew more polarized and leaned towards more extreme conservatism. Pacelli lost interest in the club and decided to become an independent.

Pacelli's main extracurricular activity was not politics. She was most involved with the Office of Residential Life. Pacelli was a proctor in Moore Hall for two years and later a resident advisor in the Harpell Apartments. Kim described her time here at Bowdoin as pretty typical.

"The people...the friends that you make here, are really, you know, one of the most formative parts of the experience," she said.

As director of the Office of Residential Life, Pacelli deals with infringements on Bowdoin's alcohol policy and talking with students who have been caught in activities prohibited by College rules. When necessary, she also metes out punishments to violators.

Given her position of power with regard to alcohol policy, an obvious question is "What role did alcohol play in Pacelli's college experience?"

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# Pacelli came back to Bowdoin to direct Residential Life office after stint in D.C.

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As a student, she "checked out the party scene." It was a fun way to "meet upperclassmen along with other classmates," she said. While not a drinker before coming to Bowdoin, Pacelli did not shy away from campus-wide parties once here. She was certainly neither "a huge boozier" nor "a huge partier" but allowed herself to have fun, Pacelli said.

All in all, Pacelli was just like any other Bowdoin student, attempting to find the perfect balance between work and play.

I could not help but wonder how she went about scoring the office in which we were sitting. How did Pacelli go from a student to director of Residential Life in such a short amount of time? How did she become a prominent administrative figure at Bowdoin so quickly?

Taking advantage of an opportunity to get involved with student policy discussions during her sophomore year, Pacelli became an active member of the alcohol task force. By her junior year, Pacelli was a member of the Trustees' Commission for Residential Life that recommended the abolition of fraternities and the implementation of the College House system. As Kim worked closely with other students and administrators to address the question of "what we want this community to feel like and how will we get there?" Pacelli began to consider a career of higher education administration for the first time.

After graduating in 1998, Pacelli decided to go ahead and try politics as a possible career. For her, it was definitely time to break out of the bubble and into the real world of



Joshua Miller, The Bowdoin Orient

Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli chats with Stowe Inn residential advisor Katie Mitterling '06. As a student at Bowdoin, Pacelli was a proctor in Moore Hall and a resident advisor in Harpswell Apartments.

government affairs.

After a few years in D.C., Pacelli decided she did want to give higher education administration a shot. She packed up and moved her life north, back to Brunswick and into a room on the 16th floor of Coles Tower. Although she was only away from Bowdoin for a few short years, she experienced a kind of culture shock re-entering the college community. Pacelli was hired as an

assistant director of Residential Life and spent two years in that position. She then left to get her master's degree in education at Harvard. Afterward, she returned to Washington and got a job with the United States Department of Education.

When Bob Graves, the former director of the Residential Life Office, made a last-minute decision to go to Benedict College in the late spring of 2004, Pacelli returned to Bowdoin as the interim director. Pacelli officially became director of Residential Life in the fall of 2005.

Pacelli speaks fondly of her current job.

"When people ask me what it's like to work here, I always say it's a such a wonderful experience... and it changes the nature of the place forever for you," she said.

On the subject of alcohol and College Houses, she has very clear opinions.

"I don't think people give the college houses enough credit for the

amount of programming events they do outside of the campus-wide parties and as long as there's a certain demand for campus wide... and as long as those buildings are the obvious locations for these kinds of events to occur, that's always going to pigeon hole students who live in the college houses," she said.

Pacelli is confident that as long as Bowdoin continues having good discussions about the issue of alcohol, its students will continue to make healthy decisions.

Given that Pacelli graduated from the College in 1998, some might think that cracking down on the students here and dealing with violations against alcohol policies might be particularly difficult. Pacelli explained that while there is always an "inherent tension" and a tendency to sympathize with students and the situation they are in, she tries to focus on communicating with students in order to find out what exactly lead them to their "wrong" decision as opposed to an ineffective

slap-on-the-wrist approach.

For Pacelli, the strong connections made between students, faculty and staff is a defining characteristic of Bowdoin.

She also mentioned the committed alumni that continue contributing to the Bowdoin community as a factor that helps to preserve the College's unique character.

"I don't have any plans... to leave at this point... I really love being back at Bowdoin," she said.

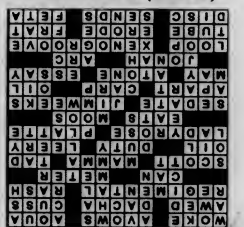
Perhaps a doctorate in sociology is somewhere down the road for Pacelli, but for the moment she is entirely committed to improving residential life at Bowdoin.

"There's a lot we've accomplished and there's a lot more that needs to be done," Pacelli said with a cheerful smile.

"I don't think we're that far off from ensuring that this place can feel like home to all Bowdoin students," she said.

After all, Pacelli added, "that's kind of what it's about at the end of the day."

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## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

## OK Go rocks Ivies crowd on Quad



Drew Fulton, the Bowdoin Orient

Chicago-based band OK Go turned the Quad into a dance floor with their show last Saturday afternoon. Student bands Lady Rose and Xeno Groove Quartet also performed.

## Flexible Music to bend ears in Gibson

by Frances Milliken  
ORIENT STAFF

The chamber music ensemble Flexible Music is manifest in its eclectic blend of musical genres. This guitar, piano, saxophone, and percussion quartet has a sound based on the conventions of classical music with the added flavor of jazz and rock sensibilities. It will display this sound tonight at 7:30 in the Tillotson Room, Gibson Hall.

Flexible Music is comprised of pianist Eric Huebner, saxophonist Timothy Ruedeman, percussionist Haruka Fujii, and guitarist Daniel Lippel, all of whom are reputable soloists.

"Flexible Music is one of the most exciting ensembles in America," said Assistant Professor of Music Vin Shende. "Each one of the musicians is a virtuoso."

The unusual combination of its respective instruments into a single ensemble grants Flexible Music the opportunity to create a unique repertoire. In fact, all the pieces it plays, with one exception, were written specifically for the group.

The quartet came together through its performance of the piece "Hout" by Louis Andriessen. The piece was the only one that encompassed the particular scope of its instrumental capacities at the time. The four so enjoyed playing with one another that they estab-

lished themselves as an ensemble and commissioned composers to write pieces for them.

Recently, the group has called upon the talents of one of Bowdoin's own—Vineet Shende. In 2003, Lippel premiered an earlier piece of Shende's. This initial introduction led to further collaboration.

"Lippel is, bar none, the best guitarist I have ever worked with," said Shende.

When Lippel requested that Shende compose for Flexible Music, he was happy to comply. The result is the lighthearted homage to James Brown, "Throw Down or Shut Up."

The group has performed at other institutes of education including New York University, Cleveland Institute of Music and The Juilliard School. In addition to funding for a portion of a recording of premieres through the Mikhashoff Trust for New Music, Meet the Composer Foundation awarded Flexible Music a grant for their work with composer Adam Silverman.

"They stretch the boundaries between different genres," said Shende. "Every one of them is well versed in world music, jazz, rock and Bach."

Tickets for the concert are free and available at the Smith Union information desk.

## 'Cars' leads summer caravan

by Mike  
Nugent  
COLUMNIST

It should come as little surprise that I am not a fan of blockbusters. Sure, sometimes I'm in the mood for the sheer escapist spectacle that only Hollywood can provide. Most of the time, however, the contrived plots, hackneyed performances, and general lack of artistic vision are as enticing as a bucket of yuck, and I keep as far away as possible.

But entertainment has its place, and these are the titles most likely to provide it. Some will be blockbusters, some will flop, but when you're venturing to the multiplex this summer, take these movies with a grain of salt. True cinematic worth has little to do with the studios' advertising budgets—just ask "A History of Violence" or "Match Point" about that. So remember to seek out quality films, whether independent or mainstream. Oh, and go see Meryl in "Prairie Home Companion," too.

M:13 (May 5)

Tom Cruise is back for a third action-packed installment, this time with recent Oscar winner Philip Seymour Hoffman playing the villain, in what could be his potential commercial breakout. Cruise had retired from active duty, but returned to confront Hoffman and rescue Cruise's love interest.

POSEIDON (May 12)

This remake of a 1970s disaster film tells the story of a luxury ocean liner struck by a tsunami, which flips the massive ship over and leaves the movie stars inside, including Kurt Russell and Richard Dreyfuss—scrambling to find a way out.

THE DA VINCI CODE (May 19)

Sure to be a monumental blockbuster, this film stars America's favorite everyman Tom Hanks and "Amelie" star Audrey Tautou. They search to unlock the mysteries surrounding a murder in the Louvre and clues in Leonardo Da Vinci's paint-

ings surrounding a Christian secret society.

X-MEN: THE LAST STAND (May 26)  
This franchise's third installment will have to do without the successful direction of Bryan Singer. When a mutations cure is found, battle lines are drawn as the X-Men decide whether to remain as they are, or give up their powers and become human.

THE BREAK-UP (June 2)

One of a number of romantic comedies hitting theaters this summer, "The Break-Up" stars Jennifer Aniston and Vince Vaughn as a couple who, shockingly, break up; unfortunately, neither one is willing to move out of their apartment. Much chaos ensues, until they start to wonder if they do actually want to be together.

CARS (June 9)

Potentially the brightest spot in mainstream theaters this summer, and that's because its Pixar's latest animated picture. On his way to a big race, Lightning McQueen (Owen Wilson) gets in trouble in Radiator Springs, and has to stay there to repay the damages he caused, learning much about what's really important along the way.

SUPERMAN RETURNS (June 30)

This is why Bryan Singer left X-Men, and expectations are high for Brandon Routh's big screen debut. After a long visit to Krypton, Superman returns to do what he does best: save people from harm and reclaim Lois Lane's love. Kevin Spacey and Kate Bosworth also star.

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (July 7)

Will the second installment of Johnny Depp's Mick Jagger-inspired Jack Sparrow live up to the first? This time around, Depp finds himself on a blood debt to the legendary Davey Jones, ruler of the ocean depths. Determined to avoid eternal damnation, the wedding of Keira Knightly and Orlando Bloom quickly becomes entangled in the mess.

LADY IN THE WATER (July 21)

M. Night Shyamalan doesn't seem to be able to regain the excellence he displayed in "The Sixth Sense," but he sure does keep trying. This go-

around has potential for success as Paul Giamatti plays an apartment superintendent who rescues Bryce Dallas Howard from a pool. But he

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## Student project holds water

by Kelsey Abbruzzese  
ORIENT STAFF

Imagine the film "Crash" set at Bowdoin, and you have something that might resemble "The Water Project." As their final project, the students of Theater 322 wrote, produced, and will perform the play this weekend.

The students have spent the semester working with Saratoga International Theatre Institute member J. Ed Araiza, the Coastal Studies Center's artist-in-residence. "The Water Project" plays into coastal themes as a collaborative performance piece. Because it is a collaborative piece, the students in the class participated at various levels, from performing to costume design to sound.

"It's the most intense theater experience I've had," said Anthony DiNicola '07, one of the performers. "We have rehearsal six days a week, and no one is more committed than another because it's collaborative."

Theo Salter '07, another student in the play, agreed with DiNicola's assessment of the work everyone put into the piece, but also said, "I enjoy trying to put this much energy into one project."

As for the play itself, performer Anton Handel '07 described it as "people on their own little paths. It's 'Crash' meets MTV."

It was DiNicola who proposed the "Crash" analogy: "It's a 'Crash' look at college, with love stories and hate stories, people meeting and not meeting."

Salter expanded on Handel's description of the play and commented on the parody aspect.



Mike Ardolino, the Bowdoin Orient

"The Water Project," a play written and performed by members of Theater 322, premiered last night and plays through this weekend.

"Our generation is closed off by technology, and you're stuck in the little world inside your head," he said. "There are comedic aspects from college, but it's also serious."

Since "The Water Project" is a student effort, the play is the culmination of the class experiences. Class members wrote scenes every day, went through timed writing exercises, and revised those scenes numer-

ous times.

"All the choices are specific," Handel said.

"And, all the choices are made by us," DiNicola added.

Because of the project's nature, the students will keep making changes right up to the night of the performance.

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## WBOR 91.1 FM DJs OF THE WEEK



Randy Nichols and Mike Brown

*What is the best album ever created?*

RN: I've always preferred the rawness and spontaneity of live albums. For rock 'n' roll it has to be the classic "Made in Japan" by Deep Purple. One of my favorite jazz albums is Coltrane's "Live at Birdland." My live country pick is the gritty and dangerous "Johnny Cash at Folsom Prison." I hear the train a comin'...

MB: Although there are a number of great albums in history, Nirvana's "Nevermind" stands out as one of the few in my lifetime that were strong from start to finish. Typically, when a band cuts an album, even their friends and family lie about liking cuts 15 and 16.

*What is the best band to see live?*

RN: I've seen Deep Purple live eight times and was once invited backstage for an after-show party. It was rock 'n' roll heaven. I was tempted to ask the band if I could be their director of security and embark on a world tour.

MB: Easily KISS. Their live show is an absolutely unforgettable experience that will likely put me into hearing aids a few years ahead of schedule.

*What song pumps you up?*

RN: Three come immediately to mind: "Won't Get Fooled Again" by The Who, "Long John Baldry" by Don't Try to Lay No Boogie Woogie on the King—of Rock and Roll, "Splodgenessbounds" version of "Two Pints of Lager and a Packet of Crisps" and, oh, anything by The Day Jobs, of course.

MB: "Living on the Edge" by Aerosmith has a great hook, but "Back in Black" by AC/DC is guaranteed to keep me awake on the long ride home.

*What song brings you down?*

RN: The hauntingly beautiful yet melancholy "Adagio for Strings" by Samuel Barber affects me deeply whenever I hear it. I relate "Angie" by the Rolling Stones to the first time I got my heart broken—ouch! And the last song I remember listening to with my dad before he died was "Cavatina" by classical guitarist John Williams.

MB: "Sweet Baby James" by James Taylor has an almost hypnotic impact on me. When I drive I am a chronic channel-scanner. For some reason at 3 a.m. this song is always on some station somewhere and I always stop and listen. However, if I don't hit the scan button again within 30 seconds I'm in the ditch.

*If you were the dictator of a small country, what would be its national anthem?*

RN: "You can't always get what you want, and if you try sometime you find you get what you need..."

MB: "I Wanna Be Like You" by Big Bad Voodoo Daddy.

*If you were on stage with a mic in front of thousands of screaming people, what would you say?*

RN: You mean like at Pinestock? I'd probably say something like, "Oh alright, one more song!"

MB: "Randy has left the building." *Randy and Mike's show "Listen! - The Safety and Security Show" can be heard Thursdays from 3 to 5 p.m. on WBOR 91.1 FM.*

# Seniors present final shows

## Senior Portraits

Sixth in a series

This semester, 16 seniors presented art exhibitions signifying the culmination of their artistic careers at Bowdoin. This week, the Orient interviewed seniors Rachel Grobstein, Missy Corey, and Sophie Wiss, whose honors exhibitions are currently on view in the Visual Arts Center (VAC) along with the exhibitions of fellow seniors Moira Geenspun and Tam Do.

**Bowdoin Orient:** Describe your senior art project. What inspired it, and how did you execute it?

**Rachel Grobstein:** This semester I've been working on a number of paintings that deal with vertigo and uncertainty in one way or another. I've been drawn to subjects that are at the mercy of powers other than their own agency, who feel the ground is slipping out from under their feet. My paintings are elaborations on that classic cartoon image of a coyote running off the cliff, who hangs there for a second before he realizes there's nothing for him to stand on. I'm willing to admit that perhaps the fact that I am a senior may have something to do with my subject choice here. But not everything.

**Missy Corey:** My senior project was a series of nine wooden panels featuring the distorted faces of friends of mine from Bowdoin. The project was inspired by a single panel, the first one which I completed for a class and which was a self portrait in which I was thinking of the old wives' tale, "If you make a face it will get stuck that way," so I took a picture of myself making a face using my hands to manipulate my mouth and then proceeded to paint the image without the hands in the painting.

**Sophie Wiss:** My project was sort of a jumble of different things that I've been trying out over the past four years. I guess the inspiration was movement and how certain lines and shapes can make a still object look alive.

**BO:** What were your goals for your project? Did you meet those goals? Did they change during the process?

**RG:** Sure, my project changed from the beginning. It's fair enough to have a sense of what one is interested in when one begins a painting, but the evolution of one's expectations is really the satisfying part. Figuring out what you mean to say is the fun of it.

**MC:** My goals for the project were to be able to create nine panels, which I did complete, and to hope that the people featured in them found the likenesses to be somewhat recognizable and for the images to maintain a playfulness



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Missy Corey's paintings will be on view in the VAC until May 12.

not usually found in portraiture.

**SW:** My goals...hmm. I wanted to expand upon some of the work I'd already done and just see where it would take me. The goals for individual paintings were continually changing throughout the process, but that's what I like about painting. I didn't have a clear idea of what any of the pieces would look like in the end, so that gave me a lot of freedom to explore.

**BO:** Why did you choose the medium you did? What aspects of your artistic medium do you enjoy that aren't achievable through other media?

**RG:** I use oil paint and charcoal (not together though). Both are very satisfying to get your hands dirty in. It feels more like you're moving space around on a page than making wimpy representations of things.

**MC:** I always choose to paint in oils because I find that the fluid quality of the paint is the most conducive to a looser style of painting. The prints in the backgrounds were a new thing for me and I really enjoyed using them. I am always attracted to patterns and fabrics and I really tried to match the patterns to the feeling of the sitter.

**SW:** I chose to paint these pieces because I love the wide range of textures and colors and edges you can get with oils.

**BO:** What do you want people to take away from viewing your project?

**RG:** It would be nice to make people grin, but in a kind of thoughtful-and-

puzzled-but-happy-that-they're-puzzled sort of way.

**MC:** I hope that people smile when looking at the images and that they perhaps attempt to make the grotesque faces that the sitters are making in their images.

**SW:** Whatever they want. I'm just happy to have the chance to put it out there for people to see.

*Grobstein, Corey, and Wiss's exhibitions will be on view in the VAC until May 12.*

## Theater students present fluid show

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"We'll be working on it and tweaking it until Saturday," DiNicola said.

Handel's observation about making specific choices ties into two methods that Araiza introduced for actor training, the Suzuki Method and the Viewpoints. The Suzuki Method teaches the performers to relax and concentrate on breathing and speaking onstage.

"It's a training that emphasizes stillness, and that you control choice," Handel said. "[In practice] you move to stillness as fast as possible."

"You put your body into crazy, nontraditional positions," DiNicola said.

Handel proceeded to demonstrate such positions in the middle of Smith Union by lifting his knee to various heights and holding the one-legged pose.

Salter explained the practical reasons for Handel's bizarre-seeming poses.

"People get conformed by life and lose touch with the body, with that they refer to as 'animal energy,'" he said.

With Suzuki and Viewpoints, he said, "You try to relax, be aware of what's happening around you and react naturally to it."

Thanks to the student involvement, the talents of Araiza, professional lighting from Brian Scott, and songs developed by Christian Frederickson from the indie rock group Rachel's, "The Water Project" promises to be an experience. Tickets are free and available at the Smith Union Info Desk for performances Friday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 7 p.m.

"It'll push buttons, make you laugh, make you uncomfortable and think," DiNicola said. "You may want to see it twice, I'm not kidding."

# International beer fare

by Carter  
Thomas  
LOUCAST

PALMA LOUCA—(\$8.29 at Uncle Tom's)

I crossed borders for this week's beer review, stopping first in the wonderful country of Brazil. Brewed by Cervejaria Kaiser, this pilsner definitely did not follow the same full-bodied mold of American beers. In fact, this beverage had a fairly thin taste with almost no aftertaste, much like a Corona with more malt, or a Pacifico with no finish. It pours a bright yellow with a small head, bubbling at a moderate rate as most other pilsners would, however, the aroma is much sweeter than other beers I have encountered. The best way to describe the taste is that it tastes as though it has been shipped thousands of miles and left on a shelf for weeks, before finally uncapping. I am sure that if I were to try this beer on my next visit to Brazil it would be an entirely different experience. The bottle is rather interesting as it incorporates very Amazonian colors (green, yellow, light blue) and

leaves that reflect the rainforest of the area. Needless to say, if this is what Brazil exports as its premier brew, I wonder what would happen when they tried some Gritty's.

Palma Louca: ★★

LA FIN DU MONDE—(\$10.75 at Uncle Tom's)

If you want a beer with some power, this is it. Dropping the hammer at nine percent alcohol by volume, this Quebecois beer has no qualms in making you aware that it came to play. The first characteristic of this brew that distinguishes it from other lesser beers is the thick, foggy, creaminess that the golden hue permeates through. Much like

other beers bottled with yeast, there is a strong champagne-like bubbling effect coming from the bottom of the glass that lasts for minutes after the pour. The smell is unlike any I have experienced, emanating a fruity yet citrus free aroma. It reminds me of bananas

more than the hops that most Belgian style beers have. My first gulp almost made me sit down—this beer packs more taste into one sip than most do in half a beer, all the while masking the

Please see BEER, page 12

Tam Do's exhibition is also on view in the VAC.



Summer brings hot movie climate

SUMMER, from page 10

discovers she is a bedtime story character determined to make the journey back to her world, as forces try to keep her in ours.

**WORLD TRADE CENTER (August 9)**  
Oliver Stone becomes the second but by no means the last Hollywood director to take on the events of 9/11. Here, Nicolas Cage and Michael Pena are two police officers trapped under rubble, as rescuers refuse to stop searching for them.

**SNAKES ON A PLANE (August 18)**  
Already becoming something of a cult classic, Samuel L. Jackson stars as an FBI agent on a plane when an assassin releases hundreds of deadly snakes, forcing the crew and passengers to band together to survive.

Carter tests the international waters

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massive alcohol content the Canadians managed to pack in. There are hints of sweetness and bits of hops that complement themselves perfectly, a true tribute to what beer should taste like.

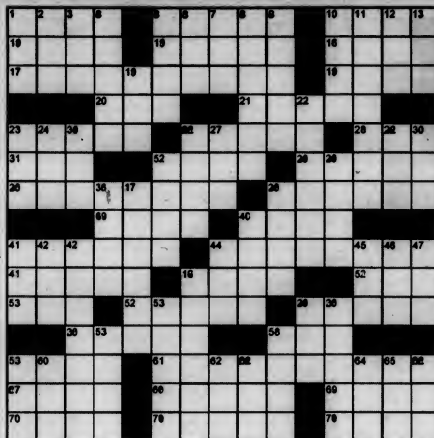
The label indicates a triple fermentation process that comes through in the smoothness of the finish, as well as in the terrifically well-rounded body that this beer has. Beside the fact that this beer is very expensive, it is an incredible beer. I noticed that this brewing company has two other types that will be next on my list to check out.

La Fin Du Monde: ★★★★★

ACROSS

- 1 Came out of sleep
- 5 Declares
- 10 Greenish blue
- 14 Reverent
- 15 Russian country house
- 16 Swear
- 17 Military uniform
- 19 Daring
- 20 Soda container
- 21 Unit of measure
- 23 Francis \_\_ Key
- 26 Baby's first word
- 28 Little bit
- 31 See 57-down
- 32 Tax
- 33 Wary
- 35 One of two Bowdoin bands to open for OK Go at Ivies
- 38 American river
- 39 Chow
- 40 Cow noises
- 41 Tranquillize
- 44 \_\_ Philharmonic, played at Pinestock
- 48 Separate
- 49 Complain
- 50 See 57-down
- 51 Four months after 44-down
- 52 Repent
- 54 School assignment
- 56 Bowdoin band Munny and \_\_
- 58 \_\_ de Triomphe
- 59 Coil
- 61 Bowdoin band: \_\_ 7-down
- 67 London subway
- 68 Wear away

WEEKLY CROSSWORD: BOWDOIN BANDS



Puzzle by Adam Kommel

- 69 Social house
- 70 Saucer
- 71 Dispatches
- 72 Soft white cheese

DOWN

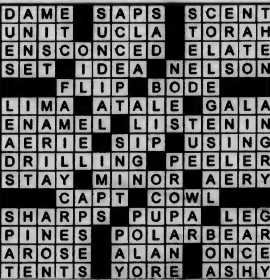
- 1 \_\_ of the Worlds
- 2 Be in debt
- 3 Beer container
- 4 Decree
- 5 Bear's shelter (with a)
- 6 Vehicle
- 7 Five mos. after 51-across
- 8 Champ Kind catchphrase
- 9 Witch hunting city
- 10 Land unit
- 11 Bowdoin band: 61-across
- 12 Ship initials
- 13 Fire remains
- 18 Entrance rug
- 22 Animal fat
- 23 Do, re, mi, fa, \_\_
- 24 U.S. spy org.
- 25 Aged
- 26 Disarrange
- 27 Dined
- 29 Creative work
- 30 Color
- 32 Fawn over
- 34 Soothe
- 36 Leap \_\_
- 37 Wickerwork stuff

- 38 \_\_ and Circumstance"
- 40 Heavy mud
- 41 Common male first name
- 42 Government environmental org.
- 43 Members of this Bowdoin band ought not quit
- 44 Three mos. after 7-down
- 45 The goddess of the dawn
- 46 Military abbr. or car brand
- 47 Slick
- 49 Stick
- 53 Duties
- 54 Be incorrect
- 55 Jeer
- 57 31-across and 50-across group
- 58 Gets older
- 59 British co.
- 60 French "yes"
- 62 French "no"
- 63 Not even

- 64 Miner's goal
- 65 Tub
- 66 Airport abbr.

The answers to this week's crossword puzzle can be found on page 9. If you cheat, you are only cheating yourself.

SOLUTION TO LAST ISSUE'S PUZZLE





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# SPORTS

## Women's lax heads to semifinals



Jenja Davis '06 sprints past Tufts defenders in last Sunday's NESCAC quarterfinal. The Bears face Amherst on Saturday.

Courtesy of Brian Beard

## Men's lacrosse takes first round

by Vanessa Kitchen  
STAFF WRITER

With a win over Amherst, the men's lacrosse team will try to continue its season of success as it advances to the NESCAC semifinals.

The Bears overcame Amherst College for the second time this season with a 12-8 victory this past Saturday.

Matt Chadwick '07, Thomas McKinley '06, Andy Nelson '06, and Ford Barker '06 all netted a goal apiece in the first quarter, assisted three times by co-captain Connor Fitzgerald '06. The Polar Bears continued their streak with three more goals by Alex Weaver '07, Fitzgerald, and Kevin Mullins '07.

As the time dwindled, Amherst got a second wind and began to fight back. With 10 minutes left in the first half, the Jeffs rallied, coming back from a 7-0 deficit to swiftly put away three goals. Amherst returned to field in the second half with even more momentum. Amherst's Joaquin Walker added another goal to the Jeffs' tally within the first two minutes of the half, bringing the score to 7-4.

Nelson responded to the Jeffs' goal with a shot to the back of the net, but Amherst followed with a three-goal streak, bring the Cardinals within one point of the Bears. Feeling the heat, McKinley put one in for Bowdoin,

but Amherst did not let the Bears rest. The Jeffs retaliated, bringing the ball down the field for another goal. With the game at 9-8, the Bears began to worry, especially when Fitzgerald was forced to leave the field in the fourth quarter because of an injury.

The Bears did not give up. Under the strong leadership of co-captain McKinley and the other senior players, the men's lacrosse team rallied and took back possession of the ball. In an effort to secure the win, seniors McKinley, Barker, and Matt Neidlinger put in a goal apiece. Bowdoin ended the challenging match with a 12-8 victory over Amherst. Currently ranked third in the NESCAC, the Bears will travel to Middlebury this weekend for the NESCAC semifinals against second-seeded Wesleyan College. The Bears will look to avenge a prior 6-3 loss to the Cardinals.

Senior Wilson Patton believes that the team is ready for the challenge.

"We are really excited about this weekend, this is a special group of guys who have been through a lot together, and we do not want it to end," he said. "It is going to be a madhouse up at Midd and we want to spoil the party."

If the Polar Bears beat Wesleyan, they will most likely face first-seed-

Please see LACROSSE, page 15

## Women's track runs sixth in NESCAC

by Laura Onderko  
STAFF WRITER

Playing host to the NESCAC Track and Field Championship gave the Bowdoin women a chance to enjoy the sunny spring weather and face some of the best athletes from the NESCAC league. Bowdoin finished sixth overall, ahead of rival Colby by only half a point.

Track powerhouse Williams won the meet, while Tufts and Middlebury took second and third, respectively. With tough competition, scoring in just one event was a challenge, but Kelsey Borner '09, Emily Hackert '06, and Louise Duffus '07 made it look easy. The women managed to post points in three events.

Once again, Duffus led the women in scoring with second, third, and fifth place in the hammer, discus, and shot put, respectively.

"Louise has been our high scorer for all six of her seasons on the team. She's a fantastic athlete and team leader," coach Peter Slovenski said.

Following Duffus' example, Borner snatched fifth, sixth, and eighth in her events, the discus, shot put, and javelin. Fellow first year Chelsea Jackson tallied additional points for the Bears with a third place in the javelin, while teammate Shemeica Binns '09 competed in the shot put and discus, grabbing 13th and 17th, respectively.

"Chelsea Jackson and Kelsey

Borner both threw personal bests in the javelin. They really came through in the clutch on Saturday," Slovenski said.

On the track, Hackert joined Alyssa Chen '08, Ruth Jacobson '06, and Erin York '09 in the 4x100-meter relay, sprinting to fifth place. Hackert also anchored the 4x400-meter relay team of Gina Campelia '07, Alison Pilon '09, and Jacobson, which finished sixth. In between her relay events, Hackert improved on her 400-meter hurdle time to take fourth.

Junior Erin Prifogle contributed to the final point tally, placing in two individual events, including a sixth-place finish in the high jump. Teammates Jessie DePalo '08 and Pilon took eighth and 11th, respectively. Sophomore Amy Ahearn placed seventh in the 800 meters, followed by Lindsey Schickner '09, who took 13th in the event. In the pole vault, Chen snatched another seventh, just ahead of teammate Becca Perry '07 in 10th. In her second try of the season at the three-kilometer steeplechase, Katie Mevorach '09 shaved 30 seconds off her time.

First-year Molly Seaward represented Bowdoin in the jumps, contributing a 12th-place finish to the Bears' tally in the triple jump for a season best. On the track, juniors Jamie Knight and Kristen Brownell

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## Mules stop baseball

by Tom Lakin  
STAFF WRITER

The Mules kicked Bowdoin's 16-game winning streak to the curb yesterday, squeaking out a 3-2 win in Waterville.

Although the defeat was disappointing, the Bears racked up three decisive victories against Bates over the weekend. The three victories added to Bowdoin's ever-growing list of strong performances this season.

Going into the weekend's matchups, Bowdoin only needed two

wins to clinch the home-field advantage for the NESCAC tournament. The Bears went one step further, sweeping the series in convincing fashion, winning 15-2 at home on Friday, and 3-2 and 12-2 on Saturday in Lewiston.

Friday was a record day for the Bears. Senior Trevor Powers was brilliant on the mound, tossing a complete two-run gem. The win tied him with Scott Jamieson '02 for the all-time Bowdoin career-win record at 19.

At the dish, Jared Lemieux '06 contributed his own record-breaking heroics. He came into the contest with 173

hits, tied with Kevin Bougie '03 for the career hits record. When he stepped to the plate in the seventh with bases loaded, "173" had to be ringing in his head, not to mention in the stands. He dug in, stared out at Bobcats pitcher Ralph Vitti, and immediately silenced the whispers by ripping a grand slam to right for number 174.

Later, Lemieux and Chris McCann '07 would steal their 21st and 22nd bases, respectively, to tie and break

Please see BASEBALL, page 14



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior Chris McCann slides into third base in the first game of a three-game series against Bates last weekend.

# Dan Chaput '06 shines on and off the field

by Aisha Woodward  
CONTRIBUTOR

Senior Dan Chaput, a defenseman on the nationally ranked men's lacrosse team, possesses the physical prowess and mental toughness to guard some of the most talented attackers in the NESCAC.

"Dan's great position play and mind for the game has made Bowdoin's defense one of the best in the league," teammate Brian Duggan '06 said. "As a fellow defenseman, I feel much better about our team's chances every time Dan is on the field with me."

Chaput, a Wayland, Massachusetts, native, picked up his first lacrosse stick in sixth grade. At the St. Mark's School, Chaput established himself as an elite player, and received the honor of being named an All-League pick his senior year.

Chaput has continued his dominance on the lacrosse turf at Bowdoin as a starting defenseman for the past two seasons. At 6' tall and a sturdy 190 lbs., Chaput relies on his exceptional speed and extensive knowledge of the game.

According to head lacrosse coach Tom McCabe, Chaput has made tremendous contributions to the team.

"Dan has been a joy to coach over four years," McCabe said. "He is an incredibly positive member of our team and a true leader in every way. He's an ideal team player and a great role model for younger players."

For Chaput, lacrosse has been an important part of his Bowdoin experience.

"Playing lacrosse has created a good balance for me between my academic work and extracurricular activities," he said. "But most important to me have been the friends I've made. I



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

As a positive role model on and off the lacrosse field, senior Dan Chaput has been a dedicated mentor for Big Brothers/Big Sisters in Topsham.

even still stay in touch with recent lacrosse graduates."

But while many athletes enjoy success on the field, Chaput has also been involved with a myriad of activities off the field. Majoring in government and legal studies, Chaput was NESCAC All-Academic in 2004 and 2005 and has been a dedicated mentor for Big Brothers/Big Sisters, where he works with a student in Topsham. Chaput is also engaged in student government as a Class of 2006 repre-

sentative and member of the BSG Administrative Committee. Chaput also spent two semesters DJing a radio show on WBOR with teammate Matt Neidlinger '06. They hope to bring the show back for Senior Week.

Looking ahead, Chaput will have an excellent opportunity to combine his diverse interests when he departs for China in August. A recipient of the Princeton in Asia fellowship, Chaput will be teaching English to students at the Dalian University of Technology.

"It should be a great opportunity," he said. "I never had the chance to go abroad at Bowdoin, and so I knew that once I graduated I would have to go somewhere different."

In the long term, Chaput sees lacrosse continuing to play a role in his life.

"I'll probably coach at some point," he said. "During the winter months some of my teammates and I coached an indoor league for high schoolers. It was a lot of fun, and it's

something I'd like to do again in the future."

With Commencement approaching in a few short weeks, it is evident that Chaput's presence both on and off the field will be sorely missed in the Bowdoin community.

Chaput will miss Bowdoin as well. "I'm really going to miss the guys on the team, our spring trip to Florida, and our memorable games," he said. "But I'm looking forward to what is next."

## Polar Bears sweep Bobcats in three-game series over weekend



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Colby broke Bowdoin's 16-game winning streak in Waterville yesterday, squeaking out a 3-2 victory. Bowdoin will face Middlebury in a doubleheader on Saturday.

BASEBALL, from page 13

Bowdoin's single-season steals total. McCann would go on to tack on two more hits for 54 on the year—just three shy of the season record.

Although Saturday's first game was a nail biter, the Bears prevailed in the end to clinch the top seed in the NESCAC's East Division.

Bobcats starter Griffin Finan had a good outing, but he just could not hang on for the win as McCann came through in the seventh with a two-out RBI single for the win.

Game three was icing on the cake. In case anyone thought the Bears were going to take the rest of the day off after clinching home field advantage, they thrashed Bates 12-2, grabbing an impressive 16 hits. McCann picked up another hit, tying DeCew's all-time record, while Ricky Leclerc '06 led the Bears at the plate with a monster grand slam in what amounted to a six-run fourth inning.

The victory was Bowdoin's 25th of the season, setting yet another school record.

Yesterday's loss to Colby drops Bowdoin to 25-6 on the season.

The Bears got a single run in the first inning from McCann, who made it to home off an RBI single from Lawrie. Bowdoin increased its lead in the fourth inning with a run from Bucci, who was hit home by Lawrie.

The Mules came back with a vengeance in the fifth inning to score three runs for the victory.

Bowdoin will play host to the NESCAC championship tournament starting on May 12.



# SPORTS SHORTS

## Women's Tennis

After posting a solid 8-6 record against Division III opponents this season, including a strong performance at the NESCAC championships, the women's tennis team qualified for the NCAA Division III Women's Tennis Championships Monday. Bowdoin is one of only 26 teams to compete in the national tournament.

The Polar Bears faced Amherst last weekend, dropping a tough 8-1 decision. Bowdoin was swept in doubles, despite close matches at second and third doubles. In the singles, junior Christine D'Elia earned the Bears' lone point, but two matches that went to third sets ultimately tipped in Amherst's favor.

"It'd be nice to get another shot [at Amherst]," Sarah D'Elia '09 said. "Plus, it'd be great to miss exams and fly to Santa Cruz to compete for a national championship."

Amherst, seeded first, in the Northeast region, will play host to a first-round matchup between Bowdoin and Tufts.

Bowdoin is slated to compete against the Jumbos tomorrow at 11 a.m. The Bears have soundly defeated Tufts in two previous meetings this season.

The two teams squared off most recently at the NESCAC championships last weekend. The Bowdoin women won two doubles matches, 8-4, and took four of the singles points (two in three sets) for a 6-3 victory.

"Tufts is a good matchup for us," junior Kelsey Hughes said. "Obvi-

ously they're a good team, but everyone on our team steps it up when we play them."

The victor of the Tufts-Bowdoin match will face Amherst on the Lord Jeffs' home courts for a chance to compete in the quarterfinals at the University of California at Santa Cruz. UCSC plays host to the quarterfinal, semifinal, and final rounds of the national tournament, held May 17-19.

## Men's Tennis

The Bears hit the courts in the first round of the NESCAC playoffs, facing Amherst at Williams College. Although the Bears had narrowly defeated Amherst earlier in the season, the Jeffs turned the tables, trouncing Bowdoin tennis 6-1 in last Friday's match.

The singles matchups did not go well for Bowdoin. The Bears lost five of their six positions in straight sets. Sophomore Garrett Gates was the lone bright spot for the Bears, defeating his Amherst opponent Dan Babkes 6-3, 6-4 at second singles.

In the doubles, Gates teamed up with Sam Bitetti '07 at No. 1 doubles to handily beat their Amherst opponents Babkes and Josh Rilla, 8-2. The other two doubles positions lost a couple of close matches, giving the Jeffs the doubles point and the match, 6-1. While the Bears are out of the running for a NESCAC crown, they begin play today for Nationals against Trinity at Williams.

-by Nick Day and Ethan Oberwager.

## BASEBALL

School	NESCAC EAST		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
BOWDOIN	10	2	25	8
Tufts	9	3	19	12
Trinity	8	6	17	18
Bates	3	9	10	17
Colby	2	10	9	20

## SCOREBOARD

F 4/28	v. Bates	W	15-2
Sa 4/29	at Bates	W	3-2
Sa 4/29	at Bates	W	13-2
Th 5/4	at Colby	L	3-2

## SCHEDULE

Sa 5/6	v. Middlebury	12:00 P.M.
Sa 5/6	v. Middlebury	3:00 P.M.

## MEN'S TENNIS

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	9	0	19	2
Williams	5	2	12	3
Trinity	6	3	13	3
Amherst	5	5	13	7
Colby	3	3	9	6
BOWDOIN	4	4	7	10
Bates	3	5	9	9
Wesleyan	2	4	10	5
Hamilton	1	3	7	8
Tufts	1	8	6	9
Conn. College	0	4	2	9

## SCOREBOARD

F 4/28	v. Amherst (at Williams)	L	6-1
	(NESCAC first round)		

## SCHEDULE

Sa 5/6	v. Trinity (at Williams)	3:00 P.M.
	(NCAA first round)	

## WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

Sa 4/29	NESCAC Championship	6th of 11
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## SCHEDULE

Sa 5/6	N.E. Dills (at Springfield)	10:00 A.M.
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## SOFTBALL

School	FINAL NESCAC EAST		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Tufts	7	1	24	12
Trinity	4	4	22	8
Bates	4	4	18	18
BOWDOIN	3	5	18	22
Colby	2	6	11	20

## SCOREBOARD

F 4/28	at M-Farmington	L	11-9
F 4/28	at M-Farmington	W	9-3
M 5/1	at St. Joseph's	W	10-3
M 5/1	at St. Joseph's	W	2-1

## WOMEN'S TENNIS

School	NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Amherst	3	1	8	3
Williams	5	2	12	6
Middlebury	4	2	10	6
BOWDOIN	4	2	8	9
Tufts	2	3	9	8
Colby	2	3	7	10
Conn. College	2	4	9	8
Bates	1	3	8	7
Hamilton	0	1	10	8
Trinity	0	2	5	9
Wesleyan	0	0	11	3

## SCOREBOARD

F 4/28	v. Tufts (at Williams)	W	6-3
	(NESCAC first round)		
Sa 4/29	v. Amherst (at Williams)	L	6-1
	(NESCAC semifinals)		

## SCHEDULE

Sa 5/6	v. Tufts (at Amherst)	11:00 A.M.
	(NCAA first round)	

## MEN'S TRACK & FIELD

Sa 4/29	NESCAC Championship	5th of 11
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## SCHEDULE

Sa 5/6	N.E. Dills (at Springfield)	10:00 A.M.
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## MEN'S LACROSSE

School	FINAL NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	8	1	10	3
Wesleyan	7	2	13	2
BOWDOIN	7	2	11	4
Tufts	5	4	11	5
Bates	5	4	9	5
Amherst	3	8	4	10
Williams	3	6	8	8
Conn. College	3	6	8	8
Colby	2	7	6	8
Trinity	2	7	6	7

## SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/29	at Trinity	W	10-6
Su 4/30	v. Amherst	W	12-8
	(NESCAC first round)		

## SCHEDULE

Sa 5/6	v. Wesleyan (at Midd.)	3:00 P.M.
	(NESCAC semifinals)	

## WOMEN'S LACROSSE

School	FINAL NESCAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Middlebury	9	0	12	1
Amherst	7	2	12	2
Colby	7	2	13	3
BOWDOIN	8	3	13	3
Tufts	5	4	10	5
Williams	4	5	9	5
Wesleyan	3	6	9	8
Trinity	2	7	5	9
Bates	2	7	6	7
Conn. College	0	9	4	11

## SCOREBOARD

Sa 4/29	at Wesleyan	W	13-8
Su 4/30	v. Tufts	W	14-7
	(NESCAC first round)		

## SCHEDULE

Sa 5/6	v. Amherst (at Midd.)	2:30 P.M.
	(NESCAC semifinals)	

-Compiled by Adam Kommel.  
Sources: Bowdoin Athletics, NESCAC, College Tennis Online

## 4x800 team gives Bears advantage over Colby

TRACK, from page 13

took a week off from the 10k to run the 5k race. Knight had a personal best in the event.

The last event of the day proved the most exciting for the Polar Bears, as the 4x800-meter relay team of Jess Sokolow '09, Courtney Eustace '08, Ahearn, and Ali Chase '09 pulled off the closest finish of

the meet. Trailing Colby by 1.5 points going into the event, Bowdoin's anchor, Chase, got the baton 15 meters behind Colby's runner, but Chase gained steadily, passing the Colby runner in the last 80 meters of the race to capture fourth for the Bears by only .56 seconds.

Last Saturday's meet marked the close of the regular season for the Bowdoin.

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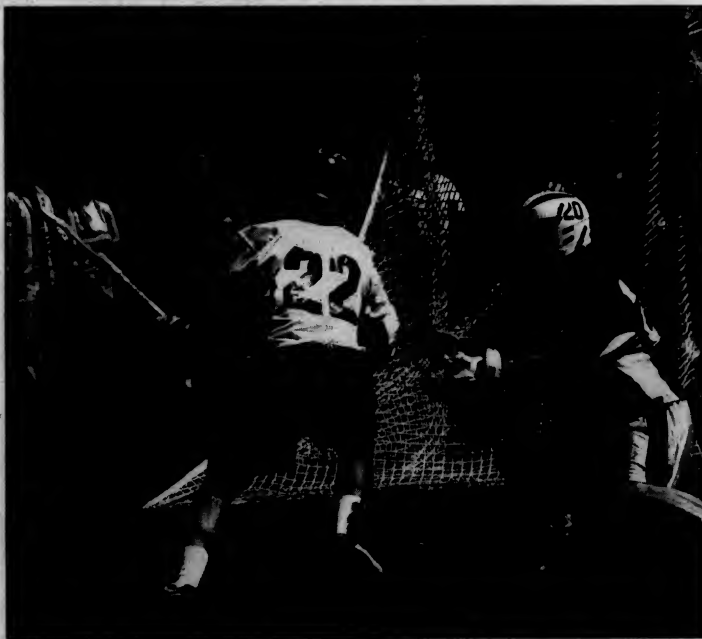
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Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

Attackman Mike Giordano '08 drives toward the goal in Sunday's NESCAC quarterfinal game against Amherst.

## Men's lacrosse to play Cardinals in semis

LACROSSE, from page 13

ed Middlebury on Sunday in the NESCAC finals.

Co-captain Bryan Duggan '06 is ready for the challenge and believes that the team's last game against Wesleyan was not a true representation of the Bears' potential.

"The last time we played Wesleyan I feel as though we were

nowhere near our full potential," Duggan said. "Our offense has improved drastically against a zone defense since the last matchup with Wesleyan."

For Duggan, the team's success this season has been the perfect ending to his four years on the men's lacrosse team.

"Playing lacrosse for these past four years has been an amazing experience. This year has been especially meaningful—we've made it farther this year than the three years before us," he said.

"That is a testament to the hard work we're put in over the years," he said. "Our class is packed with a great group of guys, and although we have an incredibly wide range of personalities, we've all been able to stay so close."

# Men's track fields fifth at NESCAC meet

by Patrick Pierce  
STAFF WRITER

Some of New England's best track and field athletes hit Bowdoin's John J. Magee Track for the NESCAC championships, where the Bears met pre-meet expectations, finishing fifth out of 11 teams in Saturday's meet. Defending their title, the Williams Ephs claimed their sixth straight championship crown. Bates captured fourth place, while Colby finished eighth.

The Polar Bears boasted a number of exceptional performances. First-year Damon Hall-Jones captured fourth place in the 100 meters in a blazing 11.44 seconds. Bowdoin sprinters continued their success in the 400 meters with a fourth-place finish from sophomore Lamont White, breaking the 50-second barrier for the first time. Junior Joe Adu contributed to the Bears' effort with a second-place finish in the 110-meter hurdles and a fourth place in the long jump.

Junior Owen McKenna, slowed by traffic during the 1500 meters, still managed a fourth place in 3:57 minutes. Nate Krah '08 extended the Bears' success in the distance events, finishing fourth in the 5000 meter in 15:15. Fellow sophomore Tyler Lonsdale finished fifth in the 10,000 meters in 31:57.

The Bowdoin throwers had a fantastic day on Whittier Field. In the javelin throw, seniors Jared Prichard and Matt Regele took third and fourth, respectively. Senior Patrick Lyons heaved the shotput 46' 06" for fourth place. First-year Luke Fairbanks also delivered big in the event, finishing fifth with a toss of 45' 08" feet. Senior Alex Linhart launched the hammer for a fifth-place finish with a toss of 164' 05". Lyons came in close behind for sixth place, throwing 163' 03".

The Bowdoin relays were equally impressive. The 4x100 and 4x400 relays both finished fourth. The distance medley relay was the highlight of the day for the Bowdoin, with first-year Jay McCormick, sophomores Tim Katlic and Steven Bartus, and junior Owen McKenna garnering the Bear's only first-place victory of the day.

According to Lyons, playing host to the NESCAC meet was exceptionally exciting for the men.

"[The] men really carried the momentum from the state meet into their events. We were all excited to compete in front of the home crowd. We're looking to do some damage at regionals," Lyons said.

The Bears are traveling to Springfield, Massachusetts today to compete in the New England DIII Championships.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

Junior Joe Adu captured a second-place finish in the 110-meter hurdles and fourth place in the long jump.

# Women's lacrosse beats Tufts in first round

by Emily Baird  
STAFF WRITER

for the day.

After a roller coaster spring, the women's lacrosse team closed its regular season play with a comfortable win over Wesleyan and destroyed Tufts in the first round of the NESCAC tournaments, coming in as the fourth seed.

Bowdoin finished the season with a 6-3 record in the NESCAC, and currently holds a 13-3 overall record, which includes Sunday's match against Tufts.

Despite their fourth-place seed, the Bears are well positioned for successful post-season play. Their performance in Saturday's match was impressive; with the 13-8 win, they continue to dominate the Cardinals—they boast a 12-game win streak against Wesleyan, which finished this year 9-8 (3-6 NESCAC).

In Saturday's game, the Polar Bears faced a trying first half. By the end of the first 30 minutes, they held on to only a 4-3 lead. Sophomore Bridget Keating scored first for the Polar Bears before senior co-captain Brook Nentwig kicked it into gear and tallied a hat trick.

Bowdoin hit the second half with the upper hand, scoring a rapid six goals: junior Taylor White, senior co-captain Jena Davis, sophomore Grace Moore, and Keating each contributed to the six-goal count in 11 minutes. Wesleyan retaliated with the next three, but Bowdoin maintained a comfortable lead for the remainder of the game. First-year Stephanie Collins-Finn stopped 10 shots

After the trek to Connecticut, the Bears returned to tournament play the very next day. With the home-field advantage, Bowdoin swamped the Jumbos in the first round of the NESCAC tournament, 14-7. This victory avenged a disappointing defeat to Tufts earlier in the season when Bowdoin lost by only one goal, 9-8.

By the end of the first half, the game was clearly to the Polar Bears' advantage, as they led 11-3. Moore catalyzed a seven-goal spree after scoring one unassisted at the 16-minute mark. Junior Kate Donoghue, Davis, Keating, Moore, Nentwig, and sophomore Lyndsey Colburn also added to the first-half blitz, which put them ahead for the remainder of the game.

In the second half, sophomore Bobbi Dennison added one, along with Donoghue and White. Bowdoin outshot the Jumbos in this rematch 26-18, and Collins-Finn made seven saves.

This weekend, the team will travel to Middlebury for the remainder of the tournament. The Bears will challenge second-seeded Amherst, who beat Wesleyan 17-8 in the quarterfinals, for Saturday's semifinal match. During the regular season, Bowdoin defeated Amherst 10-9.

This is the Polar Bears' third straight advancement to the semifinals. Other contenders in the tournament are first-seeded Middlebury and sixth-seeded Williams.



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Kate Donoghue maneuvers past a Tufts defender in Saturday's home game. The Bears defeated the Jumbos 6-3.

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### A tale of two Craigs

**A**t a special dinner tonight, members of the college community will say goodbye to Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley and Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen. These two men have guided the College's student life and academic programs into a new century. While at many colleges and universities the word "administrator" is said with distaste, Bradley and McEwen have shown that administrators can lead with integrity, compassion, and wisdom. We can say with certainty that their leadership has made Bowdoin a better place to live and a better place to learn.

The common threads between Bradley and McEwen extend beyond their first names. Both men seemed to appreciate the role of a college newspaper, and we have appreciated their candor and willingness to meet with our reporters over the years. In the late 1990s, then-professor McEwen and Dean Bradley were integral to the overhaul of Bowdoin's residential life system. Bowdoin's abolishment of fraternities bettered the academic and social climate. The administration's action during this time took significant courage, leadership, and foresight.

In their own spheres, both men provided wise leadership. Bradley was known to many students as being a dean of student affairs who could be both a mentor and friend—but he was also known as someone who could stand tough and impose discipline when necessary. Bradley's Office of the Dean of Student Affairs is a place where students can receive the assistance that they need. McEwen, known as a careful listener and a skilled consensus-builder, improved relations between the faculty and the administration. The academic program under McEwen has strengthened, with change encouraged but not undertaken in haste. The new distribution requirements that will apply to next year's incoming class allow students flexibility while making sure that all graduates receive a taste of scholarship in differing disciplines.

We are glad that we will still see them in future years. Bradley is moving to Paris to work for the Aga Khan Development Network, but he plans to maintain a home in Brunswick and one of his daughters hopes to enroll here someday. McEwen will take a year-long sabbatical before returning to teach in the sociology department. But we will miss their daily leadership. For their service to Bowdoin—and most importantly, their service to Bowdoin's students—we offer them thanks and wish them the best of luck.

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### Divestment is not enough

To the Editors:

We applaud President Mills for creating the Advisory Committee on Darfur in order to explore what actions Bowdoin should take in response to the systematic crimes against humanity being committed in Sudan.

Regardless of whether the committee ultimately recommends the divestment of our endowment from any companies doing business with Sudan, we believe that the College has a responsibility to take a larger role in educating our community about the current crisis and to do everything in its power to prevent such future atrocities.

Accordingly, we have submitted a proposal to the committee that recommends that Bowdoin lead our peer institutions in establishing a formal association of schools concerned about crimes against humanity. The association we envision would be composed of representatives from each institution who would consult periodically and issue reports to our respective communities whenever there is consensus that such crimes are being committed.

The group would function as an early warning system, the sort that might have sped up the political process of humanitarian intervention and saved some of the hundreds of thousands who have been killed so far in Darfur. It would also further the primary goal of academic institutions to educate our communities and would encourage influential members, such as alumni and local politi-

cal leaders, to take action in a better informed and more timely manner.

Ultimately, we hope that future statements endorsed by this collective body will effect faster political responses than the independent efforts which have been made by each of our individual schools. If you support this proposal, please consider urging the committee to include it in its final recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

David Gordon,  
assistant professor of history  
Matthew Martin '07

### Support the campaign for clean energy

To the Editors:

We wish to commend the Orient for its support and coverage of the Clean Energy Now campaign and to encourage continued dialogue on the topic of clean energy as the semester comes to a close. Clean Energy Now has collected over 700 student signatures in support of a 100 percent renewable electricity purchase and has met with college administrators. We will continue to campaign for a commitment from the College on clean energy.

It is evident that economic feasibility is a primary concern of the administration regarding this proposal, and we are confident that we can demonstrate the affordability of a 100 percent renewable electricity purchase. At the same time, we are not only appealing to the financial bottom line

of the College, but also to its highest ideals and its responsibility as an institution of higher learning and innovation. The common good is more than a catch phrase, and we must recognize that a true commitment to the common good demands genuine leadership on the issue of climate change.

To this end, we ask for the continued support of Bowdoin students, faculty, and administrators in our campaign for clean energy. The ideals of our community and the needs of communities everywhere demand that we take immediate action along with our peer schools to mitigate climate change; purchasing renewable electricity is a necessary step.

Sincerely,

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### Respect Bible; McEwen is hypocritical

To the Editors:

I would like to comment on the article "J-Board case highlights free speech, bias issues" (April 28). Visiting Assistant Professor of History Nicola Denzey's throwing of a Bible on the floor is an incredibly offensive action to Christians who believe that the Bible is sacred and the word of God and is not necessary to teach anything. At my church, the Bible, which is covered in gold, remains on the altar table. When it is being read, the congregation stands, and the priest uses it to bless the people. The Bible is venerated as a sacred object. By contending that Denzey's action "is not inappropriate," Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen reveals his hypocrisy. The leaders of Bowdoin preach tolerance and respect for all types of people, but by excluding Christians, McEwen is being intolerant and insensitive. Someone with such an attitude should not be in a position of authority at Bowdoin. People who insist that throwing a Bible is OK are either ignorant or hostile to Christianity.

In addition, Denzey and Professor of Philosophy Scott Sehon commented on how it is difficult for students with strong religious to put aside their biases and analyze information objectively. Yet, I base my entire life on following the will of God and view the world as a disciple of Christ and thus cannot turn off my religious mind at will.

Sincerely,

Kristen Brownell '07

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# An open mind challenges beliefs

by Brian Lockhart  
CONTRIBUTOR

Many times throughout the past two years at Bowdoin, I have acquired the label "closed-minded" due to some of my "conservative" points of view. I would like to point out that being open-minded has nothing to do with one's political or philosophical leanings. The way I understand it, an open-minded attitude refers to the ability to listen to others' arguments and engage in intellectual discussion

about the issue at hand. Once, during what was intended to be civil discourse, I started expressing my point of view, when someone immediately cut me off, asserting, "No, stop talking, I don't want to hear it." The student then

*Just because someone stands for one position does not make them closed-minded.*

proceeded to run into a room and slam the door. Yet I'm branded "closed-minded" merely because I happened to have been taking a

"conservative" stance on that particular issue.

Similarly, the College Republicans brought a speaker to campus who was boycotted. A letter to the editors praised the boycott because it prevented a potentially harmful event from success. However, if the author of the letter had attended the talk, he would not have found it remotely offensive. All it did was provide students with an alternative point of view. In closing our ears to arguments from individuals who carry certain labels, we as students commit the error of the genetic fallacy—determining the truth or falsity of an idea by its genesis.

Late contemporary author Og Mandino stated, "Take the attitude of a student, never be too big to ask questions, never know too much to learn something new." Here at Bowdoin, we are students, regardless of one's political affiliations. My political viewpoints have changed significantly since I came to Bowdoin, and I would like to attribute those transformations to an open mind. I don't think anyone, conservative nor liberal, has adequate understanding of the big issue to circumvent careful consideration of the proverbial "other side."

Just because someone stands for one position does not make them closed-minded. Someone who is pro-life is not closed-minded if they can articulate logical reasons why they take that stance. Granted, the College Republicans have a knack for sparking their fair share of controversy. An instinctive response when one feels repelled by an argument is to keep one's distance, especially when one is in the majority.

However, this is the exact opposite of what should take place. The closed-minded attitude is to shut them off completely, through tactics such as boycotts. One with an open mind would be willing to attend an event, consider the argument, and ask questions. Then, if the speaker is wrong, how fun would it be to tear them apart with logical debate and watch them stutter and squirm on the stand? How entertaining was it to see Michael Heath at a complete loss for words? In doing this, you are not only proving to yourself that your side of the argument holds water, but you can help others better understand your point as well.

If an event is boycotted, there is no open forum for discussion, and the two sides never have a chance to debate head to head. Objectively, I feel that an open-minded individual that was planning to vote yes on Question 1 would have changed his or her mind after Michael Heath's performance. If it were boycotted, that would not have had a chance to happen. From a utilitarian perspective, the net amount of knowledge is negative when a boycott occurs. We, as a supposedly vibrant, intellectual community, will have lost something. We run the risk of committing the genetic fallacy without even hearing an idea articulated. We label people rather than listening to their ideas, because labeling makes us feel safe.

Thus I charge conservatives and liberals alike to have an open mind to all new ideas. A campus where everyone adheres to the same mindset is downright boring. Be open minded, challenge others' views, and in doing so, we will challenge our own. The result? We will all turn out a little better educated.

# The final countdown

*These Revelations Will Not Be Televised*

by Steve Kolowich  
ORIENT STAFF

"Finals."

It sounds so terminal—like an incurable disease whose end result is as excruciating as it is inevitable. I imagine a doctor in a lab coat standing gravely by at my bedside on a mid-May morning, stiffly clutching his clipboard. "I'm sorry, Mr. Kolowich," he softly utters. "I'm afraid you have...finals."

My mother weeps. I fight a rush of nausea and fix my gaze on the window, wondering what happened to the blithe innocence of my escaped youth.

I try to be brave.

"Will it hurt, doc?" I inquire, frowning my brow.

"Only briefly," he responds in a practiced, dispassionate tone. "It only takes a few days before..."

He looks away. I nod slowly as questions fire through my brain. How did this happen? What did I do wrong? Who was responsible? What will happen after it's all (gulp) over?

It was on account of this recurrent nightmare that I started calling finals "exams." Of course, only days went by before I realized that this nomenclature inspired different but comparably unpleasant medical nightmares: "It's time for your exam," says my professor. "Please take out your blue book and remove all your clothes."

There was another one wherein I take my exam while my professor sits in a chair two feet from my face, "examining" me and breathing audibly. I started sleeping with the lights on after that.

While the connotations of another alternative nomenclature, "tests," are broader, they are potentially the most terrifying. I can't help but imagine being beamed into the professorial mother ship, where my brain is "tested" interchangeably with questions about Locke's metaphysics and searing electrical currents.

So in the interest of avoiding these nightmares and limiting myself to rational terrors these next two weeks, I have decided to call exams "kittens" this year (as in "I was up all night studying for my history kitten," or "My kittens are going to rake me over the coals"). I figure that associating finals with fuzzy, adorable mammals will distract me from their apocalyptic implications. After all, who wouldn't look forward to a week of kittens?

Of course, the converse of this theory is that I will simply start hating kittens. Sure, maybe I stop dreaming about being probed and analyzed, but maybe next time a kitten paws playfully at the cuff of my pants, I drop-kick it into a lake.

Fortunately, this is a risk I'm prepared to accept.

Having disarmed them semantically, I am ready to begin preparing for my kittens practically, right? The answer, sadly, is no. Avoiding the psych-out is just step one. Step

two is motivating myself to actually initiate the studying process.

This is often difficult because I don't know exactly what the study process should look like. Usually I will try to gather every shred of material that has been covered in a class and every page of notes I have taken. More often than not, this turns into a scavenger hunt when I realize that half my class notes for a given class are recorded in notebooks designated for other classes. I probably shouldn't have bought the same color for every subject.

It can also be difficult to locate notes that are separated from the rest by 20 pages of doodles. I mean, how did I possibly think I could make a flip book out of 8 1/2 by 11-inch notebook paper?

After I track down as many notes as I can, I abscond with them to an uncharted nook of the library and spread everything out on a table. This is usually when I glance at a clock and notice that compiling, transporting, and arranging all my study materials has taken three and a half hours.

Referring to the popular but dangerous logic that one's knowledge of a subject is directly proportional to the amount of time he has devoted to "studying" for that subject, I convince myself at this point that

the last few hours have been highly productive and decide that a study break is in order.

I suppose my relationship with Facebook is like any addict's relationship with his

opiate of choice: I hate it, hate it, hate it, and yet every time I lose focus on the task I ought to be doing, there I am, checking the "recently updated" profiles again.

"OK," I tell myself, "I need to figure out whether I want this paper to focus on the symbolic value of religious traditions or...Hey! An acquaintance from junior high updated her profile four minutes ago! I must investigate, now!"

A half-hour later, I start thinking that maybe I should get back to studying, seeing as how I haven't technically started yet. But before I can even log off, that seductive procrastinator's logic strikes again:

"I just made about 12 wall posts...that really doesn't count as a 'break,' per se," I reason. I decide that I have time to say hi to a friend who is studying nearby.

By the time that friend and I sit down at dinner over an hour later, I don't even remember where in the library I left all my books and papers. After an exhausting but ultimately successful post-meal search—and a subsequent nap—I'm ready to hit the books. I crack open my textbook to page one and learn that "anthropology" is "the study of human beings." Then the bell rings, indicating that I have 15 minutes to re-gather all my stuff and vacate the library.

This is the end, my only friend: the end. And as you prepare for the final sprint toward summer, I advise you to beware of the procrastinator's logic. Hit the books early and often; that way, when you realize what a painfully small percentage of your professors' lectures has stuck, you'll have time to have a nervous breakdown, recover, and then get some actual studying done before judgment day.

Take care, and good luck on your kittens.

# Make the very most of time with friends

*Romancing with Riley*

by Sarah Riley  
COLUMNIST

As I soaked up the sun on the Brunswick quad this past Ivies weekend, sipping a frosty brew and playing a lively game of what I will call, "Wed, Bed, or Run Over with a Sled" for decency's sake, I took pause for a moment to soak up a bit of the social scene instead. (Except I didn't so much "pause" the sipping of the frosty brew as much as I aggressively chugged it and then unnecessarily slammed the empty can to the ground. But, I digress.) As I looked around at my fellow Bowdoin students, I suddenly realized why I came to this school, and believe it or not, it had nothing to do with the school-sanctioned mid-day binge drinking. As lame as it sounds, I looked around and saw a bunch of friends.

I saw football players, united by their lack of shirts and bounty of both man-chest and unlaced Timberlands. I saw BOCers with their shoelace feet, cuffed Carharts, and omnipresent scars from the last hike up Katahdin. I saw roommates bonded together by camo tank tops or bright green sweatshirts. Each and every group looked genuinely happy, and I chose to believe that it wasn't just the pre-dinner buzz smiling through.

I've been asked many times whether I believe Bowdoin is a cliques school, and based on the picture I just painted for you, I might be inclined to answer yes. But on that sunny afternoon, as the DJ's beats got a bit phatter (rid: Rihanna's "S.O.S." came on) and the mixed drinks got a bit stronger, I saw hockey guys chatting with football guys. I saw camo shirts among a sea of green sweatshirts and the trendy girls sharing their vintage ponchos with my Polo-clad roommates. The groups mixed, mingled, funneled, hugged, and chugged, and the "cliques" melted away.

And it's not just the alcohol that helps unite various groups of friends here at Bowdoin. The threat of graduation seems to have a similar effect, as does a mutual dislike of a professor or two people happen to share, a pre-O trip bond or a freshman dorm connection. Bowdoin is small enough that friendships formed by

one person in one group with one person outside of that group impacts everybody in both groups. And I for one love that about this place.

In fact, that's exactly how my motley crew came together during my first year at Bowdoin. A few of us lived on the same floor in Moore Hall, a few more lived just downstairs, a couple sailed together, one was a pre-O friend, and all of a sudden I had people to sit with at brunch, couches to sleep on when my roommate's boyfriend was visiting, and hands to hold back my hair when the Union Street Punch-Out Party got the best of me. And with graduation a terrifying four weeks away, all I want to do is bundle every single one of them up in my Class of 2006 banner and never let go.

You see, as lovely as all that intermingling on the Quad was, at the end of day it always comes back to your

closest friends.

No, Bowdoin isn't a cliques school, but yes, it is an environment that is conducive to tightly-knit groups of friends—the people who crawl in

to your bed every single Sunday morning and laugh about the freshman year hook-up who you propositioned in anticipation of Ivies, or the article of clothing you left behind in a questionable social house escape. Their emails make Sunday nights in the library tolerable. They'll buy bikini t-shirt cover-ups and wear them just as proudly as you do, and they bring you your favorite flavor of Gatorade when you're too hung over to walk to the bathroom, much less the union. They are why you come back to Bowdoin every fall and why leaving Bowdoin upon graduation feels so awful.

The fact is, almost everything I've written in my past columns will mean nothing in a few years, with the obvious exception of the Facebook article, which will continue to define my life until the day I die. (Kidding—I hope.) But sooner or later, the awkwardness will fade and eventually I will lose my mad game. (Sike. That will never happen.) What I will always hold on to are the people that made my experiences here possible. No matter how many more years you have at Bowdoin, you don't have enough time left with the friends you make here. So finish that frosty brew, grab your friends, and make some memories, no matter how hazy they end up being. These are the best four years of your life, so share them with the people that matter. I certainly have.

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# GOP has much on its agenda

by Zachary Linhart  
CONTRIBUTOR

The Bowdoin College Republicans are finishing up another unprecedented year of activism, debate, and fun. Having been graciously elected co-chairman next year of this prestigious organization, I would like to share some thoughts on my vision for the Republican Party. I know most students on campus do not agree with many of the conservative points of view, and I know that some do not think the College Republicans should be on campus, but I think many of the debates that have occurred over the past years have been beneficial for the College and for all of its students.

One of the most touching political issues, abortion, has recently been discussed extensively on campus because of controversial posters that were put up. These posters initiated a debate on abortion that had not occurred since the College Republicans brought Olivia Gans to campus in 2004. The Republican Party incorporates a broad array of views on abortion. There are those who are pro-choice such as Rudy Giuliani and Arnold Schwarzenegger. Others, such as President Bush, are pro-life. We need to have a healthy debate on this issue. Roe v. Wade certainly publicized the issue and brought it to a national level. Yet it took the debate away from the individual and put it in the hands of a federal government entity. To give the debate back to the people, we must overturn this decision. Abortion should be a state issue and should be decided by the people, not the justices. This is my view, however, and many within the Republican Party and at Bowdoin may disagree.

The war in Iraq is another of the controversial issues upon us today. This Monday at Bowdoin, Governor Baldacci exclaimed that the war is only about oil. This claim, while being boldly untrue, disregards the serious debate that has continued on this issue. We removed Saddam Hussein for many reasons, one of

which was that he was a ruthless dictator who tortured, raped, and murdered his own people, and another being the knowledge that he had and was in the process of producing more weapons of mass destruction.

Currently, in Sudan, the Janjaweed are torturing, raping, and murdering the black Africans. I believe that we should intervene militarily to end this genocide. I know many Democrats feel similarly on this issue. Yet how can they logically oppose a military action in one nation (Iraq), when a near parallel situation is occurring in another (Sudan)? It frightens me to know that if we did intervene in Darfur, as we did in Iraq, a few years from now Democrats may turn their backs on the situation.

Medicare, welfare, Social Security, and other socialistic programs remain issues that need to be discussed on campus as well. Recently, the trustees for Social Security said that the program would become insolvent one year earlier than originally thought. Medicare's funds will run out even sooner. If we do not act on these issues soon, the system will be dilapidated before we reach retirement age.

Since the mid-1980s, this nation has been swept with a wave of privatization and individual rights. I think that people want to control their own money—it is the capitalist way. Let those who work hard for their incomes decide where they want to invest their money. Why do Democrats oppose letting people make their own decisions about what to do with their wealth? If people do not feel comfortable making their own investment decisions then they do not have to. Redistribution of wealth without the consent of the individual, as predicted, will fail.

The American economy is currently booming. The stock market has hit its highest levels in nearly six years: Unemployment is a measly 4.7 percent, and GDP growth for the first quarter of this year has sharply increased. I believe that this is mainly a consequence of the tax relief leg-

islation signed into law by President Bush. However, our tax code remains unnecessarily complicated. Tax reform is needed in this country. Two possible solutions are out there. The first is a flat tax, in which all income taxes are fixed at 17 percent. This manageable level would lower many corporate income taxes and create a boom in the American economy that would spur tremendous job creation. Because it would be a flat tax on all income, everyone would be paying the same percentage, thus making the system extremely fair.

A second proposal is to abolish the income tax altogether and create a national sales tax. This would be a tremendous incentive for Americans to save their incomes and provide for their offspring, rather than squander all their money as many do today. A sales tax would be on all consumer goods and would again be much simpler than the current system. Since an income tax was added to the Constitution in the form of an amendment, it has gradually become more and more complicated. I hope that Congress has the courage to reform the tax code and, in the mean time, continue to lower taxes.

I can go on and on about my views for the future of the Republican Party and the College Republicans. The Republican Party is a big tent encompassing farmers in Oklahoma and lawyers in Manhattan. The College Republicans include pre-schoolers from Greenwich and religious conservatives from the hills of Pennsylvania. All viewpoints are welcomed and embraced; open debate is critical and widespread.

As we transition to next year, the College Republicans will need to transform to meet the needs of a new student body. Legends such as seniors Dan Schubert, Alex Linhart, and Chris Averill will be leaving. The new College Republicans will keep fighting the good fight for individual liberty, economic growth, and strong defense values that I know most Bowdoin students advocate.

## Beware of Bowdoin look-alikes

by Marianna Houston  
and Ann Sullivan  
CONTRIBUTORS

Since Sarah's got the social scene covered with more justice than we could ever give it, and Monica and Vanessa have claimed the fashion territory, we chose to write about look-alikes at Bowdoin. We knew this idea was crazy, but we thought it might just be crazy enough.

You know you can't deny the phenomenon. You've been walking on the quad, frantically waving from Hubbard to Adams, only to find that the recipient of this overzealous wave was not exactly who you had in mind. Clearly, you try and play it off accordingly. No, your contacts or early morning fog are not to blame for this case of mistaken identity. The culprit is in fact the look-alike theme park that is Bowdoin College.

This is uncharted territory for most. Who knowingly signed up to go to school in a genetic Bermuda Triangle? The rules of etiquette, therefore, are nonexistent or primitive at best. Pay attention. Don't say the following: "Oh my god. There is like so an uglier—I mean way uglier—on campus of you running around on campus!" It would be much better received if you try, "Hi, have you seen the less hot version of

you?" See, this second greeting implies that she is attractive herself, and, if someone looks like her, they must inherently be attractive as well, just not quite as attractive. Goal achieved: awareness of twin plus bonus compliment.

When dealing with twin-on-twin encounters, never say to a person: "Hey, you know you who look like? Me!" Calling a person your twin may sound fun—we know we've always wanted a Mary-Kate to our Ashley. However, it could lead to two different situations. Number one: The person doesn't know what to say, because, quite frankly, that's a downright awkward accusation. Then you get offended. Who doesn't want to look like you? Or, number two: The person responds aggressively. "No way! Thanks so much! I think you're gorgeous!" Then they, in turn, seem obsessed with you. Either way, for all future twin interactions, you'll play the game that we're all too familiar with. You'll pretend to be talking on your phone, listening to music, lost in thought, or late to class, while asking yourself, "Is he looking at me?" and keeping your eyes straight ahead.

If you have read this far—we're surprised, but thank you—and think this is old news, we realize we're only scratching the surface here.

The topic of look-alikes opens a dangerous Pandora's box. There's the hybrid: Katie looks like Kate with a splash of Kathryn. The baby/sibling: If Kat and Matt had a baby, it would so be Mikey. And, of course, the celebrity: Neil Young at Thorne anyone? (Note to readers: For reasons of anonymity, we can't use a student example here.) We also acknowledge the fact that there are of course combinations and mutations of the above categories and subcategories within these categories. For example, the hybrid celebrity with a twist of sibling!

We are now left with one question: Why Bowdoin? Could this phenomenon possibly be attributed to the overwhelming amount of Polar Bear incest? With the legendary buzz about alum-on-alum action, it is only inevitable then that the Class of 1976 start to look similar to the Class of 2006. And think, probably by the Class of 2066 there will be one standard John and Jane Bowdoin. Or, let's be honest, more appropriately Mark/Mike/Matt and Kathryn/Katie/Kate Bowdoin.

This article is not meant to alarm, but merely to raise awareness. Next time you're sauntering down the steps of Searles and you think you see your roommate from freshman year, think twice before waving. It could be her Bowdoin look-alike.



From top, artwork by seniors Sophie Wias, Moira Greenspan, and Rachel Grobstein is on display in the VAC until next Friday.

Check out the Orient online!



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# WEEKLYCALENDAR

## May 5-May 11

### Friday

#### *Dean McEwen and Bradley Dinner*

Come to a dinner in honor of Deans Craig Bradley and Craig McEwen to thank them for their service to the college.

Thorne Dining Hall, 5:30 p.m.

#### *Mixed Company*

Come to an art opening held by Hallie Mueller and Dan McGrath. Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center, 7-9 p.m.

#### *A Capella Spring Concert*

The Longfellows will give their annual spring concert. Miscellania will perform afterward, with guest a capella group The Brown Derbies, in the Druckenmiller Atrium at 8 p.m.

Bowdoin Chapel, 7 p.m.

#### *The Water Projects*

J. Ed Araiza presents his semester-long residency with the SITI acting company. Pickard Theater, Memorial Hall, 8-10 p.m.

*Shabbat Candle Lighting*  
Johnson House, 6 p.m.



Mike Ardolino, The Bowdoin Orient

With the arrival of warm weather, flowers begin to bloom near Coles Tower.

### Sunday

*Sunday Mass*  
Bowdoin Chapel,  
4:30 p.m.

### Monday

*Winds Concert*  
Relax at a semester's end Chamber Winds concert, directed by Anita Jerosch. Tillotson Room, Gibson Hall, 7:30-9 p.m.

### Saturday

#### *Iron Bear Triathlon*

Support the participants of the triathlon and duathlon, many of whom are Bowdoin students and staff members. Farley Field House, Morning to Midday

#### *Spring Gala*

All students are invited to the 2006 spring dance. Semi-formal or formal attire is acceptable.

Morrell Gymnasium, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

### Tuesday

#### *Frances Kamm Lecture*

Frances Kamm of Harvard University will deliver a philosophy lecture titled, "What Is and Is Not Wrong With Enhancement of Human Capacities."

Room 315, Searles Hall,  
4-6 p.m.

#### *Jazz Concert*

Bowdoin Jazz Ensembles and the Polar Jazz Big Band will perform under the direction of Steve Grover.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### *Improvabilities*

Bowdoin's comedy troupe will perform a variety of improvised skits and games.

Kresge Auditorium, Visual Arts Center, 9 p.m.

#### *Once More, With Feeling*

The language department teaching fellows will hold a farewell party. All students are invited. Jack Magees Pub, Smith Union, 9 p.m.

### Thursday

#### *Martial Arts Show*

The United Martial Arts Club, Tae Kwon Do, and Taiko Drumming will perform.

In Front of the Bowdoin Chapel,  
1-3 p.m.



Drew Fulton, The Bowdoin Orient

A pair of tree swallows rest in the Scarborough marshes.





# THE CAMP BoBo CRIER

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You probably found this in the shitter. Wash your hands.

## Mills's refusal to wear pants prompts tri-dean departure

by Tighty Whitey  
BOXERS OR BRIEFS

Casual Friday has taken on a whole new meaning for campus administrators.

President Barry Mills has decided not to wear pants around the office anymore, sources tell the Crier.

College administrators are fed up with the president's refusal to wear pants. Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen, Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley, and Interim Dean of Admissions Dick Steele all cite Mills's pants-free philosophy as their reason for choosing to step down come July.

Mills said that although he is unhappy that his behavior prompted three dean vacancies this year, he has no apologies—and no intentions of further clothing himself.

"They can kiss my ass," Mills said. "And it will be easy since I'm not wearing any pants."

"I think he's trying to supersede my manhood," said Dick Steele. "My name has always afforded me a certain reputation around this place. Mills is trying to challenge that."

The behavior—which started last semester—is only getting worse.



Buddy the Elf, What's Your Favorite Color?

Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen and Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley may be smiling on the outside, but inside, they are downright disgusted.

according to Bradley.

"It all started in the fall," he said. "In a meeting one afternoon, he just stood up and dropped trou. Then it

started happening more often."

"We sort of tolerated it when he

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## College to divest from student body

by Jack Abramoff  
ETHICIST

In the spirit of revising its investing policies in the interest of social responsibility, the College has been seriously re-examining its investment in its own undergraduates.

This comes on the heels of a study conducted by the Office of Institutional Research that shows that the majority of Bowdoin students are debauched, lazy, spoiled, presumptuous, wasteful, and tend to lack any real societal utility.

"Sometimes, you've got to recognize that there are things that are more important than making good returns," said Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer Katy Longley. "Endorsing a culture of sloth, alcoholism, and pretentious quasi-intellectualism is not one of those things."

Discussion about divestment was provoked by an activist contingent of faculty and staff who cited other schools such as Harvard College, which have almost entirely divested from their undergraduate programs.

"It's about time we got with the

program," said Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley. "Most of our peer institutions identified long ago that undergrads at liberal arts colleges are good for little more than sucking down mocha lattes and playing 'Halo.'"

In response to the outspoken proponents of divestment, President Barry Mills has recently formed the Panel for Student Body Divestment. The committee will meet at the end of May to discuss the ethical and economic implications of divestment.

The nine-person committee comprises three faculty members, two alumni, two staffers, Vice President for Investments Paula Volent, and local curmudgeon Dorothy Cratchet.

"Those kids have got no work ethic, I tell you," rasped Cratchet as the dusty old hag sat on her porch petting one of her 27 cats. "They need to get haircuts and join the Army."

"Now get the hell off my porch!" she added.

Students were invited to partici-

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## Res Life OKs shantytown on Quad to fix crunch

by Vinny Tortellini  
SLUM LORD

The Office of Residential Life authorized the building of a temporary shantytown consisting of 40 thatched huts on the Quad in an attempt to alleviate the housing crunch. The structures, to be called "provisional private apartments" (PPAs), will be built over the summer.

When hearing the news, all of the Burnett House residents volunteered to make the move.

The Crier has learned that President Barry Mills commissioned an internal investigation of the housing situation at the College after a trustee complained that her son was living in an "oct"—a room with 8 occupants—in West Hall. The results, rejected by Mills as "pure hogwash," revealed an expected shortage of 72 beds at the College this fall.

When confronted with the results of the investigation, a copy of which was obtained by the Crier, Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli at first refused comment, mumbling that the office's calculator was out of

batteries the day the housing numbers were calculated.

After consulting with senior administration officials, Pacelli agreed to an interview. She said that while it was regrettable that temporary housing was necessary, Bowdoin is not the first college to use innovative ways to accommodate all its residents.

"Amherst, for example, brought in mobile trailers that were outfitted as bedrooms," she said. "Thatched houses are, for all intents and purposes, just non-mobile trailers."

Construction plans, approved by Pacelli, will be executed under the supervision of Director of Capital Projects Donald V. Borkowski who said he is "very excited" to work on such a "difficult, important project."

The school has allotted \$95 for the project and the Brunswick solid waste plant has donated the necessary dirt, according to Borkowski. "This dirt will make really solid, strong mud for the huts' floors," he added.

A computer will generate a list of sophomores and juniors who will

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## College to renovate East, West

by Bob  
THE BUILDER

With construction coming to an end on Hyde and Appleton halls, the College announced that it plans to renovate East and West halls starting this week.

According to Director of Capital Projects Don Borkowski, the Coffin Street dorms, which opened to students this year, would be more aesthetically pleasing if moved three inches north, prompting the upcoming renovation. The dorms will be completely dismantled and rebuilt slightly closer to campus.

"Whoever said size doesn't matter has no idea what kind of difference three inches can make," Borkowski said.

Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay McKesson '07 agreed.

"Three inches is life," he said.



Amigero Vespucci, Cartographer

The College plans to renovate East and West halls at the end of the academic year to "mix things up a bit," a Crier investigation has found.

## Partisans unite over recycling cause

Groups strive to use  
100 percent reused  
political rhetoric

by Seamus O'Toole  
and Bobby O'Shea  
WE'RE GOING TO GET DRUNK!

The College Republicans and College Democrats have had trouble finding common ground in the past, but they have recently united to rally around the issue of recycling. Retroactive to the beginning of the 2005-2006 academic year, the groups have agreed to only use recycled political rhetoric.

"We feel that this agreement represents the principles that the founding fathers built this country on," said Co-Chair of the College Republicans Alex Linhart '06. "It is important that Americans unite under this initiative in the name of freedom."

While the partisan organizations emphasized that their teamwork in this effort does not suggest a comprehensive ideological compromise, they did highlight the importance of cooperation in politics.

"We need to put aside partisan feuds for the sake of the common good," said Co-Chair of the College Democrats Frank Chi '07. "After

all, how many times in the Bible does it mention forgiveness?"

"I think that the lack of compromise in contemporary politics represents this generation's cynicism and apathy toward positive social change," added Chi.

The two groups were able to reach the accord when they realized that the idea of recycling political rhetoric plays to the Democrats' general desire to promote sustainability and the Republicans' general desire to increase efficiency.

"It's about time Bowdoin students hoisted themselves up by their

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## WALDO



Can you find him?  
Not so hard  
when we crop  
around him, huh?  
To the Left

# Randy Nichols disciplined for placing 1,000 snap bands in library books

Director of Security aims to save students' souls... from night-time traffic

by 1987 called  
IT WANTS ITS FADS BACK

Director of Safety and Security Randall T. Nichols has been placed on paid administrative leave for inserting at least 1,000 snap bracelets in targeted library books.

Since the case is a personnel issue, administrators would typically not talk about it with the Crier. However, Nichols came to the Crier with his story and signed waivers allowing the release of his personal information as part of his campaign to make his story public.

"Now I'm out trying to fight anti-safety forces," Nichols said.

According to an affidavit, a copy of which was given to the Crier, Nichols admitted to disseminating the snap bands in the library from February through April of this year. He inserted the bands in fiction and non-fiction books that glorified violence or substance abuse.

Nichols said he inserted some snap bracelets while he was on duty, but said he disseminated the majority of the bracelets when he stayed late after work on weekends, often into the wee hours of the morning.

Patrons started finding the bands within a few days of Nichols' first placement.

"We had three patrons come to the circulation desk extremely intimidated and upset," Librarian Sherric Bergman said. "They opened the books and found something they did not intend to find. The patrons were startled. We do not allow people to

be startled in this library."

Library employees quickly notified Security about the unauthorized activity. Bergman said that Nichols was of no help.

"Randy was like, 'I don't know, Sherric. I don't think I've got time to look into that. Super Snack has been busy lately, and we're already sending undercover officers through Hawthorne-Longfellow to find individuals

who are on facebook.com in the library again,'" Bergman said.

Bergman then proceeded to meet with Assistant Director of Security Michael Brown, who led an investigation.

"I was initially skeptical that Mike would be more helpful. I entered in office and the place was just covered with pink snap bracelets everywhere. However, once I noticed that he only had pink bracelets, and the bracelets in the library were of all colors, I was confident that he was not the perp," she said.

Brown was initially suspicious that his supervisor might be involved.

"Before Randy came to Bowdoin [earlier this year], there wasn't a snap bracelet to be found on campus. I think they were last seen at Beta House in the 80s. I knew he kind of had a thing for 'em," Brown said.

Brown said that he secretly reviewed surveillance footage and

discovered that Nichols was indeed responsible. He immediately referred the case to President Barry Mills.

Mills confronted Nichols. Nichols, who is incapable of becoming physically agitated, appeared to be slightly annoyed. Mills said. Nichols noted that students routinely hand out free beer with little rebuke from the administration.

"I told him I would fully defend his right to express his safety views on this campus," Mills said. "And [I] said I will go to Pine Street Apartments this weekend and stand with him as he hands out snap bands next to the kegs. I'll stand there and protect his right to do that."

President Barry Mills

those same students could not go and insert beer into library books, he simply cannot use the library collection as his vehicle," Mills said.

Mills noted that Nichols broke the social code section that requires students to comply with college policy, the board said. According to the report, Nichols broke the policy on using college property for unapproved public purposes.

"Nichols utilized the College's property for public purposes by disseminating information to the public because he wanted to help 'save their lives,'" Mills said.

Although Nichols is currently on

leave, sources said he likely will be removed from his position and placed on parking patrol.

He also will be ordered to pay back \$1,000 in restitution for the labor of student library employees who removed the snap bracelets.

"Yeah, it took me some time to remove them," said employee Kathy Rollings '06. "But now I've got this collection of like 300 snap bracelets."

Bergman said the library will continue to remove bracelets from books. Otherwise, the place would "go to hell."

"We would have safety-device warfare in the stacks," she said.

Nichols, who charged that Bergman essentially wants people "to get hurt," she said that the library's actions are independent of the personal views of its staff members.

"Each of us on the library staff hold our own beliefs," she said. "We never, ever mix those with the role of the library."

As for Nichols, he plans to make pilgrimage to the headquarters of Reflectix, Inc., makers of the snap bracelets.

He plans to re-evaluate his future while there, but he is sure that his plans will include a safety-awareness element.

## College Democrats, Republicans pledge to only use recycled political rhetoric

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bootstraps like this," said Vice Chairman of the Maine Republican Party Dan Schuberth '06.

Some critics have voiced concerns over whether or not the traditional rivals will be able to work together effectively.

"This is a long struggle, one that will test American resolve," said Zachary Linhart '08.

"But we will prevail. Our 'city on a hill' will persevere," he said.

"This will be a time of trial, during which campus partisans ought not to ask what political compromise can do for them, but what they can do for political compromise," said Chi.

"I have been to the mountaintop," Chi inexplicably added.

Still, the groups maintain that their organizations are up to the task.

"The College Republicans are a strong, unified organization, and will see this through to the end," said Schuberth.

"The College Democrats are a strong, unified organization, and will see this through to the end," said Chi.

"May God bless America," added Chi and Schuberth in unison.

## BOWDOIN STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEEKLY REPORT

by Orient Spy Cam  
WE'RE WATCHING YOU

•Attendance: 1/26. Absent: Shrinidi Mani '06, Carolyn Chu '07, Molly Dorkey '06, Will Donahoe '08, Dustin Brooks '08, Joe Brazzi '06, Ted Lyons '06, Kendall Brown '06, Catrina Cartagena '07, Allison Chin '07, Benjamin LeHay '08, Nathaniel Tavel '08, Andrew Edwards '09, Elizabeth Gillespie '09, Mindy Chism '06, Sam Dinning '09, Alexander Linhart '06, Sophia

Seifert '09, Eric Davis '07, Kristen Gunther '09, Emily Goodridge '08, Michael McClellan '08, Raymond Carta '08, Jacqueline Abrams '08, Mike Lobiondo '06.

•"Where the fuck is everybody?" asked BSG President DeRay Mckesson.

•BSG voted to name Mckesson president of all four classes and of the College. The resolution passed 1-0-25. Note: this was the first time Linhart did not oppose a resolution.

•Meeting adjourned.

## BOWDOIN BRIEFS

NEWS FROM BENEATH THE PINES

### Schuberth lambastes puppy

Secretary of the College Republican National Committee Dan Schuberth '06 upbraided a puppy yesterday, a Crier investigation has discovered.

One student walking his nine-week old Siberian Husky puppy said Schuberth approached him and started yelling in the cute, innocent dog's face.

"That jerk was claiming my new puppy was a mutt and not purebred, even though she is purebred," said the owner. "He just randomly got in the puppy's face and yelled, 'You think you're so cute, you think you're so cute, but you're just an ugly mutt you biotch!'"

The dog has since responded to the smell of donuts and Mongolian Beef with whimpering—both of which Schuberth was eating while verbally attacking the young canine.

"Dan Schuberth yelling at cute, little puppies is life. I think it's really important that we have a real and active and honest discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways," said Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay Mckesson '07.

### Poll: "R² + L" = "dumbest slogan ever," despite win

Eighty-eight percent of respondents in a Camp Bobo Crier/USA Today Gallup poll, agreed that the slogan for the mock congressional campaign for Antwan Phillips '06 "Real, Real, and Loud," was the dumbest they had ever heard. The poll surveyed 622 Bowdoin students and had a margin of error of +/- 3 percent.

"I just don't get it, who runs a campaign on being loud? It's so stupid. And what's with all this 'real' stuff?—sounds like he stole the idea from DeRay," said Frank Chi '07.

Seventy percent of respondents in the poll also said they thought the Ben Martens '06 campaign had an "unrealistic" platform.

The campaign sent out emails on voting day suggesting that Martens would not only work to prevent sexual violence on campus, but that he would have the power to single-handedly stop ALL of it.

"Mock congressional campaigns sucking is life. I think it's really important that we have a real and active and honest discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways," said Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay Mckesson '07.

### BCN viewership ratings reach an all-time high

The closed-circuit Bowdoin Cable Network (BCN) has reached a record-high in viewership this semester. According to the Drudge Report, an average of six people watched each of the station's movies.

"Oh my god, I loved it when BCN played '13 Going on 30,' that's just my favorite movie ever!" said Zachary Linhart '06. "I totally cried at the end."

Second in the ratings were boring Democrats commercials about racism, Iraq, and poverty, with an average of five people watching each.

Last in the ratings was the show HYPE, producer of the questionably funded HYPE magazine that focuses on gibberish, with an average of just three people watching each episode.

"No one watching BCN is life. I think it's really important that we have a real and active and honest discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways," said Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay Mckesson '07.

—Compiled by Your Mom.

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BOWDOIN COLLEGE  
DINING SERVICES

# Tide behind Cippel heist

by Outkast  
SO FRESH AND SO CLEAN

Josh Cippel's now famous run-in with a would-be robber earlier this year was all a public relations stunt orchestrated by Tide manufacturer Procter and Gamble (P&G), a Crier investigation has revealed.

Tide hired local resident Eric Tillotson to fake the robbery and paid Cippel to be the victim. Cippel was instructed to hit Tillotson in the face with a bottle of Tide to thwart the simulated attack.

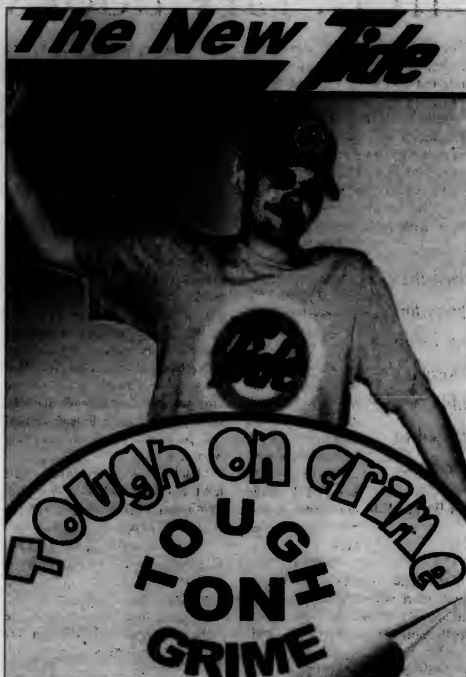
"He clocked me pretty good," Tillotson said. "I thought it was a little unnecessary since it wasn't real, you know?"

Cippel has since signed a multi-million-dollar endorsement deal with P&G. The deal includes print ads and a TV-spot with a re-actment starring actor Steve Buscemi as the assailant.

"We hope Cippel can do for Tide what that fat guy did for Subway," said Mitchell Sternbaum, director of communications for P&G.

Cippel's roommate, Kenny Loggins '08, knew something was fishy when he heard that the brand of detergent Cippel used to fend off the assailant was Tide.

"He's always been a Cheer man. I've never seen him use Tide before," said Loggins.



# College to replace professors with automated fact machines

by C3PO  
"HUMAN-CYBORG RELATIONS"

Under mounting pressure from campus conservatives, the College has announced that in order to ensure pedagogical neutrality, professors will be replaced with preprogrammed automations that will dispense information relevant to certain topics of study, rendering class curricula "impartial, if a tad incoherent," according to Dean for Academic Affairs Craig McEwen.

The decision to eliminate the College's current, sentient faculty in favor of the machines grew out of discussion among members of Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) concerning whether or not Bowdoin should adopt the Academic Bill of Rights, the brainchild of radical conservative activist David Horowitz.

Although BSG rejected a proposal to adopt the bill, it did recommend the formation of an "academic bias incident group."

"At first I thought that such a group

would do enormous harm to the freedom of expression in classrooms on campus," said McEwen. "Then I thought about it for a little while, and realized, hey, this idea may not be laughably stupid after all!"

With help from computer science professor Eric Chown and Bowdoin's RoboCup robotics team, McEwen directed the design and manufacture of 160 humanoid automations to replace the current faculty.

The automations, or "RoboProfs" as McEwen has tentatively dubbed them, will emit factual information on topics relevant to each class's curriculum in an electronic monotone akin to the speaking voice from the program SimpleText. Because any sort of predetermined sequencing of the information would represent subjective interpretation and violate the doctrine of neutrality, these emissions will be completely randomized.

"It will be extremely difficult for students to take notes on lectures," said McEwen, "But when we're talking

about preventing academic bias, we're talking about an ideal that deserves sacrifice."

BSG members were enthusiastic that the College administration finally took one of their recommendations seriously.

"In the past, when we've presented a recommendation to the administration, they've just patted us on the head and taped our proposal to the fridge," said Vice President of BSG Affairs Dustin Brooks '08.

"Fully automated surrogate professors are life," added BSG President Denny McKesson '07. "Academic bias is an important issue and it's important that we have a real and active discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways."

McEwen said that this initiative will bring Bowdoin one step closer to achieving a superior academic system.

"I can't believe I ever thought the BSG proposal was a waste of time," he said, "without first considering robots."

dents highlight about 10 percent of the text, 15 percent at most," Guo said. "It's not that she's a bad person. She just seriously crossed the line here."

Kommel said that because Chinese Foreign Policy was her first Asian Studies Class, she was unfamiliar with much of the material.

"I pretty much highlight everything that's new to me, which in this case was a lot," said Kommel.

Kommel admitted that in general her highlighting goes over the top, but that this had been the "worst case yet."

"I pretty much highlight everything that's new to me, which in this case was a lot."

Frances Kommel '09

"I think I've finally started to admit to myself that I need help," said Kommel. "I've had this problem since freshman year of high school."

Director of the Baldwin Learning and Teaching Center Elizabeth Barnhart said that Kommel's issue is a common problem for first-year students.

"It's nothing to be ashamed of," said Barnhart.

"More students go through this than most people might think."

Kommel's roommates recognized the problem early in the

# Nichols teaches student important safety lesson

Director of Security strikes student with Saferide van for failing to wear snap band

by Jack Bauer  
BAD ASS

Director of Safety and Security Randy Nichols is serious about pedestrian safety.

But some on campus say his seriousness crossed the line Thursday when he rammed his car into a student crossing Maine Street without a snap band. The student, Matthew Cleavage '07, is in critical condition at Parkview Hospital.

Nichols told the Crier that he ran over the student to demonstrate the importance of wearing the reflective bands.

"The student wasn't wearing a snap band. So I plowed him over," he said. "Let this serve as a lesson to the student body."

"It's vital that students realize that if they do not wear their snap bands, they will get hit by a car," he said.

During the Crier's interview with Nichols, John Wyden '07—who

claimed to be a classmate fond of Cleavage—interrupted to express his displeasure with Nichols.

"If Tommy wasn't wearing a snap band, you didn't need to run him over!" Wyden said. "You should have just stopped to give him some help!"

"I gave him some help!" Nichols replied.

"That kid got what was coming to him," he continued. "I mean, I like Cleavage as much as the next guy, but he deserved it."

Some bystanders faulted Nichols for not attempting CPR on the fallen student.

"I wasn't about to put my lips on Cleavage," said Nichols in response to the criticism. "That's just not something I do in public."

Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay McKesson supported Nichols's actions.

"Vehicular manslaughter is life," he said. "I think it's really important that we have a real and active and honest discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways."

# Hazlett to leave post, pursue career as ninja

by Leonardo and Rafael  
TURTLES IN A HALF SHELL

Honor, endurance, suffering, and respect. These are the words that all ninjas live by, and will soon be the words that Associate Dean of Student Affairs Margaret Hazlett will live by as well.

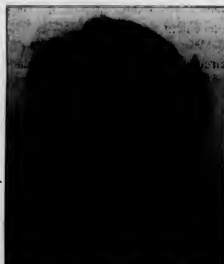
After years of dedicated service to Bowdoin College, Dean Hazlett plans to trade in her laptop and briefcase for a ninja sword and grappling hook as she travels to Japan to become a ninja.

For many, Hazlett's decision came as a surprise.

"I always knew Dean Hazlett to be a hardworking and dedicated dean," said colleague Dean of Student Affairs Craig Bradley. "However, I never knew she had the thirst for power and battle that drives all ninjas. I can only wish her well in her aspirations to learn the deadly art of the ninja."

For others, they saw subtle signs of change in Hazlett's behavior that displayed her dreams of the ninja life.

"Probably the first hint was when she karate-chopped Ginette for eating her sandwich out of the group



Associate Dean of Student Affairs and future ninja Margaret Hazlett will terrorize co-workers no longer.

fridge. Everyone just laughed it off. Except Ginette, who was unconscious," said administrative assistant Beth Levesque. "But when she cut that computer in half with a sword because it froze—that was when I knew."

According to sources, Hazlett plans to don her ninja gear at the end of the academic year. She then plans to travel to the mountains of Japan, where she will search out a ninja clan to join.

She will then begin her training to reach enlightenment, the "holy grail" for ninjas. Hazlett also plans to become a master of the ninja sword, the ninja star, and ninja stick.

After training, Hazlett hopes to raid through rural Japan with her ninja brethren, pillaging villages and kicking ass.

Bowdoin Student Government President DeRay McKesson '07 said that he will miss Hazlett's presence around campus.

"Faculty leaving to become ninjas is life. I think it's really important that we have a real and active discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways," he said.

In an interview with the Crier, Hazlett said that while she will miss Bowdoin, she looks forward to her new career path.

"I'm living the dream," she said.

# Student highlights way too much text

by Screech Powers  
I LOVE YOU, LISA

First-year Frances Kommel attempted to synthesize her reading notes in preparation for an exam this week, only to realize that she had highlighted nearly 60 percent of her assigned reading, rendering efforts to distinguish important passages utterly futile.

"At the time, it seemed that everything I was reading was important or at least had the potential to show up on the final," Kommel said.

Kommel's highlighting offense was for her Chinese Foreign Policy class with Assistant Professor of Government and Asian Studies Lance Guo.

"I usually recommend that stu-



## Mills's 'pants-free policy' frustrates, infuriates top college administrators

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just did it on Fridays. But this is just getting ridiculous," said McEwen.

In an interview with the Crier, Mills said his recent interest in nudity came about after attending an informal social gathering at Smith House earlier this academic year. The house's subtle and cleverly named 'Naked Party' triggered memories of his earlier days at the College.

"When Barry's Board of Trustees days were over, I thought his naked days were over, too," McEwen said.

Bradley and McEwen told the Crier that renaming their weekly senior staff meeting "The Pants Party" was unsuccessful.

"That jerk still showed up in his drawers," Bradley said.

Leaving Bowdoin was not enough for Bradley.

"I figured my only option was to flee the country," he said.

Bradley noted that his new organization's leader, spiritual leader Aga Khan IV, typically wears pants.

Mills decried his colleagues' lack of tolerance.

"Sure they talk a good game," Mills said, "but when push comes to shove and the pants come off, where are they? They discriminate."

Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay McKesson '07 defended Mills's behavior, saying that attendance at Mills's office hours in the union has more than tripled since he decided that "pants-free is the way to be."

"Nudity is life," he said.

"I think it's really important that we have a real and active and honest discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways," McKesson said.

## Student body "key market" for local organic farmers, alcohol merchants

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pate in the panel, but they declined after discovering that the meetings conflicted with the "O.C."

Still, some members of the community are worried that divesting from the student body would have a more negative economic impact than many people think.

"Bowdoin students are a key market for local organic growers, North Face retailers, and alcohol merchants," said economics professor David Vail.

"If you eliminate the student body from the College, you would

see businesses like Wild Oats Bakery and Uncle Tom's Market go right in the tank," he said.

The Crier had difficulty finding students to interview because this article was reported before noon on a weekday. The one student who was awake, BSG President DeRay McKesson '07, was surprisingly supportive of divestment.

"Divestment from the student body is life," he said. "I think that it's really important that we have a real and active and honest discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways."

## Res Life to alleviate housing crunch with thatched huts

SHANTYTOWN, from page 1

join the "crunchy granola" kids in the thatched huts. They will be charged the standard rate of \$4,000 for housing, according to the Bursar of the College. The decision to charge the normal rate to shack students was easy, according to Pacelli.

"We didn't feel it was fair to charge students living in one type of housing more than students living in another type of housing. Each type of housing has advantages and disadvantages—and the PPAs are no different," she said.

"I guess that the PPAs are a little different though since they don't have plumbing," Pacelli added sheepishly. "But their proximity to academic buildings is a definite plus."

According to Borkowski, three Port-a-John mobile bathrooms will be placed near the Walker Art Building.

"That should really be sufficient for the students," he said. "I mean, the contractors working on refurbishing Walker never complained."

Although not swathing students in luxury, the huts will meet all municipal regulations.

"They are going to be temporary structures, but they are going to meet code," Borkowski said.

"We looked at shantytowns from around the world and concluded that cheap corrugated tin would work well, but that idea was vetoed by Pacelli on aesthetic grounds. Thatch seemed like the next best option," he said.

After hearing about the new housing, Students for a Sustainable Bowdoin filed a petition with the Board of Trustees claiming that the PPAs were environmentally



Jabba the Hutt, Tatooinc

Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli suspects that the temporary shantytown on the Quad will spark campus unity, rounds of kumbaya, and s'mores.

unfriendly. "These structures have not been LEED certified and we are outraged," yelled Ruth Morrison '07,

fuck? These shacks are made of thatch, dirt, and water, and have no electric power, running water, or plumbing. How could they be more environmentally friendly?"

Student reaction to the shantytown has been mixed.

When asked about the PPAs, a student at Super Snack vomited. It was unclear whether this was a reaction to the mud huts or the result of alcohol.

"The shantytown is life," said Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) President DeRay McKesson '07.

"I think it's really important that we have a real and active and honest discussion about it, because it's a very real issue that affects students in very real ways," McKesson said.

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Director of Residential Life Kim Pacelli

referring to a standard by which new constructions are classified as "green."

When asked about the lack of LEED certification, Vice President for Finance and Treasurer S. Catherine Longley said, "What the

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## Alum Markets Flags to Middle East



by A. Ukelele  
ORIENT WRITER #24043

It all started with dead bird and a delayed flight. As Pakistan International Airlines flight 391 taxied away from Terminal B at Karachi International Airport, a bird was sucked into one of its engines. The flight, supposed to depart at 8 a.m., was delayed for seven hours. Passenger Waldo

'Buck' Johnson '86, on his way to New York City, decided to take a walk in Pakistan's capital city and see the sites. Perusing locally made trinkets, he was interrupted by a man frantically trying to find something in the store and repeating some Arabic phrase.

The man approached Johnson and asked him a question with great urgency.

"I don't speak Arabic," Johnson

responded, perplexed.

The man pulled a small American flag out of his pocket and made hand gestures indicating he wanted a larger version.

"You want a flag?" Johnson asked, surprised.

"Yes yes, big flag, blue, red, white," the man replied.

Apologizing, Johnson told the man that he did not have a full-size flag on him.

On the long plane ride back

home to New York, Johnson relayed the story of his encounter.

"There's really a gap between supply and demand when it comes to flags in Karachi," a businessman sitting next to him responded, chuckling.

Always an entrepreneur at heart, Johnson thought there might be a profit to be made from selling flags in Karachi. International Flag

Please see **FLAGS**, page 6

Waldo 'Buck' Johnson '86 has made a fortune selling flags to the Arab world. Tapping into a previously unfulfilled pro-U.S. and pro-Zionist sentiment that runs strong from Tehran to Tripoli, Johnson sells thousands of full-sized American and Israeli flags every month. Recently, as support for the U.S. and Israel has grown, Johnson has started to sell effigies of George W. Bush and Ariel Sharon for people to keep in their homes as a sign they support the foreign policy stances of the two countries.

## Dr. McDreamy: Herpes is the gift that never stops giving

### Ask Dr. McDreamy

Patrick Dempsey, T.V.M.D.  
Dudley Coe Health Center  
dempsey@bowdoin.edu

Dear Dr. McDreamy,

I was planning on having a lot of unprotected sex during finals week, especially with people I don't know.

Should I be worried about unwanted pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections (STIs), or will I be okay? I've been hearing a lot about herpes. Is it a good or bad thing because it sounds like fun? I want to have fun but be safe doing it!

—B.M. '06



Hiya there, B.M.

Thank you for your letter. I think you addressed many important points that are sure to be on many students' minds as the school year ends, especially for idiots like you.

A recent study has shown that mixing beer, hard booze, cocaine, marijuana, over the counter allergy medications, prescription pain

and/or cholesterol medications, M&M's, Adderall, heroin, glue fumes, crack, and heavy water may lead to an unfavorable state of mind that could cause some to engage in unprotected sex that could lead to the contraction of HPV, an acronym for a disease that sucks to have, let me tell you from experience.

Finally, I would like to congratulate our graduating seniors. It truly has been a

pleasure running your STI piss tests and prescribing various types of ointments for anal warts and gonorrhea over these past four years. In speaking to the senior men I must, however, quote the great Aristotle in saying "don't be a fool...wrap your tool."

Senior week may come and go, but herpes stays forever...And remember, at your first reunion it might seem bad realizing you are the only one in your class that hasn't found a job yet, but it's even more fucked up finding out that you are a father.

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Be well!  
Dr. McDreamy, T.V.M.D.



While no method of protection is perfect, condoms provide a solid defense against sexually transmitted infections.

## Alum sells American, Israeli flags to Arab world

FLAGS, from page 5

Import Corporation (IFIC) was born.

From the age of 10, when he sold his diabetic grandmother's extra needles for a few cents to the thousands of "diabetics" who lived on the street in Brooklyn, Johnson had a knack for finding successful business ideas.

Basing his business strategy solely on what he learned in Economics 101 at Bowdoin, Johnson bought 500 American flags in bulk and sent them to a friend in Karachi.

"I asked him to try to sell some to gauge interest," Johnson told the Crier in an interview. "My friend, he called me a few hours later—in the middle of the night New York time—and told me he had sold all 500 flags."

Johnson knew then and there he had stumbled upon a huge unfulfilled demand.

"I got this feeling that IFIC was going to be big. Real big," he said.

Utilizing the burgeoning capabilities of the internet, Johnson opened a web store. In conjunction with

toll-free numbers in Iran, Libya, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE, IFIC grew rapidly.

To Johnson's great surprise, IFIC's sales have been lackluster in certain countries such as Jordan.

"I thought there would be a huge demand for American and Israeli flags in Amman," Johnson said. "I mean, Jordan has diplomatic relations with Israel and has a strong connection to the United States. I would have thought my sales would have been strongest there."

IFIC has not sold a single effigy of either Bush or Sharon to any Jordanian customers.

"Part of what makes IFIC so successful is the loyalty of our customers," Johnson said. "So many of them come back to buy second, third, and fourth American flags. I just wish that people in the U.S. were so patriotic."

"We also deeply value the feedback of our customers," Johnson said, noting that IFIC recently incorporated a new gift package product.

"Our new line of gift baskets includes all the essentials needed for a patriotic backyard BBQ. We

include the American flag (or Israeli flag), a lighter, some lighter fluid for the grill and a metal pole," Johnson said.

"I think tetherball is really getting to be popular in the Middle East, which explains why our customers would want a pole," he added.

Although a largely successful international businessman, Bowdoin has, inexplicably, cut ties with Johnson.

"The College no longer recognizes Buck Johnson '86 as an alumnus of this institution" the College spokesman said in statement.

"I'm really perplexed," Johnson said. "I've crafted a business that has allowed thousands of people around the world to express their support of the United States—the leading force for democracy—and for Israel—the only democracy in the Middle East."

Johnson is sorry that the College has cut off relations with him but remains passionate about IFIC's mission.

"I will continue to provide an outlet for people to express their love of freedom—their love of liberty," he said.



An effigy of President George W. Bush sold by IFIC which, according to Johnson, "allows people all over the world to show their support for the President and his bold policies to bring freedom and liberty to the world."

# Wierd Shit happens every day

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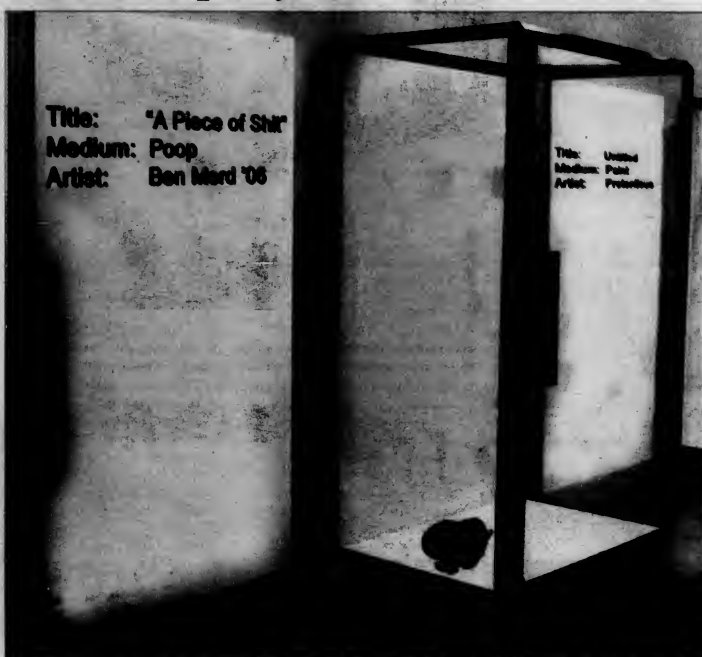
# Tell the Orient How it Feels....



# PRETENSION FOR HIPSTERS

## Artist presents 'Piece of Shit' honors project, receives 'A'

## Play makes audience feel confused, cultured



Courtesy of Ben Merd '06

Merd's project, which somehow took him the entire semester, has been lauded as "shitty" by many observers. "The piece is extraordinarily vivid," said one onlooker before vomiting in a nearby garbage can.

### Senior Shit-Shows

First (and hopefully last)  
in a series

by Mr. Hanky  
CHRISTMAS POO

Over the course of the semester, a number of seniors have presented art exhibitions. This week, the Camp BoBo Crier sat down with Ben Merd '06, whose fecally inspired art recently won high honors from the Department of Visual Arts.

**Camp BoBo Crier:** Describe your senior art project. What inspired it, and how did you execute it?

**Ben Merd:** For lack of a better term, it's a piece of shit. I like to think of it as progressive art, something along the lines of the controversial pieces that showed in New York galleries a few years ago—remember that crucifix placed in a jar of urine? Think like that, except No. 2 and minus the crucifix. I first got the idea when I overheard someone say, "Wow, what a piece of shit," to an oil paint and charcoal piece that I did. At first, I was a little hurt, but then I realized that obviously she had no concept of art and couldn't make a judgment on my painting like that. Still, I figured I'd give her what she asked for.

**CBC:** What were your goals for the project? Did you meet those goals? Did they change during the process?

**BM:** My primary goal was to show my innovative artistic ability in working with a new medium,

and that evolved into showing the diversity that's present in shit. If you follow dogs around for long enough, you find that shit varies by breed, color, size, and a lot of other factors that I decided against exploring, for obvious reasons. Honestly, though, I think a lot of it depends on food. It's not all dog shit, don't worry, but if people are able to see the variety that I found with this new medium, I'll feel like I met my goals.

**CBC:** Why did you choose the medium you did? What aspects of your artistic medium do you enjoy that aren't achievable through other media?

**BM:** My first reason for choosing the medium was because of that onlooker's comment, as I already stated, but once I really started to get my hands in it and get some dirt under my fingernails, I found that shit has a lot to offer in terms of artistic expression. It's not something many other people, especially artists at Bowdoin, have thought of, so I really enjoyed having a clean slate to work with. Everyone's done stuff with paint, but how many people have filled a display with shit and seen the potential under it all?

**CBC:** What do you want people to take away from viewing your project?

**BM:** I hope that people will be able to realize that though something might seem like a piece of shit at first glance, if you stick around long enough, you start to see the art in it. Just don't complain about the flies or the smell, since it's part of the whole viewing experience. People need to broaden their artistic horizons, and this shit project makes me feel like I'm doing my part in that.

Merd's exhibition, "Does Your Dog Eat Purina?" will be on display outside the VAC bathroom until everyone gets dysentery and the Maine Department of Health officially declares it a health hazard.

by Frasier Crane  
PROBABLY UNDERSTOOD IT

An original play presented by the Department of Theater and Dance, "La Vie Banane" premiered last night in Pickard Theater, bringing culture and confusion to all in attendance. Both the performers and the audience members agreed that the play achieved its objective of making the production inaccessible enough that it gave an ego boost to those who saw it.

"I think the banana-related symbolism, in itself, says a lot," said Patrick McClain '08. "That's what it was about, right? It was about a banana? Yeah. The banana was deep."

When asked exactly what he felt the banana symbolized, McClain replied, "What? Well, I mean, bananas are kind of phallic. Maybe had something to do with that. I don't think that it was supposed to be just one thing. That defeats the universality of the play. Obviously."

McClain and several other audience members left Pickard to drink Chai tea, smoke clove cigarettes, and further discuss existentialist commentary in "La Vie Banane." Most of the discussion, however, centered on trying to figure out what the hell just happened with-

out having to admit their confusion to anyone not in attendance.

The performers highlighted the inaccessibility of the play as a major plus in their production. "Everything about it makes you think," said Laurent Roberts '07. "It's supposed to put you outside your comfort zone and realize

where you could be more open."

"What was the plot? Don't worry about it. Plot wasn't a major focus for us," Roberts continued. "I see the plot as an obstacle to getting the bigger picture, and I think our audience feels the same way."

The absence of coherence within the play somewhat baffled Jenny Carlin '08. "It was

very...nontraditional," said Carlin, pausing as she searched for a word. "Actually, forget that. It was weird. I didn't get it."

Performers and audience members reacted to Carlin's comments by heckling her as intellectually "stumpy."

"Stick to Comedy Central, you gleeking, fool-born clotpole."

Carlin may be in the minority of those who saw the play and didn't prefer her shallow superiority to admitting that the play was way too confusing for anyone to understand. In a final act of defiance, she said, "I don't even like Chai tea anyway."

"I think the banana-related symbolism, in itself, says a lot.

That's what it was about, right? It was about a banana?

Yeah. The banana was deep."

Patrick McClain  
Confused Theatergoer



Some Asshole in a Turtleneck for the Camp BoBo Crier

The Department of Theater and Dance's most recent production, "La Vie Banane," though incomprehensible to you or I, has been described as "brilliant" and "masterful" by smarter people.

# Barq's might have bite, but moonshine will change your life

by Luke  
Wilson  
BLACKED OUT

Today's taste test pits two brews against each other in a battle of wits (how fast you lose 'em) and a test of strength (measured by how hard you vomit after the first sip).

**MOONSHINE**—(\$20 for a 20-liter bottle that I bought while on a trip to Warrington, Pennsylvania, more if you get the turpentine-free version)

The second drink, which I tasted before the first but just remembered now, was Grade A, Wilkinson-made moonshine. After the first sip, I took off all my clothes and tried to make love to a tree. After being assaulted by a squirrel, I took another sip and promptly forgot my childhood. The third sip killed the little pixies that steal my thoughts as well as half of my brain cells, including the ones that were, apparently, potty-trained. I took another sip, saw Jesus's eyes, and then I

attempted to eat a chain-link fence. This drink not only made me lose my wits, but threw them away in a dumpster full of octopus sputum after ripping them up and setting them on fire.

I still forget what my parents look like. As for the vomiting, when I woke up, I vomited up three road signs, a baby rattle, the baby, a fully grown porpoise and three tiny little men who spoke Irish. I also found that I had impregnated a golf cart. This brew has changed my life.

(I forget what stars look like.)

**BARQ'S ROOT BEER**—(\$1.00 from most vendors, but free if you lick it off of the bathroom floor)

This was a dark, brilliant lager with a hint of sweetness. Its beautiful brown bottles and dark elixir of life brought me to edge of oblivion and back. Barq's, the fine brewers of this specialty concoction, have truly found heaven in a bottle.

Heaven happens to be somewhat opaque and little sticky, but there is nothing like it. After a hundred cases of this stuff, I found myself

jumping in tiny little circles trying to catch the little pixies that came from the fairy dust that was gleaming my thoughts from my brain. After a minor bout of severe paranoia, I, drunk as hell on sugar, climbed to the roof of Howell, urinated on passersby and chanted anti-elf slogans. When I was finally airlifted off the roof, I slipped and tum-

bled into a bed of soft pillows which carried me home. While on my sugar high, I seem to remember befriending Erik Tillotson after a lengthy, sensual foot-rub. I remember introducing him to my friends on the first floor of East Hall, but, oddly enough, he ended up feeling sexually harassed and he left. (A zillion out of four stars).



## WBOR 91.2 FM DJ OF THE WEEK



### Professor "\$Dolla Bill\$" Watterson

*What is the best album ever created?*

**DBW:** Normally I'd say Wagner's four-opera cycle "Der Ring des Nibelungen," but I guess it depends on the mood. I gotta go with 2pac's "All Eyez on Me." That is some bomb-ass shit.

*What is the best band to see live?*

**DBW:** Well, I'm usually too crunked at concerts to make an apt judgment as to the quality of the music, or even the identity of the performer, but I remember one time I took shrooms and saw Eminem rap about how he wanted to kill his wife. I was like "whoa, this is totally like when Claudius thought Hamlet killed his wife." Except Eminem was far more eloquent than the Bard. Holla Detroit!

*What song pumps you up?*

**DBW:** That song from "Office Space" by the Geto Boyz. The

one that's like, "Die, motherfuckers, die, motherfuckers, still fool!" Makes me think of 'Oedipus Rex.' That motherfucker got what his ass had comin'. Sophocles, what!

*What song brings you down?*

**DBW:** Weak-ass classical. Unless it's ma boy Wagner or maybe some early Beethoven.

*If you were the dictator of a small country, what would be your national anthem?*

**DBW:** "Money and Power" by Big Tymers. My dictatorial palace would make Camelot look like the Pyncheon Manor! What up, MTV Cribs?

*If you were onstage with a mic in front of thousand of screaming people, what would you say?*

**DBW:** "Anybody wanna get HIIIIIGH!?"

*Dolla Bill's show, "Gangsta Hip-Hop for the Shakespeare Aficianado," can be heard from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Fridays on WBOR 91.1 FM.*

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## Life-like, action-posed statues erected as tribute to fitness



Stuart Scott, ESPN

The inexplicably well-dressed statues, depicting James D. Baumberger and Evan S. Kohn racing the co-hosts of WBOR's "Listen!" Randy Nichols and Mike Brown were installed yesterday in the center of the parking lot outside Dudley Coe.

## We have a golf team?

by John Daly  
RECOVERING ALCOHOLIC

Thanks to the men's golf team's stellar performance in the NCAA Division III championship last year, the team's top four players have received an invitation to play in a celebrity tournament with Tiger Woods.

When news of the tournament bid reached current and prospective students, the response was, "Golf team? We have a golf team? Why the fuck didn't anyone tell me?"

Woods flew the players to his home in Orlando for the tournament and provided them all with caddies on his personal golf course. His wife, supermodel Elin Nordegren, massaged all the players after their rounds and joked with them about the scandal involving nude pictures of her on the Internet. When asked to provide more details about this special treatment, captain Brandon Malloy '07 was enraged that one of his team members divulged even that small amount of information and simply said, "What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas."

Though Malloy may be unhappy with the leaks from the tournament, his team has seen recruitments skyrocket since the team stepped off the plane from Orlando. Head Coach

Tomas Fortson hired three assistants to control the flood of letters, emails, phone calls, and overeager parents that want their sons to play with Woods. Tour guides are no longer questioned about the school's alcohol policy and why Hatch is the "quiet library." Instead, many demand meetings with Fortson, sometimes accompanied by death threats towards the smaller tour guides.

The tour guides, Malloy, and Fortson are not the only ones suffering from the team's new-found fame. After a mandatory screening of "Happy Gilmore," accompanied by two kegs and an unexplainable six-pack of Mike's Hard Lemonade, the men's hockey team decided to try its luck with Adam Sandler's golf swing. When the dust cleared outside Dayton Arena, several players had broken their clubs, their noses, and the windows of Dudley Coe Health Center.

The golf team should take a lesson from Michael Jackson—one day unknown, the next the King of Pop, and then suddenly sitting in a courtroom with a messed-up nose and trying to shake harassment charges. In other words, instant fame comes at a dangerous price, even if it does include a massage from a Swedish supermodel.

## Frisbee apparently wins tournament

"We did? No shit?" says  
wasted frisbee player

by Captain Hook  
NOT VERY GOOD AT FRISBEE

The Bowdoin Frisbee Team has been so hot that team members can no longer remember what it is like to lose. However, they apparently have also forgotten what it is like to win.

Bowdoin's disc team won all four of its matches in the eleven-team NESAC tournament this week. The Crier was able to catch the team late at the post-tournament team party.

Stoned Clown's first game last Tuesday pitted Bowdoin against Middlebury. Forward Sam Brisbee '06 caught six goals, or possibly touchdowns.

"I can't say I recall playing in that game," Brisbee said. "Maybe I was on the bench?"

On Wednesday, Stoned Clown handily defeated Colby and Bates.

"Oh man, I can't believe we beat Colby!" sophomore Zane Skid said. "Seriously, I don't believe that. Did we even play Colby?"

Yesterday Bowdoin squared off against Williams for the title. In a thrilling back-and-forth match, Stoned Clown came out on top by a score of 10-9. The team immediately got cracking on the three kegs waiting for the players in the MacMillan basement.

At the time of their interviews with the Crier, the team had been drinking for five full hours.

"Uhh," mumbled one team member who wouldn't or couldn't give his name.

Co-captain Dick Silver '06 offered his best analysis of the tournament.

"Who am I?" he said. "You know you are beautiful? I want to marry you. Where's the bathroom?"

## Rourke: first-class athlete, jerk

by Barry Bonds  
MODEL CITIZEN

Joe Rourke '07 isn't your typical scholar-athlete.

"Yeah, I consider myself more of an athlete," Rourke said.

Rourke, co-captain of the Bowdoin Men's Lacrosse Team and a member of this year's All-NESAC team, has led the team to weekly victories this season. His teammates say they appreciate the attackman's skills, but they do not really like him.

"I think he's kind of a prick," said midfielder Jason Guerremo '06.

When asked if there were any positive personality traits about Rourke, a group of teammates interviewed by the Crier said, "No, not really."

Rourke, who is majoring in women's studies, said that he is not sure what he wants to do after graduation.

"I used to think about consulting. They make a lot of money. But then a recruiter said that my C-average probably wouldn't be enough to get me a job like that," he said.

Assistant Professor of Government and Legal Studies Rob Lowe said that Rourke is usually not very inspired in the classroom. "He sleeps a lot in my Mass Media in American Politics class," he said. "If I saw him on the Quad, I probably wouldn't immediately recognize him."

"Yeah, and his last paper was pretty bad," Lowe said.

Coach Alex Connolly said that Rourke isn't a very vocal player.

"I wouldn't really say he leads by example, either," said Connolly.

"The other guys think he's kind of a ballhog."



God—he sees everything (especially stuff near and around churches)

JUNIOR Joe Rourke takes a piss on Bowdoin's chapel. Though an All-NESAC lacrosse player, teammates say he has no regard for others. He also gets bad grades.

### FOOTBALL

School	Big East	Overall
W L W L		
West Virginia	14 2	20 4
Louisville	14 2	19 5
Rutgers	10 6	17 7
South Florida	10 6	16 6
Pittsburgh	10 6	15 9
Connecticut	9 7	19 1
Cincinnati	8 6	19 2
Syracuse	4 12	16 6
BOWDOIN	0 16	0 24

### SCOREBOARD

Se 5/6 v. Pittsburgh L 69-0

### SCHEDULE

Se 5/13 at Louisville 1:00 P.M.

### CHESS

School	Ivy League (North)	Overall
W L W L		
Brown	30 5	50 10
BOWDOIN	25 10	39 18
Yale	22 13	25 29
Harvard	16 19	20 46
Dartmouth	11 14	20 37

### SCOREBOARD

M 5/8 at Harvard W Checkmate  
Tu 5/9 v. Yale L Resignation  
W 5/10 v. Dartmouth W Resignation  
Th 5/11 v. Dartmouth L Checkmate

### SCHEDULE

F 5/12 at Princeton 3:00 P.M.

Se 5/13 at Princeton 12:00 P.M.

- Compiled by BCN.

Source: the grapevine



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## BOWDOIN ORIENT

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### Smarter spooning

Camp Bobo prides itself not only as having an elite academic reputation, but also outstanding student services. Ranked No.1 in dining services by both the Colby Community College Review and Iranian News and World Report, Bobo is deservedly proud. However, such celebration for Dining Services' outstanding work should not deter from any continued improvement. Thus, we wholeheartedly and overzealously call for Thorne to reconsider its spoon placement.

Students at Camp Bobo work hard on their studies and appreciate many of the conveniences Dining Services offer around such demanding schedules. But it is simply unreasonable for students to have to venture beyond the fork/knife/tray apparatus to the cereal or soup regions in order to obtain their spoons. Some students with little time between classes have even had to resort to using their forks to eat cereal—occasionally resulting in calcium deficiencies due to their consequential inability to simultaneously scoop both milk and cereal with forks and/or knives.

In the Offer of the College, President Hyde said Camp Bobo should produce students who feel at home in all lands, but how homely is a place with inaccessibly placed spoons?

Something needs to change.

For just a drop-in-the-cereal-bowl addition to its budget, Dining Services could easily make a switch. Moving the spoons to the fork/knife/tray apparatus would facilitate student learning, diversify the student body, and help Bobo build America's future leaders. It might even fix the housing crunch, as well as bridge the partisan divide of political dialogue on campus.

We urge President Mills and the administration to consider this plan in a spirit consistent with President Joseph McKeen's call centuries ago for Camp Bobo to serve the common good.

*The editorial represents the majority view of The Camp Bobo Crier's editorial board. The editorial board is comprised of the members of Ace of Base.*

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### Orient...more like destroyient my life!!!!!!!!!!!!

To the Editors:

Fuck you.

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Bruce Kohorn, professor of Biology  
The Brothers Linhart '06 and '07  
Alex Paul '06

Southern New Hampshire University  
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Bowdoin Student Government

Students Embracing Disabilities  
Will "Misinformed" Gilchrist '06

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Brian Dunn '05  
Barry Mills

Bowdoin College Democrats  
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### No housing crunch, helio-centric system

To the Editors:

I am writing in response to the blatant lie that was published in boldface text on the front page of the Crier last week about the alleged housing crunch. Let me make myself clear: There is no shortage in housing. In fact, the College has so much extra room that we are planning on offering housing to coop-less chickens next year by transforming newly renovated Hyde and Appleton Halls into chicken-petting zoos.

Lies about a housing crunch are

not the only falsities circulating around campus. As I was walking across the Quad yesterday, I overheard a couple students talking about how the planets in our solar system revolve around the sun. I was appalled, but then it happened again later in the library later! I heard students whispering about a sun-centered solar system. I could not believe that Bowdoin students would be so uninformed as to deny the geocentric nature of our solar system.

Students, do not be so quick to believe everything you hear.

Sincerely,  
Barry Mills  
President

### Overheard phone call was a delight

To the Editor:

I am writing to say how much I enjoyed listening to your cell-phone conversation while I was doing work on the comfy chairs on the first floor of the Hawthorne-Longfellow Library. How fascinating it was to hear what's up with you—surprised as I was to learn the answer was "nothing, just studying for stat"—and I especially enjoyed learning that your girlfriend is once again pissed at her roommate. I'm sorry that you did not enjoy dinner. I wouldn't worry if I were you, since there's always tomorrow night!

Librarians always say that libraries are full of little treasures, and your conversation was one of them. Thank you for inviting me to delay my reading with your enlightening discussion. Please do it again when I'm in the library studying for finals next week!

Sincerely,  
Maureen Mencher '08

### Seamen bring life to midcoast

To the Editors:

It has been a long time since I first allowed my gifts to thrust into Bowdoin's warm and inviting community, and yet, there is something that saddens and puzzles me. That is the closing of the Brunswick Naval Air Station and its future effect on the Bowdoin community. I feel that a life without seamen is no life at all. Often, I find seamen to be warm, spunky, and innovative. In fact, I'm sure that not many of you know this, but these enterprising young boys have started many new businesses on the base including a salon. Personally, I like being able to tell people that there's a little bit of seamen in my hair. But, I digress. We must not let the seamen get sucked out of the nether regions of our fair city!

Sincerely,  
Peter Popper Cherry Pecker '79  
Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees

### Divestment is not enough; deploy students

To the Editors:

I applaud the action that the College has taken so far in dealing with the situation in Darfur. The creation of an advisory committee was a great step, but I am afraid it isn't quite enough.

If we are really serious about ending the violence that is occurring in Darfur, we should do nothing less than deploy Bowdoin students to Sudan. Imagine how enlightened the janjaweed will be by Bowdoin students' understanding of the common good.

Sincerely,  
Mike Pollard '07  
Joseph Phillips, assistant professor of government

## BIRD SBEAK

How are you going to protect yourself from the Avian flu?



Rupert

"Lots of vitamin seed."



Willy Woodpecker

"Be careful where I put my pecker."



Duck Steele

"Plenty of flewids."

Drew Pictures, The Camp Bobo Crier

# United in Opposition to THE GREEN SHIT ON THE QUAD

We, the undersigned, stand in firm opposition to the application of green shit to the otherwise beautiful Bowdoin Quad. We do not understand the necessity of its application and wish the Quad would just be left the fuck alone.

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# WHATS GOING ON?

## Doce Mayo-Dieciocho Mayo

### Friday

**Wake Up**  
Get outta bed,  
you lazy bumb

**The BoBo Crier  
comes out**  
Read it on the toliet.  
Your bathroom

**Common Hour**  
Dick Pound will give a  
lecture on why he  
doesn't go by "Richard."  
12:30 -1:30 pm

**The Water Project**  
An encore presentation.  
Relive the magic. Relive  
the confusion. Relive  
leaving after 10 minutes.  
Pickard Theater,  
8-10 p.m.



Drew Pictures, National Geographic

The Big Bird having some wholesome fun in the Platinum Plus Club of Portland last weekend.

### Saturday

**Japanese Language Dining Table**  
Show up and just keep saying  
"Konichiwa" over and over.  
5:30 p.m., Thorne Hall

**Foam PartAy**  
First-years interested in STIs only please.  
Dudley Coe Quad. Just climb over the  
construction fence. 11:00 p.m.

### Monday

**Finals Begin**  
Well, shit.....  
Everywhere!

**Snoop Doggy Dog Concert**  
Join Snoop for an early finals study break.  
6th Floor, Stacks

### Tuesday

**Take a shower**  
You haven't for like four days. Don't forget to  
shave. And do your laundry. God, you're a  
fucking mess.  
Your bathroom.  
Any time. Just do it.

**Maybe the sun will come out!**  
...But it's more likely that it will keep  
raining. Hey, at least it's not finals week!  
New England, since last Tuesday

### Wednesday

**Go to the Pub**  
It might be open.  
10:00 p.m., Pub

**Meditation**  
You'll probably just fall asleep.  
Sills Hall, Peucinian Room

### Thursday

**China in the Era of Globalization**  
A class on how to make dumplings.  
Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union  
1-3 p.m.

**Forum on the Papaya Trade**  
Come discuss your heart-felt views on this  
controversial topic. Led by DeRay  
Mckesson 07.  
Lancaster Lounge, Moulton Union

### Sunday

**Sunday?**  
Didn't notice we skipped it, did you?  
Try to keep up.  
Johnson House, 12:01 a.m.

**Jai lai**  
Jackass-style. With Oranges. Another impor-  
tant event sponsored by BSG.  
Morrell Gym, 6 p.m.